Wk 01: Reflection

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Total Points 100

• 10 pts Questions Behavior: (What now?...my ideas are starting to emerge!)

What is the most significant take-a-way you have gained from your study this week?

My most significant take-a-way is when I learned the amount of time programming can take without a team. I am new to computers and programming, and sometimes I hear about how there are some people who can make their own website or even video games all by themselves, and I always thought that was impressive, but after learning that some programs have millions of lines of code, I have a new found appreciation for those working on or off a team to create these programs.

What did you learn by explaining this week's topic to someone not in this class?

I learned that I was not the only person starting out with computers who thought that teamwork is not an important thing to learn when it comes to programming. I was explaining this to my brother who doesn't know much about computers, and he was amazed that teamwork and creativity play a big part in computer science, which is something a lot of people assume, and something I did not realize until I started programming.

• 20 pts Questions Cognitive: (Wow, I learn?... Ok that is deep!)

Why is this week's topic important for teamwork?

Me and my teammates did an exercise in my class that involved looking for matching symbols without communicating directly to the manager and the two leads. Even though I couldn't say much, I was amazed at how my team came up with a way to narrow down the symbols quick enough to succeed. This exercise gave me the opportunity to quickly catch on to the solution. And despite not coming up with the idea myself, my perception and willingness to participate allowed me to act accordingly to their solution, which allowed us to achieve our goal.

How do plan on contributing to the team, besides completing your tasks?

I want to work hard to actively communicate with my team and to get to know them better. Knowing our weaknesses and strengths will help us determine what responsibilities work best for us, which in turn will help fill the gap of any weaknesses we may have, resulting in a greater outcome of performance.

How does your experience relate to other experiences you have had?

I had a lot of experience working with other people back when I was a manager of a grocery store. I had to assign tasks that worked best for the employees based on their strengths and weaknesses. For example, I worked with another manager who took care of the supply, ordering and organizing of the shelves and employees, while I mainly worked in the office because of my experience working with payroll, POS, QuickBooks and money management. So far, I can relate to a lot about teamwork that is being taught in this class, and I am looking forward to gaining more experience working with others throughout this semester.

If this was a religion class, how would you relate this week's topic to the gospel?

Throughout my time in the relief society, I noticed that a lot of what they teach is on togetherness and how we can better help people in our lives. I believe the same can be said in the workplace, especially when teams are faced with big projects. It takes a great deal of trust and comradery to achieve these heavy goals, which is why Christ has appointed many bishops, councilors and teachers in the church such as the relief society. The Prophet is not meant to lead this church alone, and neither are we in the workplace.