Learning 2.0: Learning Today and Tomorrow

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- 1. How We Learn (Online)
- 2. Online Community (break)
- 3. Designing Online Learning
- 4. Technology Assignment

1. How We Learn

Assignment: How Do You Learn Today?

Reflect for a moment on how you learn today:

- How do you learn new policies and procedures?
- How do you learn how to use new technologies?
- How do you keep up with events and announcements?

2. Online Community

Assignment: Forming Your Communities

How Will You Organize Yourselves?

Form 6 groups...

- If you can't leave your seat and meet personally, what will you do?
- Meet personally how will you manage cooperation and collaboration?

3. Designing Online Learning

Assignment: Creating Learning

Over the break, organize your development plan.

- Each group will have its own assignment.
- Meet personally how will you manage your development project?

Your Learning Tasks

Group 1

An airline based in Adelaide is deploying a new reservation system. The company has provided a simulation that students can practice on. You have been asked to provide the students with additional resources, to help them share what they've learned and to create their own lessons to help each other.

Group 2

Children in Broome has been given inexpensive laptop computers. These computers can connect to the internet. You have been asked to support this program by providing online literacy education.

Group 3

Your company has won a contract from an Australian university to support its online learning program in Malaysia. You have been asked to create a learning community that can organize events for itself in KL and support each other by sharing resources.

Group 4

There has been a number of serious accidents involving the improper use of lawn mowers. The government has contracted you to set up a safety program for people. You cannot use radio, television or newspapers (these are too expensive). Can you organize the community to create safety training programs?

Group 5

An author has published a new book, *The Art of Persuasion*. The target market is business professionals around the world. The publisher would like to set up a community to help learners share stories. The publisher would also like to advertise training events and follow-up publications.

Group 6

Every high school in Australia has now been connected to the internet and the government would like students to take a course in Australian history. They would like students to create exhibits for a multimedia cultural fair based in Sydney in two years.

4. Learning Assignment

Assignment: Management Intervenes

Your manager has gone to a technology conference and has returned inspired.

- Each group must use a specific technology.
- You need to actually learn about this technology and plan how it will be used.
- You have 5 minutes

Assignment: Management Intervenes (2)

- 1. PHPWiki
- 2. Drupal
- 3. Ning
- 4. Edublogs
- 5. Wikispaces
- 6. Second Life

Presentations....