



**Module 1.a –Decision-Making**

**ASSIGNMENT**

**After all these readings, I want you to answer the following corresponding questions:**

- 1. Based on your experience, when you are working on a team project, do you make the most decisions, or do you prefer to step and follow someone else's guidelines? Please expound your answer.**

When I was a high school student, I was always appointed as a group leader in any certain projects, that's why I built a strong sense of responsibility, leadership, and initiative skills. Hence, I always make the most decisions in any team project, because I already know how to handle a team as well as understand the essential steps on how to come up with wise decisions. As a matter of fact, I make the decision because I am confident that I have the expertise to have organized and well-established decisions, it's not because I am better compared to my groupmates. Moreover, as a decision maker, I never make a decision that is centered around my ideas, but I practiced to not limit myself to hear the suggestion of others to see a wide range of ideas. In fact, it's like I give my ideas and suggestions first to the team in order to provide a clear point of view of mine, and eventually I offer the line of communication to my group members, so that they can share their opinions and comments. As a result, I can figure out the best and viable approach or answer based on our collaborative ideas in order to provide a better outcome.

- 2. Describe a time you made an unpopular decision. How did you handle the feedback? Would you do anything differently?**

For my situation, the time that I made an unpopular decision is when I decided to transfer to BISCAST from my previous institution. In particular, my family and friends thought that staying in my previous school was better and convenient, since I have an institutional scholarship and I will graduate on time. However, I think that it is much better if I prioritize my learning process and in-depth understanding in my course rather than the positive effects in staying. Actually, I handled their feedback by carefully explaining to them the positive impacts that I will gain if I transfer to this institution. I said to them that BISCAST offers free tuition, so tuition fee is not a problem. Moreover, even though I will add a year in my college time, it is okay, since life is not a race. I know that in such a time, I will also reach the finish line. Furthermore, in terms of board exams, BISCAST is much higher compared to the rating of my former school, so I am more confident that I will learn the foundation of engineering with great results. Therefore, I will not do anything

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differently, since I proved to them that it's worth transferring, and in fact, I am correct that this institution offers excellent educational systems.

**3. Between an expensive but popular tool or a cheaper, less-feature heavy one, which would you choose and how?**

As I grew up, I learned that buying an expensive but popular tool is a good choice, rather than investing in a cheaper, less-feature heavy one, because I value the functionality of a product more than its cost. In fact, I know that expensive ones will bring me long term benefits, less cost in the long run, and give me better results. In terms of long term benefits, I feel that even though I will have a high cash outflow now, I know that expensive tools will last longer and will save my future money in expense for maintenance, since they have advanced features and automation capabilities, not like less-feature products that needs upgrade, repair, and parts replacement as well as have low economic life. Moreover, since expensive products offer complete features, I will complete my tasks quickly, saving my time, and at the same time have high quality results.

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