Plan to practice

Suddenly this whole plan made me feel so sad about realizing my dream, like I betrayed it for a petty ransom. But I’m dying here, bloke! I have to move out.

# Phase 1: Focusing on Work Applications (Deadline: 31 Aug)

Works Application 🡪 End of August

* First choice because of its clear recruitment process + information I have at hand
* Recruitment are expanding, total income was great
* But I have a sense that this company will have massive lay-off in the future and working here won’t gave me as much credential as Paypal once I’m looking for the new jobs.
* The working hours can be devastating; it will hinder me on pursuing my personal dream.

## From 27/07 to 02/08

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| Overall | Each day |
| Study all basic search and sort algo:   * Selection rank algorithm * Bucket Sort * Shell Sort * Heapsort   Search thoroughly all possible interview questions of Work Apps:   * Solve all of 13 questions, search for optimize solution, remember their skeleton.   Try out additional review problems in **Cracking the Code Interview 5th Edition**:   * 3 hard (Pay attention on time you used)   Write resume: 2 day in weekend | 27/07 Solve Work Apps ques 1 |
| 28/07 Optimize code of Works Apps ques 1  Look for optimal solution Work Apps ques 1 🡪 study it.  Study Heapsort Algo |
| 29/07 Implement Heapsort Algo/  Do Works App ques 2, 3, 4  Look for Optimal solution of Works Apps ques 2, 3  Study all basic search and sort algo:   * Selection rank algorithm |
| 30/07 Find optimal solution for Works Apps ques 4  Do Works App ques 5, 6  Find optimal solution for Works Apps ques 5, 6  Implement Binary Search. |
| 31/07 Study all basic search and sort algo:   * Bucket Sort 🡪 cousin of Radix sort 🡪 dictionary. * Selection Rank Algorithm   Implement:   * Selection Rank Algorithm * Bucket   Try out additional review problems in **Cracking the Code Interview 5th Edition**: 7, 8, 9 |
| 01/08 Write resume.  Refer to “The Google Resume” and follow it strictly. |
| 02/08 Write resume.  Refer to “The Google Resume” and follow it strictly. |

## From 03/08 to 09/08

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| Overall | Each day |
| Clean up Cracking the Code Interview 5th Edition (read solution, comparing with my own solution, note down on paper):   * Data Structures - Tree and graph * Concepts and Algorithms   + Recursion and Dynamic Programing   + Sorting and Searching * Additional Review Problems:   + 18.4, 18.5, 18.6, 18.7 | 03/08 I will probably busy for this whole day, so things must be delayed. |
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## From 10/08 to 16/08

## From 17/08 to 23/08

## From 24/08 to 30/08

## From 31/08 until face-to-face interview

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| Online resource website:   * **Pay Special Attention for String + Dynamic Programing problems 🡪 Works App** |  |

# Phase 2: Targeting on others company

Once Work Apps has done their interview 🡪 immediately start on targeting Thoughtworks, Paypal and probably Flextrade. Need to Searching on Google, CareerCup, GeeksForGeeks for interview questions. *(don’t apply for crap companies, there is small chance they will be better than NCS)*

1. Paypal.
   1. Second choice because of its recent layoff and my lack of knowledge about its interview questions and processes.
   2. But I really like its US culture + reputation, very promising choice to create the base for my US move in the future.
   3. Salary package was better than Work Apps also
2. Thoughtwork 🡪 probably the earliest one:
   1. Lack of knowledge about this company, but it seems to be great 🡪 need more research about its office at Singapore
3. Flextrade??
   1. Very good salary package, but I have no knowledge about its interview questions + processes
   2. It’s a finance related company, not a tech company

Practice interview question:

1. <http://www.geeksforgeeks.org/about/interview-corner/>
   1. Common Interview Question corner
2. Career Cups:
3. Search for interview question from Paypal, Works App and Thoughtwork to practices:
   1. Paypal (get about 10 questions)
   2. Thoughtwork (get about 5 questions)