



"Shakuntala Devi" Compensation Plan of the Year Award

HR: The revised compensation will be arrived at by dividing the square root of the average compensation by the standard deviation of the individual's performance over the last 24 lunar weeks and then adjusting for the seasonal variation by multiplying by India's monsoon factor.

Developer: I think this can make a good coding problem

ThoughtWorks Circa 1998

BA#1: So, tell us when you joined ThoughtWorks and what the scene was like then

BA#2: Ah, we joined in 1998. Or was it 1999?

BA#3: Well, I interviewed before that too, but even in 1998 it was really unorganized

BA#2: It was rather a mess. It was dirty and a mess

BA#1: Dirty? Huh?

BA#3: Well, we had come from companies where people wore suits

BA#2: And here there were boys in tracksuits running around.

BA#3: And the tracksuits had holes and their shorts could be seen

BA#2: It would have been OK had the guys been in better shape....

Immigration Section

HR: So, how was the trip?

Developer: US Immigration was interesting. That lady asked me "don't u have any other job in India other than Software"

The Art Of Heavy Lifting

A team is in Geoffrey's at the Park Plaza. We hear that Steve Waugh is in the lobby and most of us run out to meet him or get autographs. One guy goes upto the cricketer and in the absence of any paper to write on, offers his business card to Waugh to autograph. Waugh turns it over, looks at the line below the company name and asked: "Do you build cranes?"

Star Trek: Lost in Wayanad

DBA: These guys had been on a trek last weekend...I just called them up casually to check if they are having fun

DBA: One guy tells me 'There's this eucalyptus tree here... tell me which way to take...'

DBA: In another call someone says 'We just came out of the forest and there's a hut here, which way to take now...'

DBA: Then they made 2 batches, got lost in a thick jungle and the 2nd batch left visiting cards on plants and trees for the 1st batch to find their way back...

The Language Of Business

QA: I had talked to an automation candidate...asked him what language was used in Winrunner. So he confidently said "English"!

Stand Up Comedy

PM: Hey what about the flow from this screen to that one?

BA: We are going to have a meeting at 3 pm to discuss navigation

PM: Who do you think should attend?

Dev: Christopher Columbus for sure

Just Do It

PM buys an expensive pair of running shoes

Developer: Can your running shoes be used normally also? I mean for walking etc.?

PM: Yes

Developer: Then what's special about it?

PM: It leaves you with a feeling that you could have spent the money on a weekend trip to Zurich

Super Eights

The project story wall has some numbers like 29.3, 32.5, 36.1 and so on.

Developer from UK: What are those numbers on the wall ?

someone explains they are the projected velocity in future iterations..."kinda like a required run rate"

Developer: Ah, so in case the project gets stopped somewhere in iteration 8 or 9 then we will have to use Duckworth Lewis method to figure out if we have been successful or not.

Always Read The Instructions

A developer gets a chair massage and his head is really getting pounded.

BD Guy: Why were you undergoing that?

Developer: I'm going to start work now. It's like the instruction on juices... shake well before use.

Diversity Issues

A developer is fixing a bug and asks a QA a question on Yahoo messenger. Here is the conversation

Developer: Hey! Can gender be 'null'?

QA: It could be if you don't get this fix in

Statistics Reveal Everything

Developer: Hey, I read that recent statistics reveal that 67% of boys are stupid

QA: That's okay man, I belong with the other 13%

Having Designs On Your Code

Developer: I am putting all the design patterns in my code.

BA: Why, are you joining FabIndia?

Developer: I will sell designer code in a few days!!!