James Cockburn

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am an able and down-to-earth individual, who has proved on many occasions that I can adapt to any situation I am presented with and stand out from a group. Personality wise, I am cheerful, energetic and always motivated.

EMPLOYMENT

Newswire Analyst Writing Solutions 23 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6HE 1/09/2010 - Present

I currently work for Writing Solutions, who deliver news to companies that wish to just read a quick summary of whatever story is important to them so that they don't have to waste time having to find relevant news themselves. My job is to write these summaries.

Key Achievements:

- o Learnt how to work quickly and accurately
- Developed people skills with my superiors
- o Learnt more about working in a group

Betting Cashier West Ham FC (Boleyn Ground) Green Street, Upton Park, London, E13 9AZ 21/08/2010 – 04/10/2010

I worked for a few games for SBObet, taking football fans' bets on the premier league games. I decided to quit soon after I acquired my new job, as it was better paid and the hours were more flexible, thus being more appropriate to fit around my degree.

Key Achievements:

- Learnt how to work under pressure
- o Managed to grasp stressful situations and work through them logically

EDUCATION

University College London Gower Street, London Theoretical Physics, 4 year MSci course

I am in the second year of this four year course. Being at university, even for this short amount of time, has made me realise how important group work is and how vital it is to work together in order to overcome problems. It has also made me appreciate the true value of money – living in London requires a fair amount of financial backing.

Chelmer Valley High School (and Sixth Form College) Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 7ER Mathematics, A Physics, B English Literature, A

During GCSE, I took the 'Triple Science' path, an option that allowed me to take Biology, Physics and Chemistry as independent subjects. From the interest I gained from taking these subjects, I took the above three A-levels, striking a balance between personal interests and my ideal university course choice, plus one in German. I dropped German after one year, in order to give myself time to do a one-year Further Mathematics AS course (receiving an A in the 'Further Pure 1' course), which has benefitted me greatly in my chosen degree. Despite having dropped it, I still command a decent aptitude in the language. When I left, I was presented with two awards, given by the school to both the most able and well-mannered student in each subject every year. I was given the award for Physics and English Literature, coming top of a class of about 30 pupils in both cases.

PERSONAL INTERESTS

My interests include reading, writing and playing football. Every November, I take part in National Novel Writing Month, where the challenge is to write a 50,000 word novel in a month. This year, I managed to reach that goal and hope to release my novel sometime next year, after I have edited it.

On top of that, I enjoy playing the guitar and playing computer games. The former stems from my love of music, especially classical, rock and metal, whilst the latter has fuelled my interest in technology.

- References on request.