

Assignment 1 - Reading and Analyzing Writing

Brief

- 1) Before Reading:
 - a) Choose ONE of the following articles to read:
 - i) Option 1: A good read: Building Duolingo ABC for Android
 - ii) Option 2: To Be Energy-Efficient, Brains Predict Their Perceptions
 - b) Look over the entire article (i.e., Survey from SQ3R) and write 2 - 3 questions that come to mind during your survey of the text (i.e., Question from SQ3R)
- 2) Read Your Chosen Text:
 - a) Use the create & capture method to take notes
- 3) After Reading:
 - a) Analyze the text by answering the following questions:
 - i) What is the purpose of this writing? Does it achieve its purpose?
 - ii) Who is this text written for? How is it tailored to this audience?
 - iii) What evidence and information does it include that supports its purpose?
 - b) Evaluate the text by answering the followign questions:
 - i) How is the text structured? You can determine this by analyzing the key messages and purposes of each paragraph of the text and evaluating how they relate to each other.
 - ii) Why do you think the text is structured this way?
 - iii) Are the paragraphs ordered in a logical way?
 - iv) Within a paragraph, are sentences ordered in a logical way? And do they transition smoothly from one to another?
 - v) Is the tone of the blog formal or informal? How did you determine this? Why do you think this sort of tone is used?
 - vi) Are there any other tones? Neutral, Optimistic, Angry, Worried, Friendly, Curious. Assertive, Encouraging.
 - c) Summarise: Write a 100-300 word summary of the blog post

Submission

Your submission should include all of the following in one pdf:

- Your 2 - 3 questions about the reading.
- Your answers to the 3 analysis questions.
- Your answers to the 6 evaluation questions.
- Your 100 - 300 word summary of the blog post.

Submit your assignment on Gradescope and then upload a copy to the Week 1 submission area on the Woolf platform.