Build a quality career

With Ben Dowen, the Full Snack Tester



Ben Dowen

The Full Snack Tester

- Lead Quality Engineer
- Multiple roles over 12+ year career
- Deep technical background
- Focus on human collaboration



Who is this talk for?

- Anyone looking to grow
- Considering a career move
- Trying to get a promotion
- Have impact to share at pay review



Build a quality career

Find your why

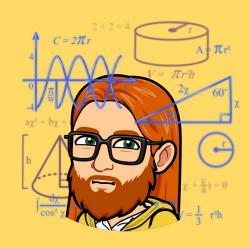
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Collect impact stories



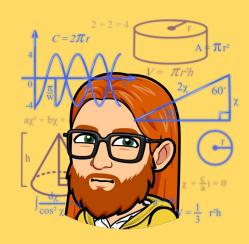
Find your Why

- What do you love?
- End goal? Think big!
- How might you get there?



Find your Why: Whats next?

- Who does it already?
- Gap analysis
- Share your why

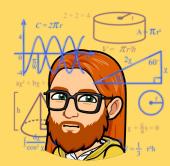


Learn more

Ministry of Testing: Members who are open to mentor

Millan Kaul and Rahul Parwal: All QA Testing Roles

Ben Dowen: When is a Tester not a Tester?



Build transferable skills

- Build technical skills
- Build testing skills
- Build people skills



Build transferable skills: Whats next?

- Make your skills and journey visible
- Make skills transferable
- Update your CV! (don't be me!)



Learn more

Angie Jones:

10 Portfolio Projects for Automation Engineers

Ima-Abasi Effiong:

How to contribute to open source projects as a software tester

James Thomas:

Door Not Mouth (Getting into a testing career)



Collect impact stories

- Impact to who
- What did YOU do
- Describe the outcome



Collect impact stories: Whats next?

- Write it down!
- Identify the next impact
- Use for reviews and interviews



Learn more

Callum Akehurst-Ryan:

Career progression in testing: the awesome power of influence

Julia Evans:

Get your work recognized: write a brag document

Dan Ashby:

Checkout Dan's blog - impact related post coming soon



Summary

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Thank you!

Connect on socials

Read my blog

Watch me at TestBash!



Slides and links

TODO: QR Code to slides/links, once uploaded

