

LLOYD BLAKE

Senior QA Automation Engineer

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EXPERIENCE

Senior QA Automation Engineer

WonderBill

May 2021 – February 2022

- Cross-platform exploratory testing on web, Android & iOS.
- Created automated mobile & e2e tests using Detox/Cypress.
- Coordinated developers, BAs, Marketing to prevent defects early on.

Typescript Node React GraphQL React Native Yarn

Senior QA Engineer

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October 2018 – January 2021

- Created automated tests from scratch using Cypress.
- Tested end-to-end functional of trades & account creation.
- Became back-office SME by debugging/digging deeper into issues.

Angular React REST APIs Javascript Python Postman

Freelance Digital Marketing Executive

Purple Square Digital

June 2017 - October 2018

- Reduced CPC by 16% implementing proper account structure.
- Built SEO optimised WordPress Sites using competitive keywords.
- Increased site traffic through keyword research & A/B split testing.

Ahrefs KWFinder Keyword Planner Adwords PPC MS Office

Senior Technical Support Engineer

ServiceNow

September 2015 - September 2016

- Handled customer issues, raised change & enhancement requests.
- Investigated & resolved P1 incidents to reduce production instance down times.
- Liaised with EMEA & US tech support teams during incident management & resolution.

LDAP SSO Splunk SLA ITSM & ITIL Change Management

Senior Test Analyst

ServiceNow

May 2012 - September 2015

- Wrote automated tests for features using Selenium.
- Maintained automation framework & diagnosed failures.
- Upgraded & maintained QA VMware instances with new builds.

Java Selenium Linux SourceTree Jenkins Exploratory Testing

ABOUT ME

Experienced in testing & development, I enable teams to deliver faster & confidently throughout the Agile Lifecycle.

SKILLS

Cypress Selenium Javascript SQL
MySQL AWS RESTful API CI/CD
Postman Rest-Assured Docker
Java Node.js JIRA Git Linux
Bitbucket Jenkins Agile SDLC
TDD BDD UI/UX

DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE

Business Intelligence Finance
Sports Betting Cloud Computing
Banking Shipping SaaS Marketing

SIDE PROJECT

I Built React apps to gain a better understanding of web technologies such as RESTful APIs to enhance my knowledge as a test professional.

Self Study

February 2021 – February 2022

Portfolio Website 

React Javascript Axios HTML
JSX Styled Components React Hooks


EDUCATION


BSc Environmental Biology

University of Greenwich

September 1994 – June 1998

CERTIFICATES

 Cypress -Modern Automation Testing from Scratch
Udemy June 2022

 Modern JavaScript (from Novice to Ninja)
Udemy June 2022

Test Analyst

Patsystems

📅 August 2009 - May 2012

- Tested FIX exchange adapter connections to LIFFE, Eurex & CME trading platforms.
- Produced sign-off documents after completing tests for escalations & product releases.
- Reviewed software installation guides to ensure the instructions were accurate.

FIX Messaging

Windows Vista

Java

PHP

Perl

QA Test Engineer

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📅 August 2006 - March 2009

- Verified data validity using SQL queries.
- Monitored middleware UNIX logs for issues in Oracle & Weblogic systems.
- Carried out integration, system & regression testing of back-end & front-end trading systems.

CFD

FX Trades

Browser Testing

Oracle

Weblogic

Product Test Engineer

Ulysses Systems

📅 March 2004 - July 2006

- Mentored & Up-skilled Junior testers.
- Tested onboard & onshore shipping processes.
- Conducted build verification tests (BVT) & upgrade test-bed with newly released builds.

C++

Visual Basic

Wiki

Windows XP

Test Director

Software Test Engineer

Citrix Systems

📅 September 1999 - February 2004

- Lead a team of 3 during testing & product release.
- Carried out performance & load testing of Citrix products.
- Tested Citrix products in Win32, Unix/Linux, Java & C/C++ environments.

Automation

C#

MS Active Directory

Bash

Thin Client

Second-Line Support Engineer

ICL

📅 September 1998 - August 1999

- Managed a team of 1st line support engineers.
- Provided support to 2nd line to escalated tickets.
- Called customers to resolve their internet connection issues.

Windows

Email

Internet

Linux

Web Browsers

TCP/IP networking