Trying to create my infographic this week was mostly frustrating. I did most of my work in Inkscape and it is a program I have very little experience with. For previous project tasks, I have done some minor adjustments with Inkscape, but this task I did essentially the entire thing in Inkscape. So, most of my effort was learning the program and less about creating an infographic.

That being said, my design skills leave something to be desired. I understand our text and I “get” the concepts. But trying to apply these concepts to an entire document is very difficult for me. I do not particularly find this kind of work fun or interesting and I also do not have an aptitude for it. Between learning a new program and performing work I do not particularly enjoy; made for a frustrating couple of weeks!

As for the Infographic itself, I tried to minimize text, highlighting important aspects of text where appropriate. I also tried to use basic icons to help get a message across without overloading the document with images or graphs. I kept colors basic, but I would say that I didn’t have much of a plan or design when it came to colors. I struggled implementing colors in Inkscape and with the frustration left a little to be desired in my choice of color scheme. Is it the worst infographic ever created? Probably not. I believe it adheres to some of the design principles we have covered. But it does not have a professional or polished feel to it. On a positive note, I did gain some valuable experience with Inkscape and found some great tutorial videos.