Background Research

Articles I looked at was mostly about communications between parents and children. I also looked at some app design articles to find out more about app design because it is my first time doing it.

The main thing both authors talked about communications is that, it is important to understand where our parents are coming from. It is easy to get into arguments when we talk to each other in a way of seeing the other side being against us. One point Philip Guo brings up is that, our experience in America is very different than their experience in their home country. Guo also explains why Asian parents being "so obsessed with grades," it is because grades look like something that can make a living. Anabel Gonzalez also offers many practical tips of talking to non-English speaking parents. Gonzalez focuses on how we can take initiative in communication, such as using translating apps. In my app in the tips section, I think I could put some pointers on problems user may encounter. If they encounter problems talking to their parents, they can click on some common problems and view the way to think through it.

In the article about app design, I learned that in the limited amount of time that I have, I cannot afford to have unspecific ideas in my head before I design the app. I have to "start without even using the computer." I would refine my ideas on paper and pencil to avoid wasting time. Javier Cuello also points out certain apps "look like website more than native app." That is a good point to keep in mind as I design my app.

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