

1. What are you currently doing for work?  
*I am a Software QE Engineer at 247.ai. Currently I am on sabbatical due to some Visa constraints.*
2. What is your current schedule like—a typical day or week?  
*Since I am on a sabbatical, I am taking this time to reflect inward and figure out my interests. I am also trying to spend quality time with my family, especially with my 2-year-old.*
3. Describe what you most like about design.
  - a. *Designing is something which lies between Human and Product. Being a Software Quality Engineer, I can say that great products put a lot of emphasis on user centric design.*
  - b. *The Design field provides us with an opportunity to break down the complexity of the problem into simpler solutions.*
  - c. *Great design provides a blueprint and acts as a glue for a cross functional team to operate well and deliver products on time.*
  - d. *It is the finer design elements that impacts the perception of entire brand and customer experience*
4. What talents and experiences do you expect to help you in this UX/UI Bootcamp?  
*As part of my job, I have always been interacting constantly with the customers to understand the issues they have in the product and also communicate the same to the designers. So, in this process I have always worked very closely both of them. I feel I have the capability to understand how the designers think and collaborate while empathizing with the customers. Recently, I finished a Product Management certification. This exposed me to some of the design tools like Invision, Miro, Balsamiq etc.*
5. What were your top two reasons for enrolling in this UX/UI Bootcamp?  
*I am looking for a change in the career path from QE to designing*  
*I want to get in touch with my creative side and further my creativity*
6. How do you want to combine and utilize skills and interests you have now with what you're going to learn?  
*Being a Software QE, I have an eye for details and also understand the customer needs. Coming to my interests I like being creative and always look forward to something new to experiment with. I feel the combination of my skills and interests will definitely help me to understand and approach the problems.*
7. What do you expect to do with the skills you gain during this class—both after the class ends as well as 5 years from now?  
*I am looking for a pivot from Software QE to designing. So, the skills I gain from this program will help me switch my role and open up designing opportunities for a career in UX/UI. 5 years from now I would like to learn and grow further in designing.*
8. Describe your ideal career. Share one more thing about yourself, something you're passionate about or that is unique to you.  
*A career that makes the most of my qualifications and abilities, and gives me a chance to constantly challenge myself. I am looking for a job that allows me to express my creativity, has a positive work culture that will encourage me to work at my best.*  
*Also, I am very passionate to learn more about the Indian arts and Handicrafts and I have been collecting some of them over time.*