

Scoping Exercise

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1 A Day in the Life

I need to:

- Search the university library database for articles, books and other resources.
- Organise the articles I have downloaded into an orderly fashion for ease of access.
- Skim through the articles I pick and select the most relevant ones for my research project for the day.
- Edit several pages worth of text.
- Write and file ideas etc. which may be used later.
- Referencing.
- Create a list to plan my day.
- Create a mind-map to gather my thoughts.
- Contact my supervisor to clarify something.
- Assimilate a significant amount of theoretical knowledge.

2 Pains and Pain relievers

- *Making sure my grammar and word use is correct.* RELIEVER: A grammar and spell checking application.
- *Make sure my work is fully referenced and the bibliography is consistent.* RELIEVER: An automatic referencing application
- *Memorising and understanding complex ideas and theories.* RELIEVER: Some kind of software to create easy to follow 'cheat sheets' to help with memorisation. If it can also set a timer to dictate the duration between exposures to aid in my memory that would be a bonus.

3 Gains and gain creators

- *I would like to be able to open multiple similar articles in the one place and easily search for terms within them collectively and seamlessly.* CREATOR: An application which allows for multiple PDF's, Word Docs and other documents to be open within it which enables cross document searches.
- *I would like to map out the main arguments of single and multiple papers in an easy to absorb way.* CREATOR: An application which allows me to chunk papers and other large amounts of texts and data into smaller pieces.