

Anytime Learning Literacies Environment (ALLE) Project

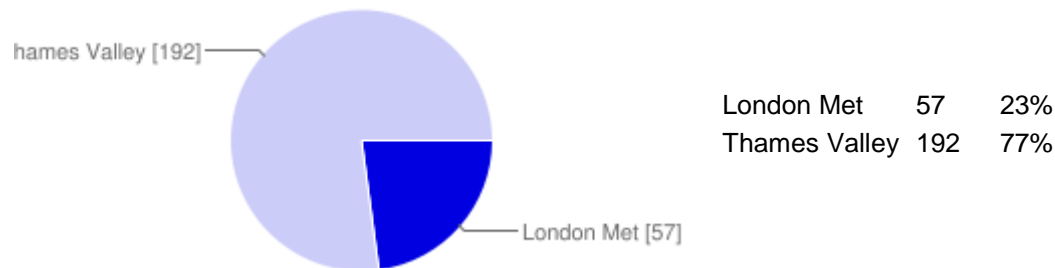
Pre-test Questionnaire Results

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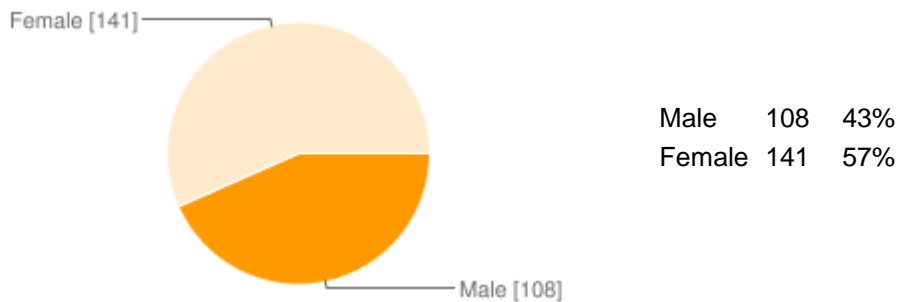
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249 responses from 1st year Business students

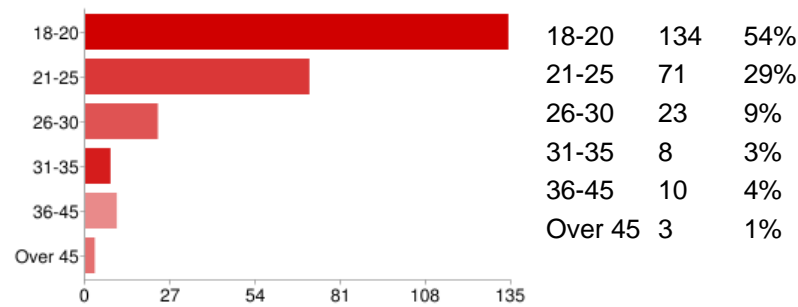
University



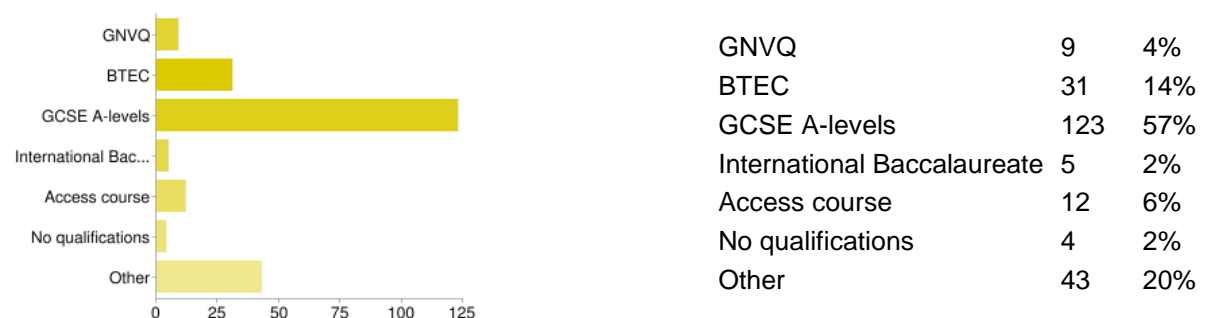
Gender



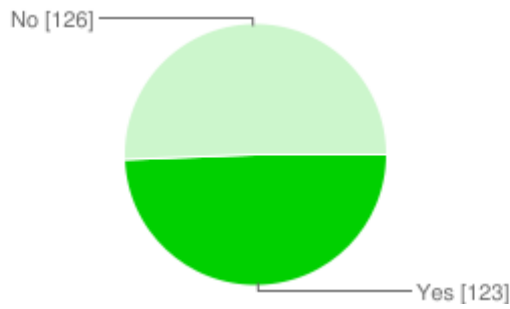
Age



Highest previous educational qualification

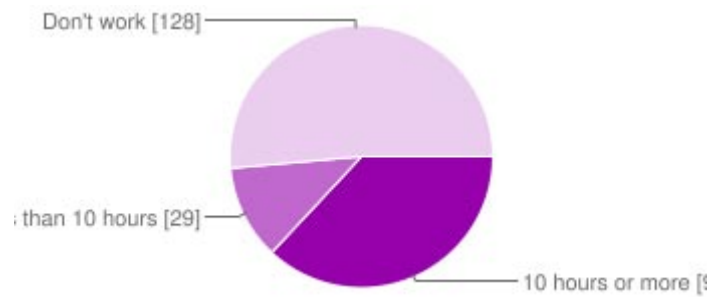


Is English your first language?



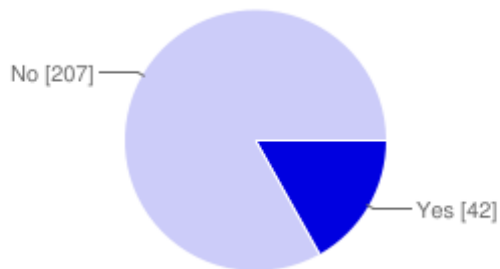
Yes	123	49%
No	126	51%

Employment status



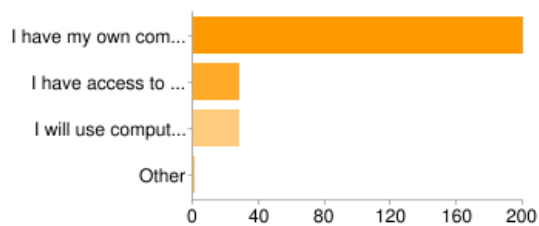
10 hours or more	92	37%
Less than 10 hours	29	12%
Don't work	128	51%

Do you have other responsibilities?



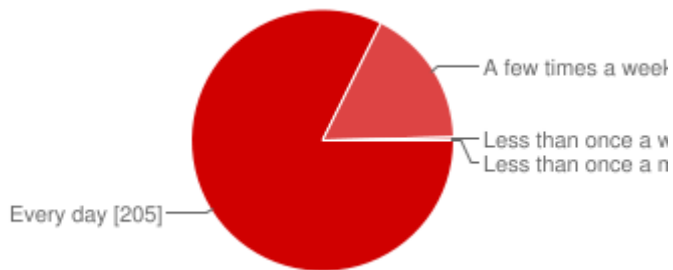
Yes	42	17%
No	207	83%

Computer and Internet access



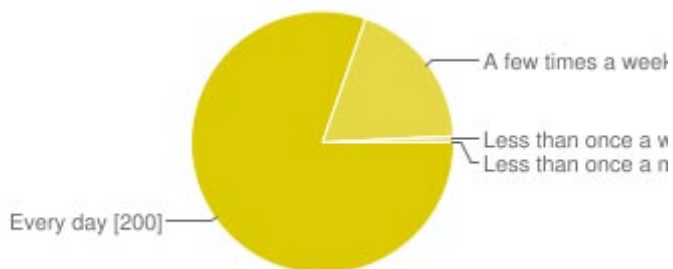
I have my own computer with Internet access	200	83%
I have access to a shared computer(s) and Internet access	28	12%
I will use computers at University	28	12%
Other	1	0%

I use a computer



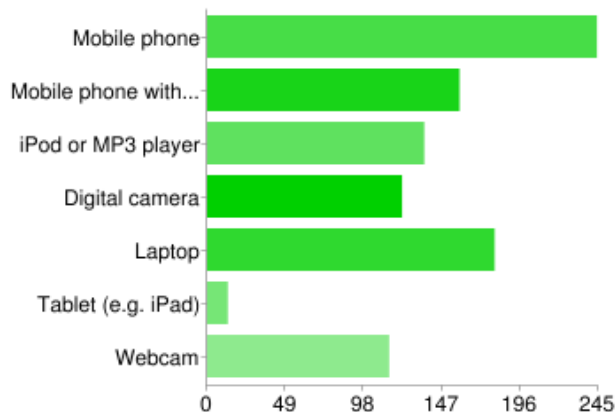
Every day	205	82%
A few times a week	43	17%
Less than once a week	1	0%
Less than once a month	0	0%

I use the Internet



Every day	200	80%
A few times a week	47	19%
Less than once a week	2	1%
Less than once a month	0	0%

I own the following technologies



Mobile phone	244	98%
Mobile phone with Internet access	158	63%
iPod or MP3 player	136	55%
Digital camera	122	49%
Laptop	180	72%
Tablet (e.g. iPad)	13	5%
Webcam	114	46%

In my personal and social life I do the following

Use social networking (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, MySpace)	208	86%
Download podcasts	32	13%
Use instant messaging or chat (e.g. MSN, iChat)	148	61%
Watch videos or live TV on websites	180	75%
Upload videos or photos onto the Internet	143	59%
Use advanced functions on my mobile phone (e.g. Internet, email, social networking)	145	60%
Participate in online discussions groups or chatrooms	44	18%
Use wikis / blogs / online networks	61	25%
Maintain my own blog or website	30	12%

Section 2

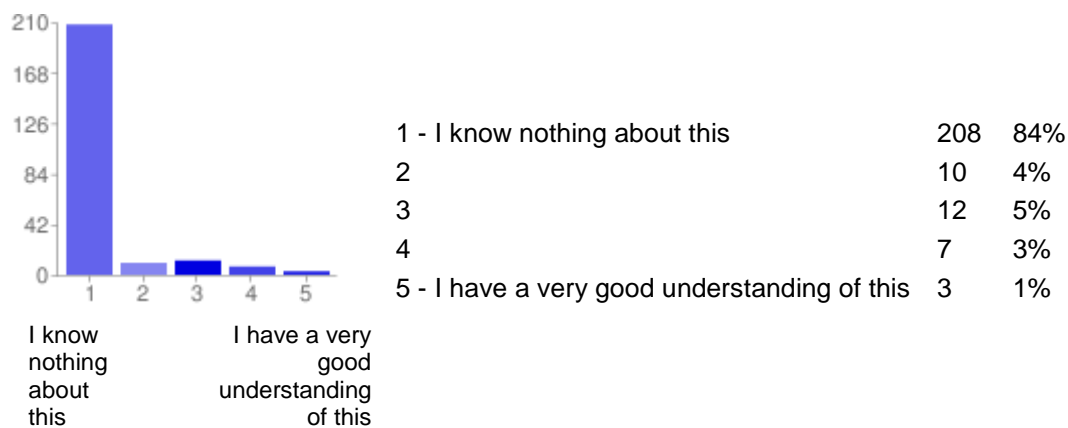
The next questions ask what you already know about some of the topics we are going to be teaching you about. It is important that you give us an honest answer to each question - we are just trying to understand what you already know about these topics. It is fine if you know nothing at all about them, because we are going to be teaching you about them over the coming weeks. The answers you give are passed straight to our researcher, and so your tutor will not base any of your marks on your answers.

The following skills questions were rated on a 5-point Likert scale:

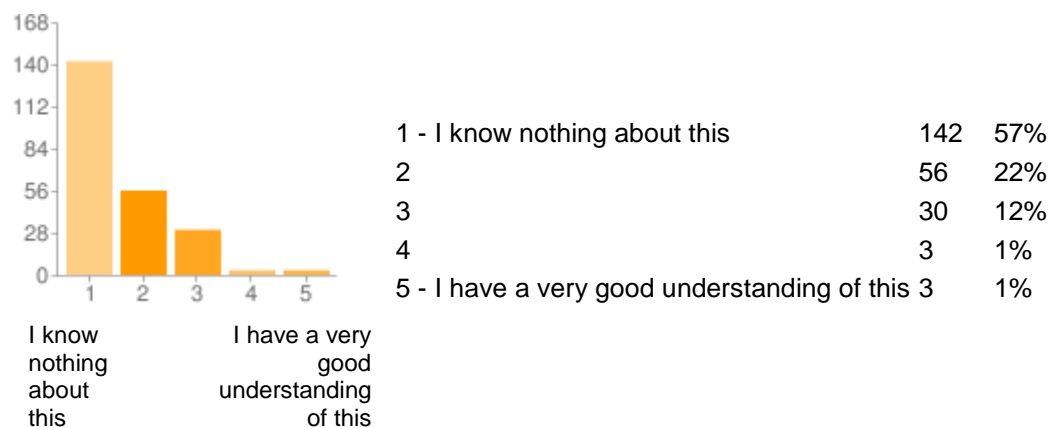
- 1 = I know nothing about this
- 2 = I know a little about this
- 3 = I have a basic understanding
- 4 = I have a good understanding
- 5 = I have a very good understanding of this

Using computers and the Internet

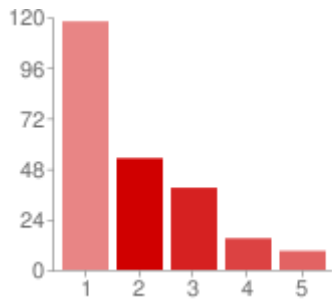
Making presentations using 'Prezi'



Using an electronic portfolio for personal development (e-portfolio)



Using a virtual learning environment (VLE)

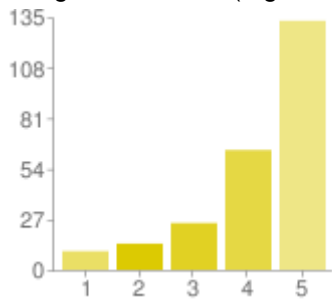


1 - I know nothing about this	118	47%
2	53	21%
3	39	16%
4	15	6%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	9	4%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Using social media (e.g. Facebook, YouTube, blogs)

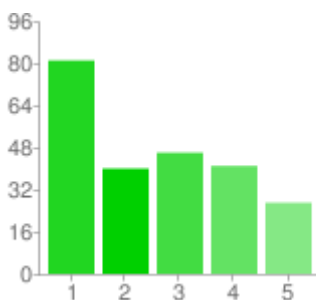


1 - I know nothing about this	10	4%
2	14	6%
3	25	10%
4	64	26%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	133	53%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Collaborative document writing

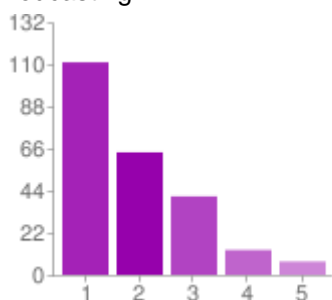


1 - I know nothing about this	81	33%
2	40	16%
3	46	18%
4	41	16%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	27	11%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Podcasting



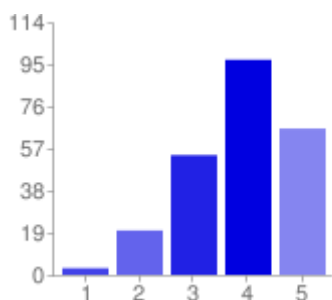
1 - I know nothing about this	111	45%
2	64	26%
3	41	16%
4	13	5%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	7	3%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Finding and using information

Finding and accessing information

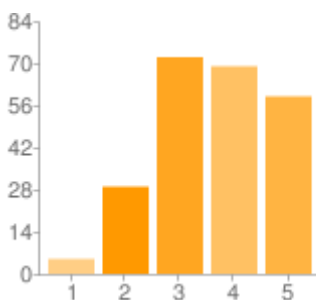


1 - I know nothing about this	3	1%
2	20	8%
3	54	22%
4	97	39%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	66	27%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Understanding a reading list

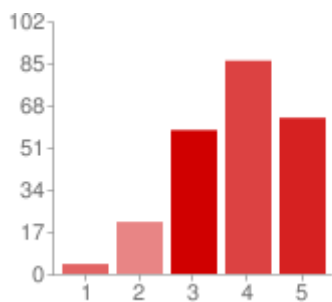


1 - I know nothing about this	5	2%
2	29	12%
3	72	29%
4	69	28%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	59	24%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Being able to find a book in the library

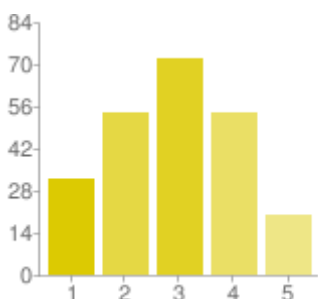


1 - I know nothing about this	4	2%
2	21	8%
3	58	23%
4	86	35%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	63	25%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Using and evaluating journal articles

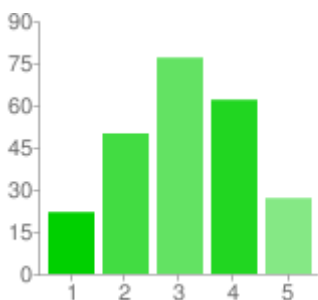


1 - I know nothing about this	32	13%
2	54	22%
3	72	29%
4	54	22%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	20	8%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Evaluating information sources



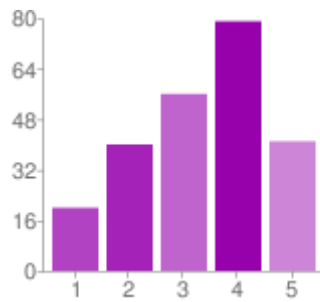
1 - I know nothing about this	22	9%
2	50	20%
3	77	31%
4	62	25%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	27	11%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Studying

Concept or mind mapping

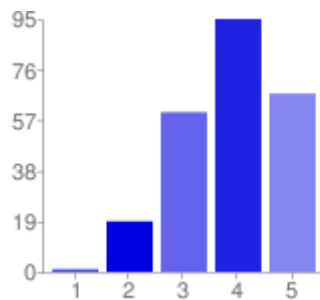


1 - I know nothing about this	20	8%
2	40	16%
3	56	22%
4	79	32%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	41	16%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Making useful notes

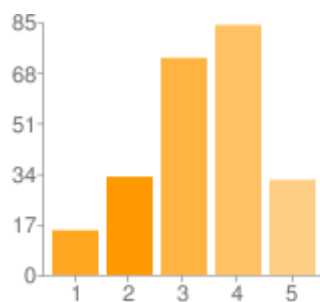


1 - I know nothing about this	1	0%
2	19	8%
3	60	24%
4	95	38%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	67	27%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Writing for academic purposes

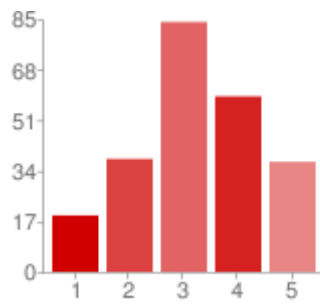


1 - I know nothing about this	15	6%
2	33	13%
3	73	29%
4	84	34%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	32	13%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Referencing other peoples work

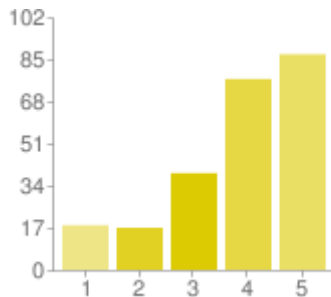


1 - I know nothing about this	19	8%
2	38	15%
3	84	34%
4	59	24%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	37	15%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

Understanding about plagiarism

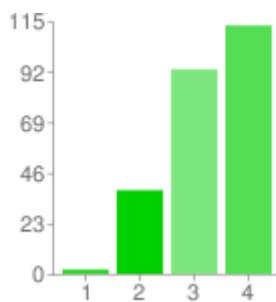


1 - I know nothing about this	18	7%
2	17	7%
3	39	16%
4	77	31%
5 - I have a very good understanding of this	87	35%

I know nothing about this

I have a very good understanding of this

How confident do you feel on the whole about your current skills in 'Using computers and the Internet'?

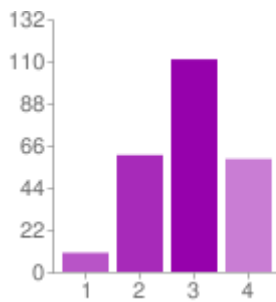


1 - I am not confident at all	2	1%
2 - I think I will be OK	38	15%
3 - I am confident	93	37%
4 - I am very confident	113	45%

I am not confident at all

I am very confident

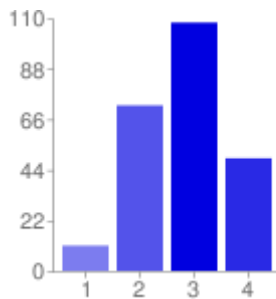
How confident do you feel on the whole about your current skills in 'Finding and using information'?



1 - I am not confident at all	10	4%
2 - I think I will be OK	61	24%
3 - I am confident	111	45%
4 - I am very confident	59	24%

I am not confident at all I am very confident

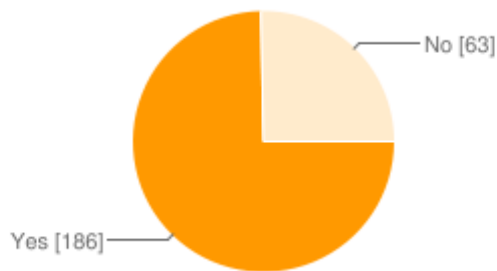
How confident do you feel on the whole about your current skills in 'Studying / study skills'?



1 - I am not confident at all	11	4%
2 - I think I will be OK	72	29%
3 - I am confident	108	43%
4 - I am very confident	49	20%

I am not confident at all I am very confident

Have you used online resources to support your learning before?



Yes	186	75%
No	63	25%

What are your thoughts about having online resources to support your learning?

They are useful, but also like the use of books for research.

I am looking forward to it.

They are good as you find more information and it shows you have got your information from somewhere and where.

I am looking forward to using these sources as i have never come across such resources and because i use computers frequently, i can learn quickly and use them well.

Think its great to have so much information available in one place.

Online resources are helpful. Can be easy to access.

I am looking forward to having some.

I find them very useful as i prefer to find information online rather than reading a book.

I find it helpful in being able to support an argument.

I think they are very useful as work cannot be lost, also a good way to submit work.

I think online learning resources is a great help. As i now will be able to access all the information i need from home via the internet, e.g. e-book would save me going to the library.

It's very good to have.

I think that i will prefer to learn using online resources. I have always preferred learning this way throughout my student life.

I find them helpful.

I am looking forward to doing the on-line resources exercise, as a way of learning more.

I think i will find them helpful.

I'm looking forward to learning how to use them for now and the future.

Looking forward to it but nervous about failing.

Find reading on computer screens hard, prefer paper copies.

Online resources have been a huge benefit when studying for my NVQ and currently as a potential Forest school leader. The information allows better access rather than relying on books. I like a mixture of online and books.

It's help me to find an information i need and i like it because I always can find something new, something interesting information.

It's hard to answer because never before used them and I could only guess but hopefully it will be useful for me.

I find it helpful/useful and look forward to use online resources.

I am looking forward to use them.

I think it's useful.

I think online resources are very useful and they are helpful.

Looking forward to having some.

Useful to an extent but preferably better to use annotated texts/articles in front of me.

I think it is a useful tool and is good for help. Yes it is a good way to learn and easy to access information.

I'd rather not as i'm not too fond of online resources.

I'd prefer using the library than using a computer and technology.

I prefer online learning as it gives you more time to learn.

Looking forward to advancing knowledge in this area, believe it will prove to be very beneficial, especially in this "day + age!".

I don't prefer to learn this way. I prefer to have hard copies of resources to look back on when revising etc.

I like them, i think they're helpful.

I really like the use of online resources because it does help out a lot with the work i am doing.

Having online resources also gives me a thorough understanding of what is to be done.

Quicker and easier to understand than reading a book etc.

Excited as i am always willing to learn new things.

Looking forward.

I look forward to using the blackboard, as it's a first time for me to use an electronic portfolio.

Good.

I think this will be very helpful throughout my university studies.

Easy to access.

Sometimes they are helpful and sometimes they are not.

I find them helpful.

Employment of the next 20 Century will be more dependant on tele-communications, therefore the same will be part of communication.

Online resources are very helpful, it makes things very obtainable.

It's really useful by using online resources, it is a good way for study.

I am really interested in online resources that will help me learn, simply because they are easy to access and save time by accessing them at home.

I am willing and able to access online material to enhance my studies. It might seem difficult at the beginning but hopeful with my determination i think i am equal to every challenge.

I feel online resources will benefit me as more information will be more readily available.

None.

I look forward to seeing how it works.

I think it is very useful, as it allows you to enhance your skills.

I think that being provided with online resources will enhance my knowledge and my skills in a changing environment.

I believe it makes it easier for students and contributes to the developments of your skills.

I definately prefer to learn this way.

I believe it will improve my skills in technology.

These resources are very useful as it enables students, to obtain learning materials whilst away from the educational institution.

I believe it will help alot with my learning and it is much more convenient.

Not quite.

Very supportive Information there and it helps always.

It will help you to progress on your course.

Helpful to me and very supportive and it's always helping to make notes and many more.

I think it might be a good idea to start from somewhere which i'm not afraid of.

Of course it's actually helpful.

I think it will be useful for us.

I think online resources are very helpful to support my learning.

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I find them useful for having all resources in one place.

I find them helpful + look forward to using them more.

Online Resources creates learning and understanding and this also provides sources of evidence for example electronic journals can be used to prevent plagiarism. Online resources also enables group activity and this can lead to group discussion, and contribution can be made using Blackboard.

I am looking forward to using online resources to aid my learning.

I think it is very useful to have access to information online.

Yeah online resources is a good way to support our learning. There is a less hassle of papers. Won't be lost and we can take a look at anytime we like.

Yes, they can be very useful, i have recordings of lecture and uploads as a video is a good idea.

My opinion is that online resources are beneficial to support my learning as I need to develop my 'finding and using information' skills.

I find them helpful.

Currently considering as I haven't tested online learning.

N/A

Very convenient not too fussy at times provides good knowledge.

Looking forward for learning more and more skills.

I find online resources much more helpful than using resources like books etc. as it's much faster and more accessible.

I am looking forward to have them.

I am looking forward to it and I definitely prefer this way of learning.

I think online resources to support learning are very useful. I have used online resources before but they have been more basic than the ones used at London Met. I am looking forward to becoming more familiar with London Met's online resources.

I found them helpful.

I enjoy being able to access information in my own home so I know I am able to study beyond opening hours.

I would like to have online resources to support me.

N/A

Online resources have always been faster to use and easier to access, that is why I have been using them, and I will continue to use them.

I do prefer to use a computer when learning but can be tedious when researching information and reading. Plus can be unreliable due to system errors.

I think it will be useful to have online resources but could be potentially problematic with information not loading/coming up, crashes etc.

They are essential.

Online resources have a wide variety of information - that's why it's so useful. Prefer using both books and Internet.

I prefer to learn this way as I am used to the Internet and using computers.

I have learnt so much about source & internet.

I prefer the old fashion devices but I understand the importance of online resources nowadays and I wish to have it as part of my studies.

To my mind the Internet is very useful and a vital medium in our generation and in the future!

I like online resources because you are more flexible, but I prefer to read long texts on paper instead of screens.

I find online resources very useful for my studies, more than I would from books etc. I much prefer to learn this way.

I hope i will be able to use them wisely and properly.

I have never used them before so I hope I will learn fast.

I think online resources are very useful because it means the information is available to everybody all the time. I am very confident using the Internet so I think I would find learning this way interesting and easy.

I'm looking forward to it.

Looking forward to having some.

I find it more organised and manageable by being able to access resources through the net, and so am happy they are available, as oppose to just 'books' and 'writing' which are non-interactive.

I think online resources are useful. I'm very looking forward to having some once I know how. Technology is time consuming. Once I get the habit of using, I think I won't look back.

Learning this way will be very useful for me as i have access to the internet most of the time at home, at work and on mobile so i am looking forward to the experience.

I prefer books + reading + writing but in today's working environment this computer literacy is vital and I am looking forward to improving + learning new skills.

Yes, I find very interesting to learn from online.

I feel that the Internet and using online resources are important in today's society that it would be important for me to broaden my understanding of learning from the Internet but still being aware that the sources may not always be reliable.

Looking forward.

I am looking forward to having some support of learning. It will also be helpful. I prefer to learn this way!

I find them an easy way to access information. I think they are sometimes very useful and I am OK using this as one way of learning.

No opinion at the moment.

I think it will be a good challenge.

I am looking forward to it.

I prefer it.

I prefer them.

Going online makes research much easier specially when having children and going to the local library.

I think having online resources are very useful and can be accessed very easily and anywhere. Instead of having to go to the library.

They help students have a better understanding as most of the time they have to put it in their own words.

Yes.

I think they are helpful.

I am looking forward to have some, but i prefe books.

Useful.

Online resources are very very useful. I just need more time to use them for studying. It will be great if i got more link for my study.

I find this helpful, because for instance you can access to them also from home.

We'll see how it goes.

It is really helpful online resource. I really like them.

N/A

Online resources are very helpful and usually provide in depth information.

I prefer to learn this way because i find to be very useful.

It will be beneficial when you don't have access to books or other materials.

Having online resources is a great way to support learning. However, it is not always depend on having online resources.

Resources with too much text makes me stop reading. Most of the resources are quite useful.

A very good backup incase i missed out something during the lecture.

Yes, i am looking forward to using on-line resources as a means of obtaining further information.

I like using online support, its easier to use.

I think it is helpful, but sometimes it is sometimes confusing on the website.

I think online resources such as library and other educational websites can help to support and improve our learning.

I find them helpful and looking forward to having some.

I find that I base my research on the Internet a lot but when referencing resources it doesn't look good. So I try to use books and other sources too but it wouldn't be my first choice! I dont' know what 'Prezi' is as I would normally use PowerPoint. Having online resources such as weblearn is a great thing for me as it's quick and easy!

I haven't used online resources to support my learning before but I think it can be helpful.

Very useful.

I find online resources helpful but I also prefer using other materials to support my learning, such as books.

I do find them very helpful.

I find that using the Internet is an enormous help when learning. It is easy, fast and there are hundreds of thousands of websites and resources which are available to you within seconds of typing into a search engine what you want to find out. I definitely prefer using the Internet when learning.

I don't mind them as long as it's easy to understand.

It would be interesting to use as it may help me more although I have not used it, I may like it.

Yes I find they stimulate my writing!

Online resources are helpful as long as I don't copy the information gained for my own purpose.

I have webcam in my laptop but I have never used it (haven't needed to). Didn't know the meaning of podcast.

I prefer to use online as somewhere to refer to but not in place of actual teaching.

Find them quite helpful if do not understand something.

I'm looking forward to having them, easier access, can do that from home.

It has been a long time since I studied last time and therefore the whole way of teaching has changed. The whole concept of weblearning and on-line sources/library is all very new to me and I am trying to learn it in the same time. I find it slightly confusing at times due to every module displaying on-line material in different way. I have not even tried any other module provided on-line sources or library as yet.

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