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MSA 8030 – Communicating with Data

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Week 6 -

Team Presentations: Present Your Data Story

Class Discussions: Preparing Your Final Presentation



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Course Resources

Recommended textbook:

story telling with data - a data visualization guide for business

professionals, 1st edition

by Cole Nussbaumer Knaflic (Wiley)

Github site:

CommunicatingWithData

https://github.com/mjgrav2001/CommunicatingWithData





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Team Presentations (75 min)

Team 1 – Water Potability of Plants dataset

Team 2 – Fossil dataset

Team 3 – U.S. Airbnb Open dataset

Team 4 – U.S. Airbnb Open dataset

Team 5 – Flywise dataset

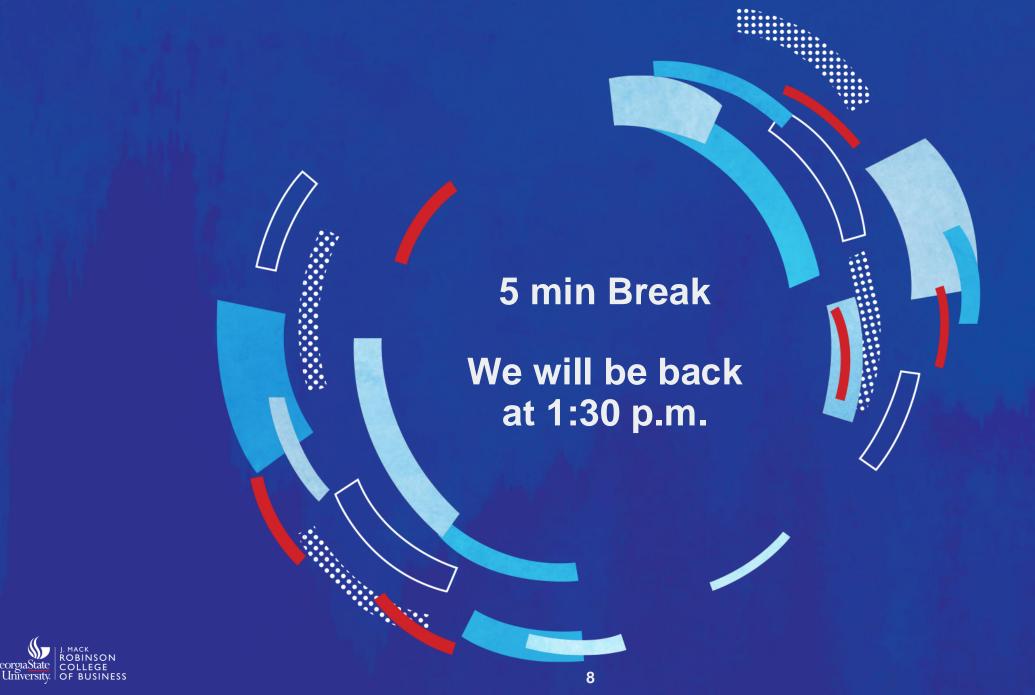
Team 6 – Flywise dataset

Team 7 – Vehicle Sales dataset

(presentations in no particular order!)







Discussion (10 min): Preparing Your Final Presentation

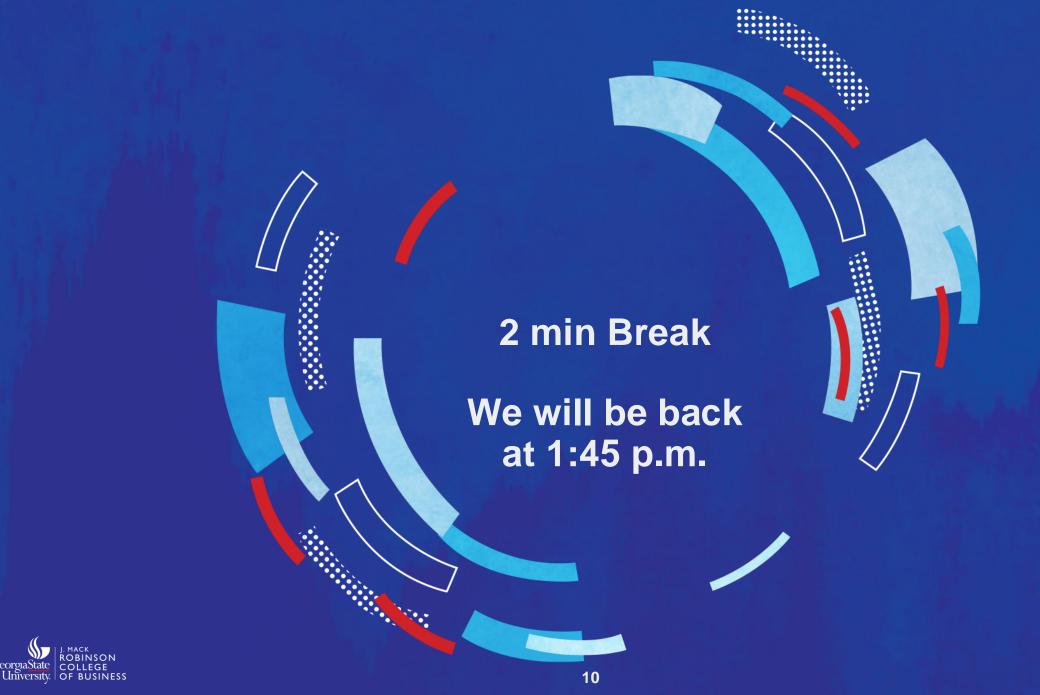
Breakdown of the Structure of the Final Presentation

- Illustration of business problem (1 slide)
- Motivation of primary data science use case (1-2 slides, max. 1 visualization)
- Data story (2-3 slides with 3 visualizations)
- Final **pitch** (1 slide)









Group Activity (45 min): Preparing Your Final Presentation

Technical Writing Exercise – Example: Audience

Please open the Google exercise "Technical Writing One" (Pre-class material).

https://developers.google.com/tech-writing/one

Go to tab "Audience".

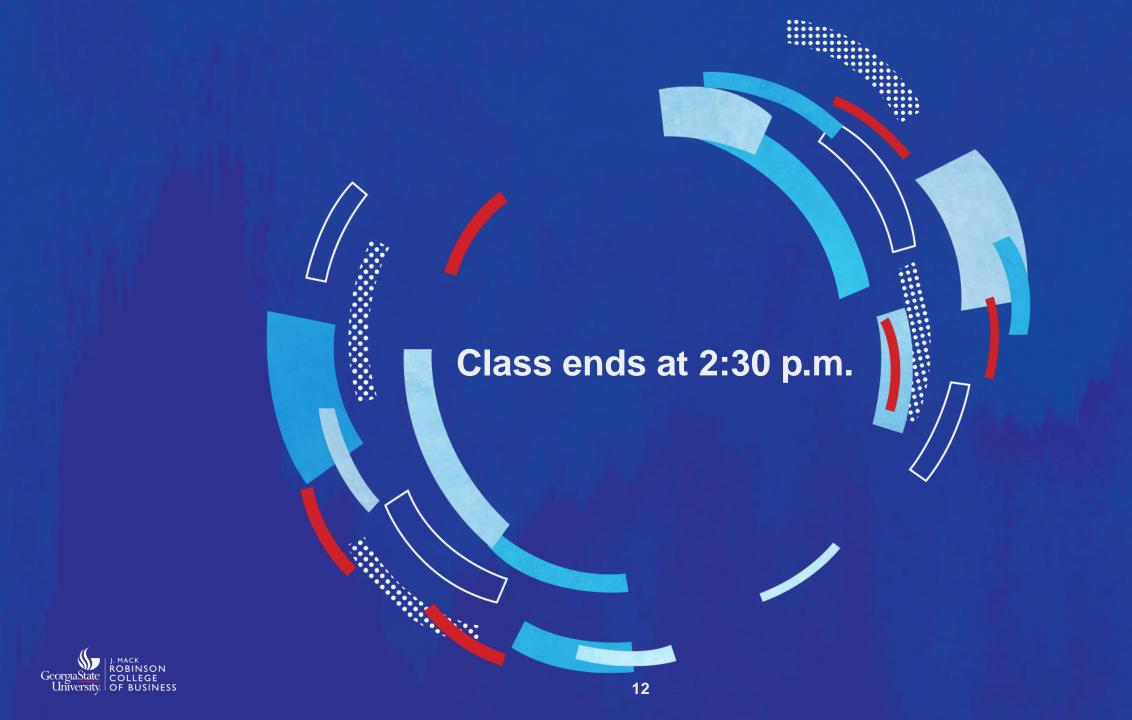
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Procedure:

- We will complete this exercise in steps.
- Each team will share their results.
- Then we will move on to other tabs "Documents", "Clear Sentences", "Short Sentences", "Words" and repeat the process.







Course Schedule

#	Topic and Objectives
1	Intro & Getting Started
	Course Overview (relevance, examples, etc.)
	Market-Ready-to-do List (MRTDL) by Career Advancement Center
	Pick a dataset (Datasets will be provided by instructor on first day of class. If you
	already have formed a team of 4 students to collaborate and work together and
	want to use your own dataset, this needs to be vetted and approved by the
	instructor. Examples: something you are working on from another project,
	Walmart data on Kaggle, synthetic data from Synthea, etc.)
	Explanation of peer-to-peer evaluation of presentations every week
	Instruction: Exploratory data analysis
	Assignment: Prepare 1-minute "describe your dataset" presentation
2	Start with Presentations: (present what was assigned in the previous class)
	Understand the Business (and core business processes)
	• Activity (for a specific case or example business): Describe the business for an
	example business (inputs, activities, outputs/metrics), develop a simple flowchart,
	identify opportunities
	• Instruction: Understanding the business problem, extracting the use case(s)
	Assignment (for your selected business): Prepare 3-minute presentation that
	describes the business, core business process(es), and opportunities for your
	Start with Presentations (present what was assigned in the previous class)
3	Start with Presentations: (present what was assigned in the previous class)
	Identify a Business Problem (and why it needs to be addressed)
	• Activity (for a specific case or example business problem): Developing persuasive
	arguments; Create tension with a visualization (draft)
	Instruction: Story telling with data - visualizations
	• Assignment (for your selected business problem): Create a 3-minute "tension"
	presentation; only 1 visual





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	Start with Presentations: (present what was assigned in the previous class)
4	 Develop a Solution Pitch (for solving the identified business problem) Activity (for an example business problem): Big idea, exec summary, peer review Instruction: Feasibility study, selection of final use case (big idea) Assignment (for your selected business problem): Create a 1-minute pitch (includes business overview, tension, and solution)
	Start with Presentations: (present what was assigned in the previous class)
5	 Provide a Progress Update (for an ongoing project) Activity (for your selected solution): Strong visualizations, exploration, status, revisions, issues, lessons learned Instruction: Data exploration and feedback loops with business stakeholders Assignment (for your selected solution): Prepare a 5-minute presentation; 5 slides (excluding title slide); 3 visualizations
	Start with Presentations: (present what was assigned in the previous class)
6	 Planning a Final Presentation and Final Report (for a completed project) Activity (for your project): 1st draft of headlines only and main messages per slide; Python Notebook for technical audience and Word document for leadership: clear connections to final presentation, i.e., same structure/order, etc., including a narrative in the final report Instruction: Technical writing skills Assignment (for your project): Complete final presentation and reports; 7-minute presentation; 5-7 slides (excluding title slide); appendix if required
7	Final Presentations (and final reports, notebook and Word document) are due



