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The Lessons I’ve Learned in Green Team

Over these last few weeks, I’ve learned a lot about myself, and what it means to work with other people. While it has been very nice and informative to work with my fellow peers, it hasn’t had its downsides. There have been many things that I’ve noticed that we as a group did well, what we did poorly, and some things that I can improve on too when it comes to a team atmosphere.

Firstly, I’d like to start this off by saying that in my field of work, I do not work in a team. I rarely even have communications with my boss, so most of the time I work alone. Doing this experience has taught me a lot about what it means to work in a group, and not just that, a group of people who are interested in the same thing that I’m into. I’ve learned that working in a group full of smart, dependable people makes life so much easier, and splitting up the tasks like we did makes working on the overall project a whole lot easier. Having a “leader” with project management experience also helped a ton. Having someone like Justin leading the team and telling us everything that was going on really helped us make a good, final product. I’m sure we’ll work together again in the future, and I look forward to it.

Secondly, there are some things that didn’t go so well, and one of those things is how much participation I put into the project. I feel like the first two weeks I put in a great deal of productivity, but as the project began to be complete my role was diminished. I typed up both Word docs for this project, and it made me feel like I was doing a major part of the overall teamwork. Now, I feel like I have nothing else to really do except give my advice on certain things. Knowing this, in the future when it comes to group work like this, I’d like to participate even more and feel like a true member of the group.

Another aspect that didn’t go too well was all of our different time zones and times of availability. There was an instance about a week ago when a part of our project wasn’t submitted on time, and this caused us major problems because the only person that could post it was one person. If they weren’t there, then we would have received a zero on that part of the project. While using Discord helped a ton with this project, I would’ve greatly preferred if there was a way for us to meet in real life and collaborate on this. However, I know that in the real world, which doesn’t happen all the time, so I’m grateful for the opportunity to work over the internet like this on such an important project.

Overall, as I said in the beginning, there were many things that I learned, liked, and disliked about working in this group case study exercise. I definitely think that this project gave me better insight and knowledge into working in a group and will definitely help me in the future. Whether it be in a school setting or in a work setting, I’m going to take the lessons I’ve learned and become a better participant in future group exercises.