

Cognitive Walkthrough Example Form

Briefly describe the system being evaluated:

Briefly describe the target users of this system (background, experience, etc.):

Briefly describe the task(s) to be evaluated:

Task 1: Create array

Task Steps for Task 1	Will the user know what to do next to make progress?	Will the user notice how to perform the correct action?	Will the user interpret the system response correctly?
<p>1.2</p> <p>Click and Drag out an array</p>	<p>The pop-up box that appears in previous step reads "click in the animation window and drag the mouse to create and size an array." The user will therefore have an idea what to do next.</p>	<p>This is questionable, since the instructions are actually not quite right. A more precise instruction would be "Position the mouse at location where you'd like the array, press and hold the left mouse button, drag out an array, and finally release the mouse button." Further, the user may have trouble knowing what the "animation window" is, since it lacks a signifier.</p>	<p>The user will see the array appear, along with a "create array" statement. This will likely serve as confirmation that the array was created. However, the array may not be the correct size (6), which will require corrective action on the part of the user (see next step)</p>

Task 2: Populate array

Task Steps for Task 2	Will the user know what to do next to make progress?	Will the user notice how to perform the correct action?	Will the user interpret the system response correctly?
<p>2.1</p> <p>Click the populate tool</p>	<p>Fill in</p>	<p>Fill in</p>	<p>Fill in</p>

Task 4: Create array index

Task Steps for Task 4	Will the user know what to do next to make progress?	Will the user notice how to perform the correct action?	Will the user interpret the system response correctly?
4.1 Choose "Create Index" tool	Fill in	Fill in	Fill in

Discussion of successes and failures

[Include a couple of paragraphs here discussing successes and failures in detail and using appropriate design principles discussed in class and found in the readings]

From the slides:

Summarize results

- Identify aspects of the design that worked
- Identify potential usability issues
- Where possible, use concepts from class to explain usability issues

Design suggestions

[Include a couple paragraphs here discussing the design changes in detail and citing design principles discussed in class and found in the readings as justification. You also need to attach annotated screenshots and/or sketches illustrating suggested changes where applicable]

From the slides:

Suggest design changes

- For each usability issue, suggest a concrete change to remedy the issue
- Use annotated screen sketches to illustrate your suggested changes, as appropriate.