

Solutions oriented IT professional with 10 plus years experience in IT industry worked as Senior QA Lead in McAfee

- Proficient in Test planning, test development, test execution, test auditing and implementation of new test process.
- Hands on experience in various functional and non functional testing of software products.
- Strong management skills, able to track risks and issues, come up with mitigation plans and communicate in timely manner to senior management.
- Good understanding of QA metrics and task estimation.
- Good interpersonal skills with proven abilities of resolving complex software issues, ability to work independently and with teams, exposure of handling global teams with good cross site coordination.
- Producing Test Plans in collaboration with development manager and accurately gauging work estimates.
- Experience in handling broad range of corporate IT initiatives while participating in planning and implementation of information solutions in direct support of business objectives.
- Good Team/People Management skills. Involved in building team which involves hiring, on boarding, training.
- Communication skills by effective interaction with management, vendors, peers and users.
- Demonstrated ability to satisfy users through analysis and problem resolution.

Skill Set

- Operating Systems: Microsoft Windows, UNIX (Solaris, Irix), Linux, Mac OS.
- Networking: LAN, WAN, TCP/IP, Ethernet, IPX/SPX, VPN, DHCP, VLAN,.
- Programming/Scripting languages: Java, Perl, SQL, VB script, Foundstone attack scripting language, UNIX Shell Scripting
- Applications/Tools: Quality Center, Bugzilla, VersionOne, QTP, TestComplete, Selenium, SQL server, Sybase, Microsoft Project, Primavera, PerfMon, Windbg
- Project Management process/Tools: Agile/Scrum, estimation, costing, resource allocation, project planning

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

McAfee Software (India) Pvt Ltd. An Intel Company
Senior QA Lead

May 2006 – February 2014

1. Planning and co-ordination of all project deliverables

- Creating QA Plan and managing execution of QA activities for MVM & nRC QA teams.
- Reviewing PRDs, Functional specification and Tests Plans.
- Resources allocation, Task estimation for different modules/projects. Assessing the skill of the team members and defining roles for individuals in the team.
- Responsible for daily QA activities/tasks delegation.
- Estimating resource requirement and re-prioritizing the tests and task as per the milestone deliverable.
- Responsible for project deliverables and quality.

2. Individual contributor role

- As a individual contributor performed Functional and Non functional testing such as black box testing, integration testing, performance testing, security testing , exploratory testing, buddy testing, database testing, migration testing, installation testing, compatibility testing, automation.

3. Handling QA Team

- Handling a QA team of 12-14 members.
- Help manager to set good competitive goals for team engineers MBOs.
- Groom and guide team members in many areas right from technical to soft-skill domains.
- Extensively involved in hiring and training team members, mentoring new joins.

4. Cross-site communications

- Representing Bug court for the past 5 years. (Dev team is in MVI office in US)
- Presenting QA team in Health Check meetings driven from US office.
- Responsible for handling weekly Dev-QA meetings to sync-up with Dev for project status.
- Attend daily standup meeting

5. Project Accomplishments

- As a Project Lead, so far delivered 5 major releases (starting from 6.5 version to 7.5 version) for MVM product, for which most of the releases complete QA was done by Bangalore team.
- Conducted Customers / Sales partners / Tech Support team trainings, presentation on regular basis.
- Active participating and sync-up with Tech-support teams in helping solving customer issues.
- Assisted sales team in closing product deals.
- Done few NIHITOs and identified Beta customers to enroll for MVM Beta programs.
- Brought in good process improvements in the team.

6 Non functional testing

- Owner of performance testing for MVM and nRC products
- Leading performance test team
- Write, plan, setup, execute and share performance results to engineering team
- Designing suitable automation framework, creation of automation scripts of functional tests using QTP and TestComplete

7 Awards and recognitions

- Won catch of the Month contest – four times
- Awarded Employee of the quarter - Thrice
- Special recognition for leading performance testing for MVM 7.5 release
- Four times winner of Bug bash

8 Organization wise initiatives

- Member of performance club
- Heading McAfee running club
- Jury for catch of the month contest
- Active member of Visual flywheel - Talent Acquisition group
- Member of cyber education for kids

Valdel E & C Pvt Ltd (formerly John Brown Technologies)
Assistant Manager and Head of IT

August 2001 – May 2006

Valdel E&C is an ISO 9001, Engineering consulting Company. Manage and enhance IT infrastructure to optimally support users and business operations. Administer, budget, upgrade, optimize, multi-platform LAN infrastructure, consisting of Windows NT/XP/2000/2003, Novell, Solaris, Exchange, Irix, print server, Novell and DOS Clients including security, patches/fixes/upgrades and back-up.

- Day-to-day management/prioritization of tasks assigned to Systems Administration team and ensure highest level of availability of IT Infrastructure.
- Develop and implement new policies, procedures, and guidelines that will provide a future reference and direction for team members. Provide support to users on all hardware, software and peripherals issues.
- Responsible for security policies, intrusion detection, prevention, security patches, upgrades, backup and disaster recovery.
- Establish and enhance relationships with vendors. Test and evaluate new software/Hardware to further enhance system performance.
- Supervise, mentor and manage a team with planning for employee growth, annual appraisals and salary administration.
- Maintain computer hardware and software inventory, purchase software licensing and track licensing compliance throughout the organization
- Install/upgraded hardware and software (engineering tools, software). Contact hardware/software vendors regarding technical issues.

- Establish VPN connectivity to clients/partners through firewall.
- Configuring and maintenance of Cisco router, leased line, ISDN lines and connectivity of internet and video conference equipment. Active participation and led the team in ISP, company name change and company demerger process.

DATASOFT TECHNOLOGIES INC, GA, USA

Nov 2000 – May 2001

System Administrator

Responsible for providing system administration for Windows NT and UNIX network.

- Responsible for providing support of UNIX, and Windows NT systems, peripherals and workstations. This includes hardware maintenance, software upgrades and network connectivity.
- Loading and configuring Sun and Intel architecture machines with Solaris OS, installing patches, packages.
- Coordinate with Systems Manager, Systems Analysts regarding technical considerations (user rights/privileges, account set-up, software installation, and peripheral installation) to ensure proper implementation of all Windows and UNIX operations.
- Setup, configure and maintain NFS and auto mount
- Backup and recovery of files and software.

EPML (INDIAN EXPRESS), BANGALORE

May 1998 – October 2000

Assistant Engineer

Responsibility included deploying and testing publication, reporting, communication software and report issues to DEV team in Chennai. Deployment was on Windows and Novell environments on servers, workstations. Role also included software maintenance, software upgrades, maintain network connectivity and desktop support. Responsible for maintaining system operation 24x7, monitoring of system resources for availability and performance, perform client server configuration, data backups and restore, test and evaluate new software's to further enhance system performance, provide better system redundancy, conduct system check-up to predict system, disk, memory failures.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics, Bangalore University
Diploma in Electronics and Communication, DTE, Bangalore

Professional Training and Certifications

Sun Solaris System Administrator I and II

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