Academic Reflective Journal structure

A reflection report or journal focuses more on the writer's personal insights, experiences, and growth in relation to a specific topic, event, or experience.  
Here are the common parts of a reflection report or journal assignment:

Assignment A02: Azure MSLE Lab 2

1. Introduction:  
 • Brief Overview: In this lab I will be learning the capabilities that AI Azure Services provides for Captioning Images, Extracting Common Tags and Extracting Objects.

• Purpose: I think the best and most exciting part of AI is the way that it functions and seeing the backend of its ´thought process is really fun. Also although i’m obligated to go through with the lab regardless, I like how even though the cert is pandering to Microsoft they are very interesting in how they work as whole.

2. Description of Experience or Topic:  
• Background Information: Basic overview in three words: Quick, interesting and entertaining. There isn’t much content in these labs. They are all the same fun for about 30 seconds.

• Specific Details: Making the AI captioning services work is very easy and so streamlined I hardly waited for anything. The lab also has capabilities to auto-type the things that need to be typed into the virtual machine. I got to check out 3 different AI models that I would otherwise never would have payed attention to and that’s interesting.

3. Personal Reflection:  
 • Thoughts and Feelings: I am realizing now that I’m using the AI Services for the first time all the possible implementations of it since its an SaaS now anyone with deep pockets would be relatively fine in deploying AI tools in whatever industry their business may be in.

• Analysis and Interpretation: I retract all I said in my last journal entry this will not be a slow learning curve. The labs are formulaic just build, try out with recently created resource then do it all again with a new thing.

• Connections to Theoretical Knowledge: well I could finally somewhat “see” the backend of what an AI model looks like which in turn solidified for me the way in which I thought these GenAI systems worked.

• Critical Thinking: This time around I tried to make the lab bearable at least by writing down a couple of things of note and taking pictures of what I thought was interesting stuff during the lab. I hope that it makes me remember more of what I saw in it.

4. Discussion of Improvements and Learning:  
 • Personal Growth: So, basically it’s like making me smarter in some capacity as i’m learning by experience or “hands-on” in a way. It’s not really engaging but at least I will know all the service that Microsoft Azure provides.

• Future Application: Erm… I could see this service applied in the small business industry. There is so much overwhelming and honestly unnecessary adoration of AI in every single industry in some way. I think that if small businesses want to really thrive they need to try at least to adopt the new wave of AI and this is a relatively easy, risk-free way of doing that say in their media dept. for either ads, promo, or general product marketing.

5. Conclusion:  
 • Summary: The second lab of this AI-900 certification was not hard at all I am crossing my fingers and hoping that it gets more challenging as the last lab nears.

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