Self-Reflection

Q1. How did I find learning Java?

* For a variety of reasons, learning Java was difficult for me. The time allotted for this topic went by so quickly. I also had trouble grasping concepts like objects and instances. I spent about an extra 20 hours at home attempting to figure things out. It was a terrific way for me to learn to watch someone code and then explain what each line included, why it would be utilised in this case, and how to write it. I felt lost and behind in class because we were in week two and I was still trying to remember early week one material, which meant I was missing out on a lot. Even though this is a cert four, I found it to be difficult to learn, especially without any prior coding experience.

Q2. What do I think of Java?

* I believe it is too early to say if I like Java or not because I am currently learning it. The OOP is one feature that I believe would be quite beneficial. It appears to be beneficial to be able to write something once and then utilise it whenever and wherever. Again, I have no idea where or when I will need to use this at this point.

Q3. What did I learn about myself?

* I struggled with this topic the entire time. I was stressed out and didn't want to be there. Not because of the substance, but because I was having trouble understanding and keeping up. So, I think I've learned that learning new things at this level requires more time.

Q4. What I did like & what I didn’t like….

* Again, it's too soon to say what I liked; I believe there are elements that could be useful, but I'm not sure how they'd fit in to meet needs at this time. I know I didn't enjoy having to try to put things in place when I didn't understand the language or the syntax.

Final Thoughts

* Overall, I found this to be quite stressful and difficult. I felt like I needed to learn a new IDE and coding language to stay up with the curriculum while still completing homework. Instead of tiny steps, it felt like I was running a marathon, and I didn't enjoy moments of it. I'm still not sure I comprehend what we talked about.