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Decision Support Analyst Job Interview Preparation Guide.

Question #1

How do you measure success?

Answer:-

There may be several good answers. Some include: you're able to set realistic, yet aggressive goals that push you and you're able to achieve them, you go the extra mile on all projects, client satisfaction is high, your boss is elated at your performance on all projects, etc.

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Question # 2

Describe a time when you put your needs aside to help a co-worker understand a task. How did you assist them? What was the result?

Answer-

The key is to show that the mentoring of a co-worker was first a higher priority than the task you had at hand (remember, you want to show that you focus on highest priority tasks first). Then, describe in detail how you helped them not only complete the task but learn to do it on their own. You want to teach them HOW to fish and not to simply fish for them.

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Question # 3

Explain me about a problem or disagreement you had with previous supervisor?

Answer:

This question is trap. It is meant to see whether or not you'll speak poorly of an employer. No one wants to hire someone who's going to speak poorly of them down the road. Stay upbeat and positive - and most of all don't say anything negative about a previous employer.

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Question #4

How do you think you might fit this position As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer-

An important part of research before the interview is what the company does and how the job role relates to that. This includes the company philosophy and working methods. Questions such as this seek to find out how a candidate will fit into the organisation As Decision Support Analyst. Answer positively; including practical examples of how you anticipate you would perform in the new role.

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Question # 5

What did you like least about your last (or current) job As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer:

Don't vent or focus on the negative with brutally honest answers such as "My boss was a jerk," or "The company culture was too politically correct," or "They just weren't giving me the opportunity to take my career to the next level." Instead, keep the emphasis on the positive, even though there are sure to be things you weren't happy about.

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Question # 6

What are you looking for in a new position As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer:-

I've been honing my skills As Decision Support Analyst for a few years now and, first and foremost, I'm looking for a position where I can continue to exercise those skills. Ideally the same things that this position has to offer. Be specific.

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Question #7



What critical component of this position As Decision Support Analyst makes the work challenging?

Answer:

Heading information: This should include job title, pay grade or range, reporting relationship (by position, not individual), hours or shifts, and the likelihood of overtime or weekend work

Summary objective of the job: List the general responsibilities and descriptions of key tasks and their purpose, relationships with customers, coworkers, and others, and the results expected of incumbent employees.

Qualifications: State the education, experience, training, and technical skills necessary for entry into this job.

Special demands: This should include any extraordinary conditions applicable to the job As Decision Support Analyst (for example, heavy lifting, exposure to temperature extremes, prolonged standing, or travel).

Job duties and responsibilities: Only two features of job responsibility are important: identifying tasks that comprise about 90 to 95 percent of the work done and listing tasks in order of the time consumed (or, sometimes, in order of importance).

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Question # 8

Describe a time when you anticipated potential problems and developed preventive measures?

Answer-

The key here is to show that you were proactive. How did you find out about the potential problems? How did you address it quickly?

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Question # 9

Are you currently looking at other job opportunities?

Answer-

Just answer this question honestly. Sometime an employer wants to know if there are other companies you're considering so that they can determine how serious you are about the industry, they're company and find out if you're in demand. Don't spend a lot of time on this question; just try to stay focused on the job you're interviewing for.

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Question # 10

Tell me about a time when you had to give someone difficult feedback As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer:-

By asking this question, your interviewer hopes to learn whether you can communicate effectively, address issues in the workplace and motivate others during difficult times. Giving negative feedback requires honesty, thoughtfulness and tact. Answering this question well can help show an interviewer that you would be a good fit for a managerial position or a position that involves working closely with others.

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Question # 11

Do you know anyone that works with our company?

Answer:

Sometimes companies have policies relating to the hiring of individuals related to current company employees. If you are related to anyone working for the company make sure you're aware of company policies before you enter the interview. If you have a friend or acquaintance working for the company make sure have good relationship with this individual before mentioning them.

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Question # 12

Can you tell me a little about yourself?

Answer:-

This question seems simple, so many people fail to prepare for it, but it's crucial. Here's the deal: Don't give your complete employment (or personal) history As Decision Support Analyst. Instead give a pitch-one that's concise and compelling and that shows exactly why you're the right fit for the job. Start off with the 2-3 specific accomplishments or experiences that you most want the interviewer to know about, then wrap up talking about how that prior experience has positioned you for this specific role.

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Question # 13

Do you ever take work home with you?

Answer:-

Here are two great sample answers that might help get you started:

- * I am an extremely organized person, so I tend to be able to get my work done at work. However, if the need arose I would not be against taking work home. I try not to make it a habit, since I do value my free time. I do realize though that the work we do is important, and sometimes you have to do what needs to be done.
- * I do not shy away from taking work home with me. I know that meeting deadlines and doing outstanding work sometimes means taking a bit of it home. I do not have a problem doing that when the need arises.
- * Make sure to give an honest answer. Lying about taking work home may turn out badly for you if it is required and you do not do it.

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Question # 14

Explain me what do you know about our company?

Answer:-



Bad Answer: They don't know much about the company. If a candidate is serious and enthusiastic, they should have done some basic research.

Good answer: An answer that shows they've really done their homework and know what the company does, any important current events that involve the company, and the work culture.

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Question #15

Why did you leave your last job As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer-

Regardless of why you left your last job make sure to stay positive. Always smile and focus on the positive reason such you were seeking the opportunity to expand your career opportunities, your interest in working with a new firm that provided greater opportunity, you desired to work in a new location, etc. Don't reference previous job problems or differences with management that caused you to leave. If you stay positive, your answer may help you. If you're negative, you will likely decrease your chances of getting the job for which you're interviewing.

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Question # 16

Tell us about a suggestion you have made that has benefited an organization you've worked for?

Answer:-

This is another opportunity to show the interviewer what you're capable of so make sure to be prepared for this type of question. Have an example ready and make sure its an example of a suggestion you've made that was accepted and that have positive influence. If you can come up with an example that relates to the position you're applying for that would be even better.

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Question # 17

Can you describe your ideal boss/supervisor?

Answer:-

During the interview As Decision Support Analyst process employers will want to find out how you respond to supervision. They want to know whether you have any problems with authority, If you can work well as part of a group (see previous question) and if you take instructions well etc.

Never ever, criticize a past supervisor or boss. This is a red flag for airlines and your prospective employer will likely assume you are a difficult employee, unable to work in a team or take intruction and side with your former employer.

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Question # 18

What's your management style?

Answer:-

The best managers are strong but flexible, and that's exactly what you want to show off in your answer. (Think something like, "While every situation and every team member requires a bit of a different strategy, I tend to approach my employee relationships as a coach...") Then, share a couple of your best managerial moments, like when you grew your team from five to 15 or coached an underperforming employee to become the company's top employee.

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Question # 19

Tell me about the most fun you have had on the job?

Answer:

When answering this question, discuss situations where you completed tasks benefitting your previous employers.

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Question # 20

If you were hiring a person for this job As Decision Support Analyst, what would you look for?

Answer:

Discuss qualities you possess required to successfully complete the job duties.

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Question # 21

What qualities do you believe are important to have as a manager?

Answer:-

Great managers tend to empower their employees to be successful through strong coaching. They understand how to manage relationships - this is commonly referred to emotional intelligence. They have to be able to handle both client and staff situations that require them to be calm under pressure to clearly think of solutions to complex problems. Most importantly they must be able to articulate the vision to the team and inspire them to work together to collectively achieve that goal

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Question # 22

Describe a time where you've failed and bounced back?

Answer:

Share a story to describe this. For example: "I accidentally made the mistake of telling a customer I could deliver on a solution set on a certain date and then later found out our business partner couldn't do it on that time. I learned that I shouldn't rush into important decisions and promises like this and that I should always check



with my counterparts first before committing to a statement of work."

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Question #23

Why are you leaving the present company?

Answer:

According to me we can not grow in the field without taking more responsibilities and risks and also we can't enhance our team leading capabilities, managerial skills without expose to wide range of people.

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Question # 24

What do you feel you deserve to be paid?

Answer.

Do your research before answering this question - first, consider what the market average is for this job. You can find that by searching on Google (title followed by salary) and globalguideline.com and other websites. Then, consider this - based on your work experience and previous results, are you above average, if yes, by what % increase from your pay today from your perspective? Also - make sure if you aim high you can back it up with facts and your previous results so that you can make a strong case.

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Question # 25

How do you feel about giving back to the community?

Answer:-

Describe your charitable activities to showcase that community work is important to you. If you haven't done one yet, go to www.globalguideline.com - charitable work is a great way to learn about other people and it's an important part of society - GET INVOLVED!

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Question # 26

Do you value recognition or pay more? Why?

Answer:-

Either preference is fine, but just remember you have to be able to explain why. If you say recognition, then back that up by describing how achievement really carries weight with you and how you like to feel valued in the work that you do because it validates that you're helping your teammates / customers and so forth. If you choose money, you can also explain that is important to you as validation and you can highlight how money is important to you because of your goals (financial security, providing for your family, and so forth). The key is to be authentic with your answer. However, if you say you value pay more because you're greedy - know that doesn't align usually to most company's values/vision.

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Question # 27

What do you aspire to be?

Answer:

Discuss your aspirations for the near, immediate and long term. You want to show them you are thinking of making an impact now as well as the future.

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Question # 28

Why are you interested in this type of job As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer:

You're looking for someone who enjoys working with the elderly, or a caring, sociable, and nurturing person.

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Question # 29

What role do you see technology playing in this role?

Answer:-

Technology is important to almost every job today but it's not meant to be abused. I believe it's important to increase productivity and not for personal use.

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Question # 30

Describe yourself in three words?

Answer:

Pick three adjectives but then back up each with a real life story that demonstrates those characteristics.

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Question # 31

What are ideas or initiatives you've led and what was the outcome?



Answer:-

Describe your most unique ideas and initiatives that had the best results for the company. Make sure you highlight your creativity, your results, your diligence and your ability to execute.

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Question #32

What's been your biggest success to date?

Answer:

Talk about a story / experience about how you achieved success and be sure to share details on the results and outcome. Have it highlight a strong characteristic such as leadership, work ethic and so forth.

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Question #33

If you could offer suggestions on how to improve our company, what would you say?

Answer.

Examine the trends of the company and also where there may be some weaknesses (news articles often document this on public companies or look at their competitors to see how they're positioning it against them.) Then, once you have that knowledge, think creatively on how you could improve upon that weakness for them.

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Question #34

Why were you fired?

Answer:-

OK, if you get the admittedly much tougher follow-up question as to why you were let go (and the truth isn't exactly pretty), your best bet is to be honest (the job-seeking world is small, after all). But it doesn't have to be a deal-breaker. Share how you've grown and how you approach your job and life now as a result. If you can position the learning experience as an advantage for this next job, even better.

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Question #35

Why are manhole covers round?

Answer:-

This is a classic brainteaser, which was reportedly first asked by a Microsoft interviewer. Here's how to ""solve"" this brainteaser (remember to speak and reason out loud while solving this brainteaser): Why are manhole covers round? Could there be a structural reason? Why aren't manhole covers square? It would make it harder to fit with a cover. You'd have to rotate it exactly the right way.

The pipes below are also round, so fitting them might be easier, as might be making them. So many manhole covers are round because they don't need to be rotated. There are no corners to deal with. Also, a round manhole cover won't fall into a hole because it was rotated the wrong way, so it's safer. Looking at this, it seems corners are a problem. You can't cut yourself on a round manhole cover. And because it's round, it can be more easily transported. One person can roll it.

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Question #36

What have you done to reduce costs, increase revenue, or save time?

Answer:

Even if your only experience is an internship, you have likely created or streamlined a process that has contributed to the earning potential or efficiency of the practice. Choose at least one suitable example and explain how you got the idea, how you implemented the plan, and the benefits to the practice.

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Question #37

Do you work well on a team? How would you define teamwork?

Answer:-

I would define team work as getting the job done As Decision Support Analyst whether that means if I have to do more then the guy next to me as long as the work gets finished.

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Question #38

How do you feel about technology at the workplace in general?

Answer-

It's a great enabler for us to collaborate better as a team, for us to reach customers more efficiently and frequently and I believe it can help any company become more efficient, leaner, and more productive.

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Question #39

Explain a time when you did not get along with your coworker?

Answer:-

I used to lock heads with a fellows. We disagreed over a lot of things - from the care of civilians to who got what shifts to how to speak with a victim's family. Our



personalities just didn't mesh. After three months of arguing, I pulled her aside and asked her to lunch. At lunch, we talked about our differences and why we weren't getting along. It turns out, it was all about communication. We communicated differently and once we knew that, we began to work well together. I really believe that talking a problem through with someone can help solve any issue.

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Question # 40

What's a time you disagreed with a decision that was made at work?

Answer-

Everyone disagrees with the boss from time to time, but in asking this interview question As Decision Support Analyst, hiring managers want to know that you can do so in a productive, professional way. "You don't want to tell the story about the time when you disagreed but your boss was being a jerk and you just gave in to keep the peace. And you don't want to tell the one where you realized you were wrong,". Tell the one where your actions made a positive difference on the outcome of the situation, whether it was a work-related outcome or a more effective and productive working relationship.

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Question # 41

What was the most important task you ever had?

Answer:-

There are two common answers to this question that do little to impress recruiters:

* 'I got a 2.1'

* 'I passed my driving test'

No matter how proud you are of these achievements, they don't say anything exciting about you. When you're going for a graduate job, having a degree is hardly going to make you stand out from the crowd and neither is having a driving licence, which is a requirement of many jobs.

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Question # 42

Explain an occasion when you had to adapt in the face of a difficult situation?

Answer-

One of the most useful interview tactics is to remain positive about your work and achievements. This question lets the candidate draw on their own personal history to show how they have been positive and successful in the face of difficulties. Choose a specific occasion to describe, rather than dealing with generic platitudes.

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Question # 43

What types of personalities do you work with best?

Answer:-

In the past, I have found it difficult to work with others who see themselves as better than others, who can take criticism, and who refuse to work with others. I have found it challenging to work with them b/c I am a team oriented person who feels the importance of working together over the needs of the individual especially in a learning environment.

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Question # 44

Do you have good computer skills?

Answer:-

It is becoming increasingly important for medical assistants to be knowledgeable about computers. If you are a long-time computer user with experience with different software applications, mention it. It is also a good idea to mention any other computer skills you have, such as a high typing rate, website creation, and more.

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Question # 45

What would you like to have accomplished by the end of your career?

Answer:

Think of 3 major achievements that you'd like to accomplish in your job when all is said and done - and think BIG. You want to show you expect to be a major contributor at the company. It could be creating a revolutionary new product, it could be implementing a new effective way of marketing, etc.

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Question # 46

What's your salary history?

Answer:-

When you are interviewing for a new job, it is common practice for the company to ask you about your salary history. I typically want to know what the candidate's base salary is, if they receive any bonus, the average bonus amount, and any additional compensation or perks, such as 500k matching, stock grants or stock options, paid time off and how much they are required to pay towards their medical premiums.

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Question # 47

What's the least rewarding work you've ever done and why?

Answer:-



Describe work you've done that you feel doesn't take advantage of your full potential. For example, "I once had to make paper copies for my job and I feel it didn't take full advantage of my skills. However, it did teach me to be humble in my work and to appreciate a good opportunity when it arose to use my skills"

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Question # 48

How much do you expect to get paid As Decision Support Analyst?

Answer:

For this be prepared and research salary to find out what similar positions are paying in your area before you go to the interview. Try to find this information out before giving your salary expectations. You can and should provide a range instead of an exact number. But again, don't say any numbers you're not comfortable with because if the employer offers you a salary at the lowest end of your range, you don't have much to negotiate with when it comes to getting a higher salary.

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Question # 49

What do you think we could do better or differently?

Answer:-

This is a common one at startups. Hiring managers want to know that you not only have some background on the company, but that you're able to think critically about it and come to the table with new ideas. So, come with new ideas! What new features would you love to see? How could the company increase conversions? How could customer service be improved? You don't need to have the company's four-year strategy figured out, but do share your thoughts, and more importantly, show how your interests and expertise would lend themselves to the job.

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Question # 50

How do you handle stressful situations?

Answer:-

By remaining calm, weighing out all my options and executing a plan to get the situation resolve.

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Question #51

Have you got any questions?

Answer-

This is your final opportunity to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job. Now is not the time to ask questions about holidays, pay or pensions - all these things can be asked later when you get an offer of employment. Now is the time to ask about any reservations that the interviewer may have about your suitability for the role. You will then give yourself one last chance to persuade the interviewer that you are the right candidate for the job. Example Thank you. I think we have covered everything. Before we finish the interview I would like to take the opportunity to ask if you have any reservations

about my suitability for this role?

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Question # 52

Give me an example of when you competed hard and won?

Answer:

You can reference many different areas here when discussing a story of where you won in competition: Work experience (ideal), sports, clubs, classes, projects.

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Question # 53

Describe to me the position As Decision Support Analyst you're applying for?

Answer:

This is a "homework" question, too, but it also gives some clues as to the perspective the person brings to the table. The best preparation you can do is to read the job description and repeat it to yourself in your own words so that you can do this smoothly at the interview.

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Question # 54

What schedule do you hope to work? Are you willing to work extra hours?

Answer:

Be honest. If you really want the job and are willing to work any schedule needed, say so. If, however, you have no intention of working late hours or weekends, simply let the interviewer know the hours that you are available to work. The same applies to extra hours. You are more likely to be hired if you are willing to work any time you are needed. However, saying that you are willing and then complaining about the hours once you start working is a recipe for disaster.

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Question #55

Explain me about a time when you reached a goal within a tight deadline?

Answer:-

I work well under pressure to meet deadlines without jeopardizing the quality of my work. I have always worked in a fast pace environment where we are constantly under pressure to achieve best results within a time frame.



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Question #56

Give me an example of an emergency situation that you faced. How did you handle it?

Answer:

There was a time when one of my employers faced the quitting of a manager in another country. I was asked to go fill in for him while they found a replacement and stay to train that person. I would be at least 30 days. I quickly accepted because I knew that my department couldn't function without me.

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Question # 57

Do you like to start personal relationships with other employees?

Answer:-

Well, the right answer is yes and no. Good personal relations can improve the overall performance of a team. But on the other hand, you should not let your emotions to affect your decisions in work.

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Question # 58

How would you motivate your team members to produce the best possible results?

Answer:

Trying to create competitive atmosphere, trying to motivate the team as a whole, organizing team building activities, building good relationships amongst people.

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Question #59

How do you plan to go by an example for your subordinates?

Answer:-

Sticking to the rules by yourself, working hard and not mind participating on basic tasks is a good answer.

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Question # 60

How do you act when you encounter competition?

Answer:-

This question is designed to see if you can rise the occasion. You want to discuss how you are the type to battle competition strongly and then you need to cite an example if possible of your past work experience where you were able to do so.

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Question # 61

What are three positive things your last boss would say about you?

Answer:-

It's time to pull out your old performance appraisals and boss's quotes. This is a great way to brag about yourself through someone else's words: "My boss has told me that I am the best designer he has ever had. He knows he can rely on me, and he likes my sense of humor."

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Question # 62

How have you changed in the last five years?

Answer:-

All in a nutshell. But I think I've attained a level of personal comfort in many ways and although I will change even more in the next 5-6 years I'm content with the past 6 and what has come of them.

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