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Candidate Details

Candidate Name	Gareth Bowen	
Current Position:	Designer/Solutions Architect/Coder/CEO	
Nationality:	UK/European Citizen	
Languages:	English (Fluent)	

Academic Qualifications

Date	Place
1995-1998	University of Durham <i>Bsc Hons Computer Science - 2.1</i> Dissertation: Intelligent Information Retrieval for the World Wide Web.
1993-1995	King Edward VI College, Stourbridge <i>4 A levels – History-A, Maths -B, English Literature-B and General Studies -B</i>
1989-1993	Elloes Hall Secondary School, Dudley <i>9 GCSES: 5As, 3Bs and 1 C</i>

Professional Accreditations

Date	Place
IT Project+	Project Management Qualification from CompTIA <i>awarded August 2003.</i>
MCSA .NET	Microsoft Certified Solution Developer .NET C# - Early Achiever <i>awarded June 2003.</i>
MCAD .NET	Microsoft Certified Application Developer .NET C# - Chartered Status first 5000 <i>awarded May 2003</i>
MCSE	Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer - Microsoft Windows 2000 <i>awarded March 2003</i>
MCSA	Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator - Microsoft Windows 2000 <i>awarded February 2003</i>
MCDBA	Microsoft Certified Database Administrator - SQL Server 2000 <i>awarded January 2003.</i>
MCSA	Microsoft Certified Solution Developer - Visual Studio 6.0 <i>awarded November 2001 -VB6 com/dcom development.</i>
MCP	Microsoft Certified Professional <i>awarded April 2001</i>

Career Summary

Dates	Company	Position
Started 2007	www.thesextree.co.uk	Founder and Bloke in Charge.
June 2005-March 2007	Future Mortgages/Citigroup	Technical Lead, Freelance Consultant
Sept 2002- April 2005	Waterstons	Senior Consultant
July 2001-July 2002	loko365	Developer
March 2000-July 2001	Didio Communications	Department Head, Senior Architect, Developer
Sept 1998 – March 2000	Logica PLC	Developer
June 1997 – August 1997	STEP Placement Response LTD	Business Consultant

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	The Sex Tree
Company (Employer)	Gareth Bowen
Dates	April 2007 – June 2010, January 2013 - Current
Client (Customer)	Gareth Bowen
Project description :	
<p>Developed and Maintained an International News Site where you the user write the news which originated as a multilingual social networking and dating site where you would sign your Exs up and rate them in bed.</p> <p>It offered the usual functionality such as customized profiles, isometric testing, journals, forums, chat rooms, photo/music/video uploads, SMS status updates, and games such as online poker as well as online psychic courses, polling and political campaigns.</p> <p>It also including <i>inter alia</i> a searchable human rights law database for statues, case law and also included AI components for matching users of like mind up and had an import of the International Monetary Fund database for economic reporting as well as budget data for countries.</p> <p>There was also an online shop with merchandise.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
<p>Developed site from scratch using asp.net and AJAX for the presentation layer which used c# business objects for the business object layer which connected to a Sql Server back end . It Included data imports from excel spread sheets.</p> <p>Responsible for web hosting, maintenance and web role outs</p> <p>Legal Responsibilities included <i>inter alia</i> registering trade mark in uk law, litigation, accounting and tax returns.</p> <p>Sales and Marketing responsibilities included promoting the site to get people to join as well as writing articles for the news paper.</p>	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,C#, ASP.NET, AJAX, Sql Server, t-sql, OOD, Design Patterns,Flash, Java Script, PayPal, SMS, UML, Agile Programming, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	Sourcing Systems
Company (Employer)	GothicLight Ltd
Dates	January 2005 - March 2007
Client (Customer)	Future Mortgages
Project description :	
<p>A secure web Service to act as a gateway for third party mortgage brokers. Designed to take an XML data feed in order to process and return matching mortgage and insurance products.</p> <p>It contained a rule scoring engine for the credit scoring of applications.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Development and project management	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML, Web Services, C#, ASP.NET, css, XML, Sql Server, t-sql, OOD, Design Patterns, UML, NUnit, Agile Programming, MS Project, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	Pablo
Company (Employer)	Gothiclight Ltd
Dates	June 2005 - January 2007
Client (Customer)	Future Mortgages
Project description :	
<p>An asp.net intranet application for the setting up and maintenance of differentials which generated mortgage products and insurance products. Also covered setting up and maintenance of LIBOR and other interest rates.</p> <p>It handled credit scoring and covered prime and sub prime lending, and needed to comply with FSA regulations for brokers</p> <p>It also generated KFIs and FMAs as pdf documents.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Brought in as an external consultant to instruct, mentor and lead the team in .NET development and helped in some of the BSA, project management, testing and migration aspects to a live environment. Helped with web role outs..	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML, C#, ASP.NET, css, Sql Server, t-sql, NUnit, UML, OOD, Design Patterns, Agile Programming, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	House Planning Application
Company (Employer)	Waterstons
Dates	Sept 2002 – April 2005
Client (Customer)	Centex
Project description :	
A budgeting cost and planning system for a major house builder. It covered payment and invoicing of contractors , audits, tracking of new builds and remittance .	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Solutions Architect and Technical Lead of 3 developers. Project Management reporting to Accounts Manager. Client facing covered requirements gathering and formulation of User Cases for development.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,C#, WinForms, Sql Server, t-sql,UML, RedGate,OOD, Design Patterns, RAD, MS Project, Sharepoint, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	Bravo
Company (Employer)	Waterstons
Dates	Sept 2002 – April 2005
Client (Customer)	White Rose Environmental
Project Size	3 man team £250,000
Project description :	
A ERP system running in various divisions across the country. It covered management of contracts, Route planning, and invoicing of clients as well as reporting to a sun accounts system. Handled Stock control which used barcode readers for tracking of bins and waste management notes.	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Solutions Architect and Technical Lead of 3 developers. Project Management reporting to Accounts Manager. Client facing covered requirements gathering and formulation of User Cases for development. Responsible for data migration and data mapping of existing database to the new one as well as go live. Maintenance, testing and bug fixing.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,C#, WinForms, Sql Server, t-sql, Crystal Reports,RedGate, OOD Design Patterns, UML, User Cases, RAD, MS Project, ERP, Sharepoint, Full Life Cycle, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	Barbox
Company (Employer)	Ioko365
Dates	July 2001 – July 2002
Client (Customer)	Barbox
Project description :	
<p>A Web based ordering system using Commerce Server and Biztalk using Sql Server for the back end and was considered the largest uk biztalk integration project at the time.</p> <p>Handled B2B processing of orders and stock control with third party suppliers.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
<p>Responsible for coming up to speed and mentoring to rest of team Biztalk 2000</p> <p>Development of VB6 COM component plug ins for Supplier Integration..</p>	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,ASP, VB6 COM, Sql Server, t-sql,XML,SOAP,FTP, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	Must Sell, Must Buy
Company (Employer)	Ioko365
Dates	July 2001 – July 2002
Client (Customer)	Banks's
Project description :	
<p>A Web based intranet application for invoicing and processing of FBI forms.</p> <p>This meant it tracked work carried out of pubs on behalf of other brewers and the processing and reporting of costs.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Development of bespoke system full life cycle. asp front end, com components and the sql server database.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,ASP, VB6, COM, Sql Server 7,t-sql, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	Print on Demand CDs
Company (Employer)	Didio Communications
Dates	January 2001 – July 2001
Client (Customer)	Max Opus
Project description :	
<p>Allowed the client to select [classical] music tracks off the web which would be printed onto their own CD with personalized CD labels, which included the inlays for the CD case which they were to all be paired up with.</p> <p>System used barcodes for matching up and shipping of items. Secure payment processing to be billed by micro transactions.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
<p>Development of code which controlled print on demand CD writer as well as code for the production and processing of bar codes.</p> <p>Management of another employee who was developing secure web site for ordering.</p>	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,ASP, VB6 COM, Oracle 8i,toad, Word Pay, DRM Management, MS Project, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	Internal Development
Company (Employer)	Didio Communications
Dates	March 2000 – July 2001
Client (Customer)	Didio Communications
Project description :	
<p>Write systems to digitize audio books into mp3 format from wav format using the original DAT tapes. Add idv3v2 tags and make them ready for secure distribution. Write code for trimming and normalizing of wav files as well as internal systems to test production quality. Write systems for data input of author details and photos to be use in covers. Provide management of reporting tools.</p> <p>Testing of Audio books was done via a plug in for outlook. Audio books to be offered via web pages which integrated with the web sites of various on line shops.</p>	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
<p>Responsible for writing and managing all internal systems. Reported directly to the operations director.</p> <p>Responsible for interviewing and hiring of junior developer.</p>	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
HTML,ASP, VB6 COM,DCOM, Oracle 8i,PL SQL,Toad,RedGate,MS Access, Solaris, Windows NT, MS Project, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	SCRA
Company (Employer)	Logica
Dates	October 1999 – March 1999
Client (Customer)	Scottish Children's Reporter Agency
Project Size:	14 Million GBP. 30 man team
Project description :	
SCRA is a Scottish Government non-departmental public body with responsibility for protecting children at risk. It was a large intranet application used to administer the processing of children's details in Scotland.	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
I was responsible for developing some of the front end screens which are ASP pages, using DHTML and VB Script for Internet Explorer 4. ADO Screens make use of ADO via ole db to call stored procedures running on a SQL Server 7 database. Working as part of a team of 6 who are developing the interface within a much larger project size of 30. Learnt to program in a very formal environment.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
ASP, DHTML, HTML, Java Script, IIS, Sql Server 7, TSQL Stored Procedures, Java Script, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	WinFops
Company (Employer)	Logica
Dates	Feb 1999 – Oct 1999
Client (Customer)	European Space Agency
Project Size	3 man team, 100k
Project description :	
Windows Flight Operations Procedures/Mission Operations Information System. Back office tool used for the formatting of time lines and telemetry data using Excel. It was used for processing and checking command sequences for specific satellite launches into space.	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Brought in to rescue project behind schedule. Responsible for writing rendering components and rules engine in vb6 com components. .	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
Excel, COM, VB6, MS Access, Source Safe	

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Project Experience :	
Project Name	DADF (Distribution and Dissemination Facility)
Company (Employer)	Logica
Dates	Sept 1998 – Feb 1999
Client (Customer)	Eumetsat
Project Size	12 people., £6Million
Project description :	
Project for processing telemetry data from a weather satellite before it gets forwarded to ground stations over TCP/IP. Two teams split across two companies one working in Germany.	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Writing various bits of code in c++ for streaming data packets to various systems, as well as having to write tests for some of the multithreaded code. Some time spent working in Germany.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
C++,MVC,Visual Studio 6,Multithreaded, Source Safe	

Project Experience :	
Project Name	Stock Control System
Company (Employer)	Response LTD
Dates	July 1997 – August 1997
Client (Customer)	Response LTD
Project Size	1 Person, 8 weeks
Project description :	
Acted in the form of an I.T. consultant for a rapidly expanding housing maintenance company who were having Stock control problems.	
Employee's Roles & Responsibilities in the project:	
Interviewed people at different levels of company. Then designed and implemented ms access application for keeping track of company stock control.	
Technologies and methodologies used by the employee in the project:	
MS Access	

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