

**Q: Tell me about yourself**

**A:** Good morning, ma'am. My name is Nikhil Domade, and I am from Nashik district. I am currently pursuing my B.E. in Information Technology from D.Y. Patil College of Engineering, Pune. I have an aggregate CGPA of 8.3 and no live or dead backlogs. I completed my 10th with 83.20% and 12th with 74.67% in Manmad.

I have knowledge of programming languages like C, C++, Java, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. I am a proficient web developer. For creating web applications, I work with ReactJS and Tailwind CSS in the frontend. For handling backend API requests and servers, I use Node and Express. Talking about databases, I have worked with MongoDB and MySQL. I have created multiple small and big projects in web development. Some of them I have mentioned in my resume, like Ecomzy, AI-Powered Resource Generator, and the Student Guide. These are some of my major projects.

I have completed my internship as a Full-Stack Developer at Step One Step Ahead, on-site, from January 2025 to February 2025, where I worked on building a web application. I have also solved more than 320 problems on LeetCode and 180+ on GeeksforGeeks, which improved my problem-solving and logical thinking. I have used tools like Postman for API testing and Git/GitHub for version control.

Apart from academics, I like to play cricket, watch movies, and participate in competitions. I also secured 1st rank in a debugging competition at Tech Fest organized by ITESA. We were selected for the internal SIH 2024. I have also worked as a volunteer in multiple college clubs, contributing to the team's success.

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**Question:** What salary do you expect?

**Answer:**

I don't have proper knowledge about salaries, but as a fresher, I am willing to accept whatever is fair and in line with the industry standards for this role. My main focus is on learning, gaining experience, and contributing effectively to the organization while growing into a better role. I want to take responsibility and contribute positively to the team.

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**Question:** Where do you see yourself after five years?

**Answer:**

Right now, as a fresher, I want to take a job in a good IT company. In the next five years, I see myself in a good position in the company with strong experience, skills, and knowledge. I want to take responsibility, face challenges, and solve real-world problems in my field. I aim to contribute significantly to the team and organization's success, which will give me valuable experience and continuous growth through consistent hard work.

**Question:** Can you work under pressure?

**Answer:**

Working under pressure is a challenge, but I see it as an opportunity to gain experience and understand my abilities better. Because if you need confidence and experience in your life, then you need to go through situations which are beyond your comfort zone. Such situations help you learn new things, and when you come out of them, you gain good confidence and experience as well. I know that I can handle pressure with patience and stay focused on completing the task effectively.

**Question:**

Can you tell me about your strengths and weaknesses?

**Answer:**

**Strengths:**

I am a quick learner and a good listener. I can analyze situations well, and based on that, I can make effective decisions and give advice. I also enjoy teaching others using real-life examples, which makes learning easier. We have conducted multiple workshops for students on campus. I can work well in a team and lead effectively when required. Additionally, I have good knowledge of handling customers, as I have 4 years of selling experience.

**Weaknesses:**

I sometimes find it difficult to say "no" when someone asks for help, even if they haven't treated me well. I also tend to focus too much on details at times. When I put in a lot of effort and things don't go as expected, I can feel a bit disappointed. However, I have realized that in front-end work, 100% accuracy is not always possible, and a balanced approach is acceptable, while back-end work should be precise. I am improving on these areas by staying more balanced, focusing on the bigger picture, and seeking advice from others when needed.

**Question:** What are your hobbies, interests, and motivations?

**Answer:**

I like to play cricket, teach and help others, connect with people, sell things, and watch movies that involve adventures or treasures. Engineers are the ones who make society better, and as a beginner, I like to take challenges and solve real-world problems by working with a team. I always want to create or do things that will help people and contribute to society in a positive way. I always look for opportunities where I can contribute to the work and be part of the team's success, which gives me happiness, experience, and growth in my life.

**Question:** What is confidence and overconfidence?

**Answer:**

**Confidence:**

Confidence is believing in your abilities by doing hard work while being aware of your limitations. It allows you to take decisions, face challenges, and handle situations calmly. Confident people take challenges and complete them through their hard and smart work.

**Example:** These are the ones who analyze the situation and then, based on that, do the work. In the end, they have confidence that they can do it, like an exam paper and all.

**Overconfidence:**

Overconfidence, however, indicates that you believe you are the only one who can do the task, even though you are not aware of the situation and are ignoring your limitations. It can lead to taking unnecessary risks or making mistakes because you overestimate yourself.

**Example:** These are the ones who do not analyze the situation. They just do the work in the way they can and think they are the best, without any proper analysis.

**Question:** How will you meet deadlines?

**Answer:**

Whenever work is assigned to me, I first divide it into smaller tasks and set priorities. Then, based on the importance and the time required, I plan how much time to spend on each task. I try to complete the work step by step and finish it within the given time.

If I feel the deadline might be difficult to meet, I work harder and take help from my team to speed up the process. Still, if it's not possible, I inform my senior or client politely in advance and request a little more time with a valid reason. I always make sure to deliver quality work on time.

**Question:** Scale yourself between 1–10.

**Answer:**

I will scale myself around 8 out of 10. I am confident in my skills and abilities, but I believe that no one is 100% perfect in this world. If someone says they are 100% perfect, then it is not confidence; it is overconfidence. I scale myself 8 because there should always be room for learning and improvement.

**Q: Why should I hire you?**

**Answer:**

I had read the JD of your job profile. You should hire me because my skills match the requirements of this job profile. I have knowledge of React, Node.js, Express, MySQL, and MongoDB, and I have built multiple projects in web development. I also completed an internship as a full-stack developer, where I learned how the industry works and how to create efficient web applications. Apart from that, I have solved more than 320 problems on LeetCode and 180+ on GeeksforGeeks, which has improved my problem-solving ability.

As a fresher, I want to join a reputed IT company like yours, where I will take responsibility and work with the team on real-world problems and projects, which will give me experience and help me learn new things.

One of my teachers told me that a fresher is like molten iron — they should be ready to be shaped into any form. I am ready to adapt, work in any condition, and give my best effort to contribute to the growth of the company. And if there's something I don't know, I will learn it and make sure it doesn't affect my work.

**Question: Who is your biggest inspiration?**

**Answer:**

Everyone has their parents as their biggest inspiration because they are the ones who sacrifice their lives for us. They give us a life that they themselves couldn't have, so yes, my parents are my biggest inspiration.

Apart from my parents, my cousin brother is also a big inspiration for me. His life story itself is a motivation for me. Whenever I feel low, I think about his life, his ups and downs, and I gain confidence and courage from that. I would say my parents are the ones who gave me wings to fly, but my brother taught me how to fly and what to do when I fall.

Apart from my family, **Ratan Tata** is my biggest inspiration. His journey is truly incredible. Once upon a time, when Ratan Tata started his passenger car business, it didn't work well, so he decided to sell it to the American Ford company. But the CEO humiliated him, saying, "Why did you start this business if you don't understand it?" After that, Ratan Tata decided to prove his decision right, and later, he bought **Jaguar and Land Rover**, making Tata one of the most successful and respected brands. This story teaches that if you have ideas and a creative mindset, you can make them true — just believe in yourself.

Beyond business success, Ratan Tata has contributed greatly to society, the environment, and the people. His humility, vision, and dedication to the nation inspire me a lot. He motivates me to work for society, people, and the environment while growing in my career.