



LITERACY LAB

WHAT'S IN YOUR BAG / INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROFILE

OVERVIEW

How do you access information? Think about the information needs we mapped out in class in class this week. What devices, resources, and tools do you use to find information in your daily life? Do you Google it? Text a friend? Read a book?

In this assignment we would like you to create an information self-portrait as your introduction to the class. This self-portrait will take the form of a "what's in your bag?" style editorial and will be accompanied by a short (100-250 word) introduction outlining what you have in your information toolkit.

Examples of "Whats in your bag" visualizations:



<http://freshpics.blogspot.com/2010/12/whats-in-your-bag.html>

DUE DATE

Literacy Lab 1 is due 9/3/2012 before 11:55 PM

LAB DIRECTIONS

Step by step directions for completing the assignment.

1. Take a self-portrait photograph (with a digital camera, cell phone, or webcam)
2. Arrange the tools you use to find/ access information on a surface where they can easily be displayed and photographed. Photograph them!
3. Upload both photographs to an image editing program of your choice and create your "What's in your bag?" visualization. (You could use Gimp, Photoshop, Publisher, Pages, PowerPoint, etc. – if you aren't sure how to upload/edit an image, see one of the instructors during office hours)
4. Insert the image into a word processing program and type a brief explanation (100-250 words) of your information toolkit.
5. Submit your assignment to the course website as a single document in Word (.doc, .docx) or PDF (.pdf) format.

GRADING RUBRIC

Percent of grade = 4%

Total possible points = 4 points

Criteria	Points
Information Technology Self-Portrait <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes your image• Includes image of your tools	2
Brief Explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrates critical thought about the tools you use to find and access information• Communicates how these tools meet your information needs, relating this to the in class conversation• Clearly explains your creative choices	1.5
Follows all formatting guidelines (pdf, doc, docx) and submission requirements (single file with image and text online in course system).	.5
TOTAL	4