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PROFILE

Self taught Programming, Computer Maintenance and Networking as an adolescent, I attended multiple evening IT College courses whilst in High School, and worked part-time as a Software Developer whilst attending College. I Studied Computer Science and Games Programming to degree level as a mature student, earning the responsibility of Student Representative and doing paid work for the University Computing department. After University I developed multiple successful titles for Amazon Kindle eReaders, and worked as the senior developer for a popular Social Mobile Game.

SKILLS

Programming: C++, C#, Java, JavaScript, AS3, Python, DirectX, HLSL, Unity, VB6

Operating Systems: Arch, Debian, Kali, Tails, Ubuntu, Windows 2000 & Server 2012

Web Technologies: LAMP, HTML, JS, PHP, Joomla, Softaculous, WordPress

Office Software: Microsoft Access, Excel, Word, Visio and Project

Hardware: Installation, Setup and Diagnostics

EDUCATION

- Sandown High School, 1999 to 2002 -

**8 GCSEs** including Science, Maths and English

**GNVQ** in Business Studies

- Isle of Wight College, BTEC Level 3 IT Practitioners, 2002 to 2004 -

**Distinction:** Introduction to Software Development, Application Software Development

**Merit:** Visual Programming

**Pass:** System Justification, Business Information Systems, Human Computer Interface

- Huddersfield University, BSc Computer Games Programming, 2008 to 2011 -

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| **First Year Modules**  Computer Games Studio  Entertainment Systems Technology  Computer Science & Maths  Modelling & Prototyping  Writing Software  Hardware & Networks | **Second Year Modules**  Computer Games Studio  Object Oriented Systems Development  Computational Mathematics  Algorithms, Processes & Data  Team Project |

WORK EXPERIENCE

- David L. Watson, Database Developer, 2003 -

With a colleague from College, developed an Access Database with VB6 front end to replace an existing paper based auditing system for a Computer Forensics and Data Recovery company.

- Solar South, Support and Telesales, 2006 -

Met weekly targets in a high pressure environment, providing support to existing customers as well as generating new customers.

- Island Harbor, Barperson, 2007 -

Demonstrated excellent customer service skills, maintaining bar stock levels, cash handling and telephone enquiries. Strong team player in a busy environment, always willing to help out in other areas of the bistro when needed including event organisation, sous chef and waiting. In the short time that I worked here, my hard work earned me an offer of promotion to Bar Manager.

- Frontline Cleaning, Domestic Assistant, 2008 to 2009 -

Worked in a children's nursery after-hours doing domestic level cleaning. I was responsible for maintaining the stock levels and ensuring the nursery was cleaned to a high standard.

- Oak Systems, Software Developer, 2012 to 2014 -

Worked in a small team developing computer games. Initially for the Amazon Kindle eReader in which several of our titles dominated the charts. After support for the eReader apps was discontinued by Amazon we moved into mobile development, first natively for Android and later Adobe AIR for Android and iOS. I worked as the lead developer porting Odd Socks from Desktop to Mobile.

- Kingswood Activity Center, Domestic Assistant, 2015 -

Worked with a large team at a busy activity center, cleaning the accommodation and facilities. Demonstrated the ability to maintain a high standard with a strict deadline.

- MonkeyPants Studio, Software Developer, 2015 to 2016 -

Developed websites and provided computer installation and maintenance to local clients. Collaborated online developing several games, and wrote open source scripts and software.

HOBBIES

I am an avid technophile and PC gamer. I love tinkering with electronics, devices and software. Through my interest in technology and robotics I have developed a fondness for Japan and enjoy watching Japanese cinema and Anime, and have taken up learning Japanese as a second language.

I like to keep fit so cycling is my primary mode of transport, living on an Island I enjoy the benefits of quiet countryside roads and cliff-side paths.

REFERENCES

**Employer Reference:** Mr. Dave Walker, Managing Director at Oak Games.

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