

# **Justin Taraldsen**

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## **Summary of Qualifications**

Expertise in team management within a fast-paced, collaborative environment. Demonstrated success in providing exceptional customer service, achieving top-quality results under pressure, and excelling when performing multiple tasks at once. Fast learner and driven to action in all professional arenas.

## **Experience**

### **Chili John's Restaurant, Burbank, California**

*Shift Manager, February 2015 – March 2018*

- Oversaw all aspects of production and service of menu items, from ordering ingredients and kitchen equipment to ensuring guests' satisfaction.
- Trained kitchen staff on proper use of equipment and food handling standards.
- Trained front-of-house staff on customer service and menu knowledge standards.
- Controlled and reconciled cash drawer at the end of each day.
- Monitored and assisted colleagues both in the kitchen and dining room.

### **Chili John's Restaurant, Burbank, California**

*Server, June 2007 – January 2015*

- Served guests with a focus on the highest quality dining experience in historic Los Angeles area restaurant.
- Maintained orderly and sanitary work areas and equipment in accordance with California standards.
- Addressed any guest complaints in a professional and courteous manner.
- Tracked and fulfilled eat-in as well as to-go food orders.

## **Skills and Certifications**

- California Food Handlers' Card
- Food Protection Managers' Certification
- Experienced with Point of Sale (POS) system operation
- Established pattern of honest, punctual, trustworthy, and professional behavior.
- Significant experience working with colleagues, whether managing others or assisting managers.



**Cashier Test**

**Score** / 15

B

1) A roll of quarters is worth?

- a) \$5.00
- b) \$10.00
- c) \$15.00
- d) \$20.00

A

2) A roll of dimes is worth?

- a) \$5.00
- b) \$4.00
- c) \$3.00
- d) \$2.00

D

3) A roll of nickels is worth?

- a) \$8.00
- b) \$6.00
- c) \$4.00
- d) \$2.00

C

4) A roll of pennies is worth?

- a) \$1.00
- b) \$0.75
- c) \$0.50
- d) \$0.25

C

5) What does POS stand for?

- a) Patience over standards
- b) Percentage of sales
- c) Point of sales
- d) People over service

6) What is the current sales tax rate in your city 1.09?

7) A customer buys a bowl of soup for \$1.25, an apple \$0.90 and a soda is \$0.79. If you are given \$10.00 how much change should you give back?

- a) \$4.06
- b) \$2.06
- c) \$7.06
- d) \$5.06

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B

8) A customer buys two shirts for 10.50 each and two ball caps for \$7.25 each. If you are given \$50.00 how much change should you give back?

- a) \$19.50
- b) \$14.50
- c) \$9.50
- d) \$4.50

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B

9) A customer buys soda for \$3.75 and a hot dog for \$4.25. If you are given \$20.00 how much change should you give back?

- a) \$6.00
- b) \$8.00
- c) \$10.00
- d) \$12.00

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 7.50
 \end{array}$$

5.00

A

10) A customer buys two hamburgers at \$3.75 each, two bags of chips at \$1.25 each, two cookies at \$2.50 each and two sodas at \$3.25 each. If you are given \$100.00 how much change should you give back?

- a) \$78.50
- b) \$58.50
- c) \$38.50
- d) \$28.50

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 0.91 \\
 100.00 \\
 21.50 \\
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 78.50
 \end{array}$$

**Cashier Test**

**Score** / 15

- a 11) Counterfeit pens should be used on which three denominations?  
 a) \$20, \$50, \$100  
 b) \$10, \$20, \$50  
 c) \$5, \$50, \$100  
 d) \$10, \$20, \$50

- a 12) How many times should you count change when giving it to the customer?  
 a) one  
 b) two  
 c) three 4  
 d) no need to count

**Question & Answer:**

- 13) What is the minimum age for legal alcohol purchases? 21

- 14) What are the acceptable forms of ID for alcohol purchases? ID, Drivers License, Passport

- 15) How many \$20 bills are in a bank band? 100

**Multiple Choice**B

1) Food is served on what side with what hand?

- a) On the left side with the left hand
- b) On the left side with the right hand
- c) On the right side with the left hand
- d) On the right side with the right hand

A

2) Drinks are served on what side with what hand?

- a) On the left side with the left hand
- b) On the left side with the right hand
- c) On the right side with the left hand
- d) On the right side with the right hand

A

3) Food and drinks are removed on what side with what hand?

- a) On the left side with the left hand
- b) On the left side with the right hand
- c) On the right side with the left hand
- d) On the right side with the right hand

A

4) What part of a glass should you handle at all times?

- a) The stem
- b) The widest part of the glass
- c) The top

d

5) When you are setting a dining room how should you set up your tablecloths?

- a) Neatly and evenly across the tables
- b) The creases should all be going in the same directions
- c) The chairs should be centered and gently touching the table cloth
- d) All of the above

d

6) If you bring the wrong entrée to a guest what should you do?

- a) Go back into the kitchen and patiently wait in line behind the rest of the servers until it's your turn
- b) Inform the guests that you will bring the correct entrée once everyone else in the dinning room is served
- c) Try to convince the guests to eat what you brought them
- d) Go back into the kitchen to the front of the line and inform the expeditor that you need a different entrée

**Match the Correct Vocabulary**D Scullery

A. Metal buffet device used to keep food warm by heating it over warmed water

A Queen Mary

B. Style of service where food is prepared or served individually at the dinner table to fit the customer's specific taste (i.e. providing dressing and pepper for salad or handing out bread to each patron)

C Chaffing Dish

C. Used to hold a large tray on the dining floor

G French Passing

D. Area for dirty dishware and glasses

B Russian Service

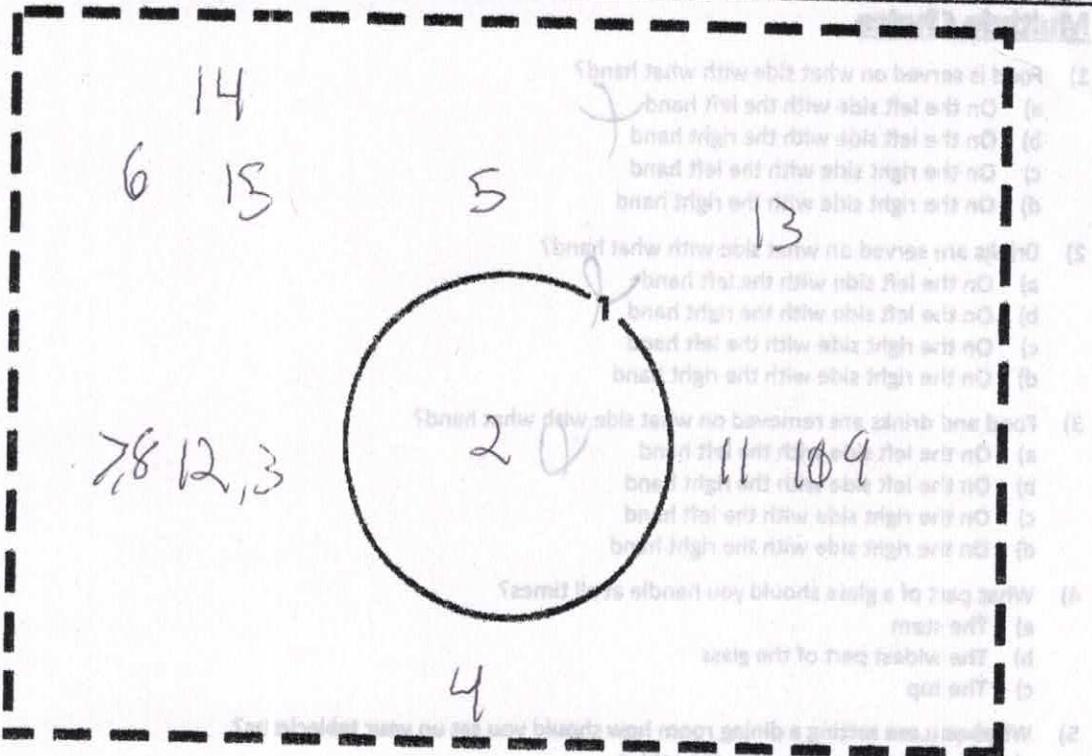
E. Large metal shelving unit for prepared food to be held or for dirty trays to be stored

F Corkscrew

F. Used to open bottles of wine

E ~~Tray Jack~~

G. Style of dining in which the courses come out one at a time



**Draw a formal place setting containing all of the following:**

- |                            |                  |                      |
|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Service Plate           | 7. Teaspoon      | 13. Water Glass      |
| 2. Salad Plate             | 8. Soup Spoon    | 14. Red Wine Glass   |
| 3. Bread Plate & Knife     | 9. Salad Fork    | 15. White Wine Glass |
| 4. Napkin                  | 10. Dinner Fork  |                      |
| 5. Name Place Card         | 11. Dessert Fork |                      |
| 6. Tea/Coffee Cup & Saucer | 12. Dinner Knife |                      |

**Fill in the Blank**

1. The utensils are placed 2 in 4 inch (es) from the edge of the table.
2. Coffee and Tea service should be accompanied by what extras? Sugar
3. Synchronized service is when: \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is generally indicated on the name placard other than the name? The Person Served
5. The Protein on a plate is typically served at what hour on the clock? 8 4
6. If a guest asks for a specialty dinner (i.e. Gluten-Free or Vegetarian) you should do what immediately? Inform the Server

Multiple Choice (1 point each)

D 1) A gallon is equal to \_\_\_\_ ounces

- a. 56
- b. 145
- c. 32
- d. 128

160

128

8

C 2) Mesclun are what type of vegetable?

- a. Roots
- b. Beans
- c. Salad Greens
- d. Spices

A 3) What does the term braise mean?

- a. Sear quickly on both sides
- b. Slowly cook in covered pan with little liquid
- c. Cook on high heat and quickly
- d. Slowly cook in simmering water

B 4) At what internal temperature must chicken be cooked so that it is safe to eat?

- a. 155 degrees F
- b. 165 degrees F
- c. 175 degrees F
- d. 185 degrees F

C 5) How do you blanche vegetables?

- a. Immerse for a short time in boiling water
- b. Cook lightly in butter over med heat
- c. Soak in cold water overnight
- d. Rub with salt before cooking

A 6) Which of the following ingredients would you pack before measuring?

- a. Olive Oil
- b. Salt
- c. Brown Sugar
- d. White Sugar

A 7) What is Al Dente?

- a. Firm but not hard
- b. Soft to the touch
- c. Very hard
- d. Very soft

A 8) Food should be left out no more than

- a. 2 hours
- b. 3 hours
- c. 4 hours
- d. 5 hours

**Prep Cooks Test**

D

- 9) Which is the improper way to thaw frozen food?

- a. In the fridge
- b. In a sink with cold water
- c. On the counter
- d. In the microwave



B

- 10) Which of the following can you use to put out a grease fire?

- a. Baking Soda
- b. Baking Powder
- c. Flour
- d. Water



B

- 11) What is the temperature range of the danger zone?

- a. 25-135
- b. 40-140
- c. 50-160
- d. 30-130

D

- 12) Which of the following is listed from smallest to largest?

- a. Dice, chop, mince
- b. Mince, chop, dice
- c. Chop, dice, Mince
- d. Mince, dice, chop

D

- 13) Which direction should pan handles be turned while cooking on the stove?

- a. Over the fire at all times
- b. Turned towards you for better control
- c. Turned towards the right or left at all times
- d. Over the countertop at all times

C

- 14) When you poach something, you cook it with what?

- a. Noodles
- b. Vegetables
- c. Liquid
- d. Oil

A

- 15) Which spoon is used to remove fat from soups and stews?

- a. Basting Spoon
- b. Ladle
- c. Slotted Spoon
- d. Portion Spoon

B

- 16) Which of the following means to cook in a small amount of fat?

- a. Season
- b. Sauté
- c. Broil
- d. Boil
- e. Fry

**Prep Cooks Test**

A

17) What is a Julien cut?

- a. Food cut into long thin strips, matchstick
- b. Food cut into long thin strips then turned and cut into a 1/8' dice
- c. Food diced into finely chopped and uniform pieces
- d. Cutting and peeling into oblong seven sided football like shapes

C

18) To cook a food in a pan without browning over low heat until the item softens and releases moisture.

- a. Sweat
- b. Boil
- c. Roast 
- d. Grill

Fill-in the Blank (1 point each)

19) Salt & Pepper are the basic seasoning ingredients for all savory recipes.

20) Dice: to cut into very small pieces when uniformity of size and shape is not important.

