

Reflection-1

A1. I choose CSC104 because I love computers! Actually, the thing I love is computer games not computer itself. I start to play computer games when I was in the primary school, and I really enjoy playing games with my friends. However, my parents don't want me to spend time on the “useless thing”. They set the password for the computer and lock the door of the room to stop me from playing computer games. Rather than relieving the situation, their actions made me want to know computer better. I’m dreaming that I can make my own games and let my friends to play it. We have computer course in school, but the things they teach us is how to use Word, Powerpoint, etc not programing. And now, I finally got a change to learn the real thing about computers. Although I didn't choose computer science as my major(string-append “soooooo ” “sad!”), but I really want to learn the real programing and make some little games that I can show off to my friends in this course.

A2. In my opinion, programming is the thing that combines strings and functions, and develop some basic things to higher levels and make benefits(convenience) to people. I never programed before, but compare with the experience of using programs(Word, Excel) and playing computer games, programing is more like a magnifying glass to explore the core of programs and make us understand how they work.

A3. To be honest, I felt bored in the first week because I’m not interested in how to rotate images or combine them. Maybe, the only interesting thing is the cute animals that Gary choose in the lecture. However, when I started to learn strings and how to create a new function, it becomes more interesting and this is the thing I want to learn.

A4. I’m definitely ok with the basic functions because they acts like what they means. Sometimes, Gary speaks a little bit fast in the lecture, and it is hard to follow his actions. And I’m kind of struggle with the programing part, but after I review the notes that Gary posts on the website, things become clearer. Therefore, the course is not hard once we follow what he said in class and review the notes on the website, but that is not an easy course if you don't go to class and review that we learnt.

A5. As for the quizzes, I would try to do all the preparation questions, and if I find something that I don’t understand, I still have change to ask questions in the tutorial. All the things in the quizzes is about that we learnt in class, so that is not a big trouble for me. I’m satisfied my performance on them, but I will still study hard to make all the rest quizzes perfect.

A6. My favorite topic of computer science is Game Design, this is my dream! When I was a little boy, I really enjoy creating verbal role-play games(kind of like Dungeons & Dragons) with my friends. And I really want to be a game designer. Although my major is economics and mathematics, and I still have a huge passion of game design. Both of my parents are working in banks, so they want me to study finance rather than the things they thought are not useful. I’m so regret that I didn't choose computer science as my major, and it is too late to say that. But I will never give it up, maybe working in the market department of a game company is not a bad choice.