

STAR Story

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Situation	One accomplishment I can recall is taking the lead during my first hackathon. Being a sophomore, I did not have a lot of experience technically and it was my first time working on a project where instructions weren't given to me by a professor or mentor.
Task	I had to meet with my newly assigned team, brainstorm ideas, and delegate responsibilities carefully since we were all doing a hackathon for the first time.
Action	After pitching my idea, I used the main structure of a previous project I had done and implemented it with a template-type code while I had the other members conducting research to bring the chatbot to life. After coding the structure, I handed the code to the others and gave instructions on how to apply the new findings from their research to the code as well as collaborate to keep the program efficient. Then, I delegated the responsibility of building a GUI to another member while I played to my strengths of design to create a front-end interface to both showcase the potential project's look as well as a presentation-style graphic design.
Result	Although we did not win the hackathon, me and my team received amazing feedback and my designs were greatly praised for maintaining a look befitting a hackathon or tech demo. On the other hand, I learnt how to collaborate with others in a tech project for the first time, learnt how to

	delegate responsibilities to play to everyone's individual strengths, and ways to do better while collaborating on larger programming tasks than the ones in class.
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