Simple Text Spike Templates

For this unit you have been given a number of spike plans that you need to do, so you do not need to write your own spike plans.

However, you might find you want to create your own spike plans to close your own personal knowledge or skill gaps. It's an excellent way to develop portfolio pieces for this unit, and is a very useful formal structured method you can apply to other units or work environments.

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Spike Plan Template
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Title:
Context:
Knowledge/Skill Gap:
Goals/Deliverables:
Start-End Period: ##-##
Planning Notes:
Extensions:
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Use the spike outcome report template to communicate your findings. A simple text file report is usually fine, however there are occasions when images are great or required. Other formats like mark-down could also be used. Create final pdf's of your reports if this is the case.

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Spike Outcome Report
Number: ##
Spike Title: #####
Personal: Your name and student id
Goals:
#### (copy the spike plan goal)
Technologies, Tools, and Resources used:
#### (list of information needed by someone trying to reproduce your work)
Tasks undertaken:
* #### (show key tasks likely to help another developer)
* INCLUDE GIT COMMIT HISTORY
What we found out:
* #### Graph/Screen shot/outcome list/notes
Open issues/risks [Optional]:
* #### List out the issues and risks that you have been unable to resolve at the end of
the spike. You may have uncovered a whole range of new risks as well
* eg. Risk xyz (new)
Recommendations [Optional]:
* ### You may state that another spike is required to resolve new issues identified
(or) indicate that this
spike has increased the teams confidence in XYZ and move on.
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There is also a MS Word (docx) Spike Report Template available on the unit website.