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Sciplay: Associate Product Manager Full Time Role 2024



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Company: Sciplay

Role: Associate Product Manager

Are you an international student: Yes

If yes, what is your visa type: F1 OPT

When did you begin applying: Feb 23



The strategy used when applying:

There was no specific strategy, off late I prioritized newer roles and made sure that I reached out to all the relevant people for all of my applications. I asked for interviews rather than waiting for one.

Platforms used for applying to full-time roles:

LinkedIn, productmanager.jobs

The platform through which you applied for this role: LinkedIn

Number of rounds: 3

Round 1

Role of the interviewer in the company: Recruiter

Questions asked by the interviewer: questions were focused on role compatibility and multiple behavioral questions.

Questions you asked:

1. Interview process
2. Details related to the hiring manager,
3. Visa sponsorship

Duration before the mail for the next round — Since they wanted to start someone within 3 weeks, I received an email within 24 hours.



Round 2

Role of the interviewer in the company: VP of Monetization and CEO

Questions asked by the interviewer:

1. Basic introductory questions
2. They presented some data points comparing one of their games with the competition. The prompt they gave me was to interpret the information and discuss its meaning, impact, and scope. Including the problem breakdown and possible approach.

Questions you asked:

Since this is an APM role, my questions were focused on details of the role like the exact aspect of the game I will work on and the expectations from an APM.

Duration before the mail for the next round- Since they wanted to start someone within 3 weeks, I received an email within 6 days.

Round 3

Role of the interviewer in the company: VP of Monetization

Questions asked by interviewer: This interview was focused on the discussion based on the exact area I will be working on. The focus was to see if I could take on the responsibilities and If I was a good fit for the team or not.

Questions you asked: I asked about the previous interview questions and how they discuss similar problems in real life. We discussed a lot about live operations and how different aspects of Product Management change for live ops.

By this time, I had an indirect confirmation. I received the final confirmation after 3 days on a call with the recruiter to discuss salary, joining date, and all other job prerequisites.

Final thoughts

How did you prepare for interviews?

I think the most important aspect of interview preparation is to understand the company, interviewer, and what they are looking for in a candidate. If you ask the recruiter 99% of the time they will share what exactly they are looking for. Make sure you know everything about the company and the job description thoroughly and prepare according to that.

Resources that helped

1. Two podcasts helped me work on my product mindset-

- Unsolicited feedback(Highly recommended)

- Lenny's podcast

2. Reforge has a section on its website called **artifacts** where you can find different documents shared by PMs from major companies about their approach to solving specific problem statements.

3. I was active on Twitter. Multiple Twitter handles post their problems and thoughts. I would reply to them, which would lead to fascinating conversations.



4. The best resource for the role is the **people who are working there**. Reach out to relevant people, be respectful and ask specific questions (about the role or interview). I reached out to relevant people and asked for an interview. That's how I got all of my interviews.

Experience shared by Karan Dalal



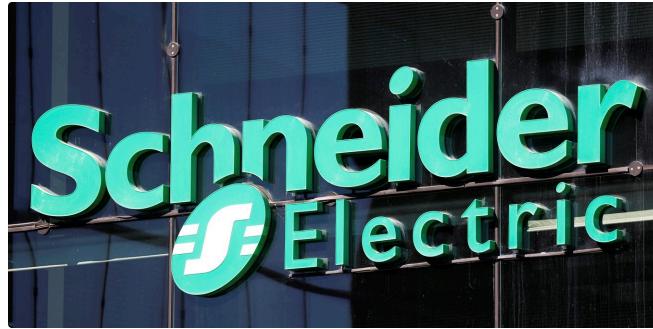
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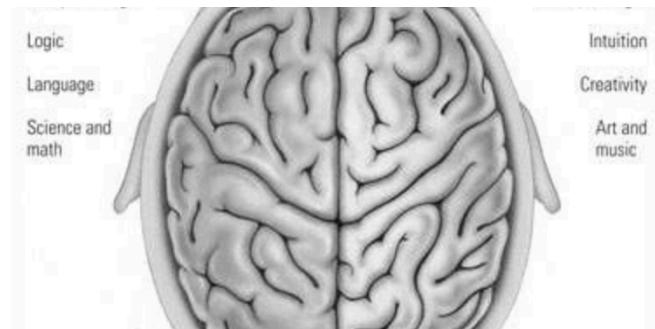
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NinjaPrep.io (React)

- Platform to offer coding problem practice with built in code editor and written + video solutions in React
- Utilized Nginx to reverse proxy IP address on Digital Ocean hosts
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- Visualized Google Takeout location data of location history using Google Maps API and Google Maps heatmap code with React
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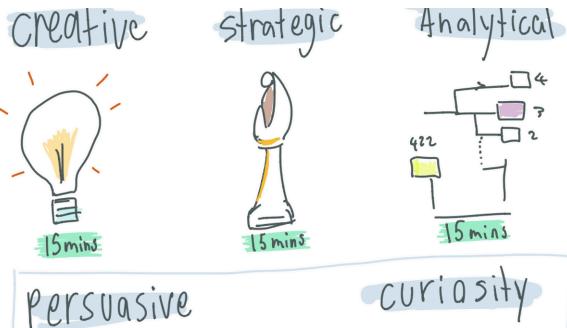
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