Vitezslav Benes

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Software engineer with 10+ years of experience building full-stack apps, supporting product transitions, and making software to help users in their daily life. I enjoy tinkering with new technologies and AI

Experience

Software Engineer — Hylite Prague, Czechia | Remote | June 2022 – Present

Building and supporting product in transition from small businesses to the first 6 figure contract

Responsibilities:

- Maintaining and upgrading codebase, building and testing new features
- Keeping product live, ensuring uptime
- Communicating with leadership, providing project estimates

Co-Founder — Deprocrastination

Central Bohemia, Czechia | March 2017 – May 2022

Built products with thousands of users, helped 1000+ customers procrastinate less

Responsibilities:

- Building and optimizing interfaces from scratch
- Creating interactive digital products
- Writing blog posts, SEO, optimizing website (100k+ visits year)

Web Development Teacher — Classadoo

Part-time | Remote | April 2018 - June 2018

Taught several courses on JS basics, React Basics, and data visualization with d3.js

Educational Volunteer — Ubelong

Merida, Mexico | February 2016 – April 2016

Taught English classes, led group activities

Web Developer — ICEstudio

Kolin, Czech Republic | July 2015 – January 2016 Created front-end and back-end software for small-business websites

Skills

Frontend

Typescript, Javascript Next.js, React, MUI, Tailwind, Sass, CSS, Chrome Extension API

Backend & Infrastructure

Firebase, Google Cloud, CubeJS, RxJs, Jest, Express.js, MongoDB, Heroku, Vercel, PHP, MySQL

Languages

- English (C2) Completed Cambridge English: Proficiency (CPE) last year of highschool
- Spanish (B1)
- Czech (native)

Current Side-projects

BelowSurface

An AI-powered Next.js app for journaling-based self-reflection

- Extracts recurring themes and behaviors from user writing
- Frontend built with React, React-query, Tailwind
- Backend built with Firebase, OpenAI GPT API, deployed on Vercel

Education

Fellow, UnCollege San Francisco, USA | April 2016 – July 2016

Took part in 21st century gap year program, learning skills needed

Student, Gymnazium Kolin

Kolin, Czech Republic | September 2011 — June 2015

Taught myself programming, starting with Java basics, then transitioned to web development