

Instructional Handout-Reflection

Overview→

The instructional handout was the first assignment in my Instructional Design course. Our task was to create a freestanding handout someone could use as a tool. This was an assignment I felt confident about. We were instructed to use Microsoft Word and to keep it at two pages. For this assignment, I completed a handout on changing your desktop background to an image already saved on your computer. This was an enjoyable assignment, I thought at first it was going to be very simple, however it did teach me several new features I was unaware about before. I learned to snip my screen, using the shape tool in Word and also use the special features available to image, such as reflections and glows.

How it met the standard→

Standard 1 reads that, "TCW demonstrate knowledge, skills, and dispositions to design conditions for learning that are fully grounded in principles, theories, and research associated with instructional systems design, message design, instructional strategies, and learner characteristics."

This assignment met standard one based on a number of conditions. During Instructional Design we were asked to focus on clean, crisp images, directions that flowed and consistency for the learner. Since the goal of this assignment was to teach someone how to do something consistency aided the learner in accomplishing this task. Arrows were used to help lead the learner through the steps and the directions were direct and simple. Word was used for the creation of this assignment because the instructor suggested it.

Future Learning→

Since completing this assignment I have updated and switched versions on Microsoft Word. I am currently running the newest MAC version of word. Since I am a former PC user switching to an updated version as well as a new operating system has presented a challenge for me. Making the transition to the MAC world will certainly require future learning. I am excited to learn some of the new features in word and implement them into my materials in my classroom.

Grade: 4 out of 4

Assignment Comments: Great job Jessica. Your directions are easy to follow and the screen shots assist the user in setting a desktop image on their computer. Use of boxes for each step and arrows directing attention will help the user step through your directions.