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Reflection of Homework 2 (Group and Individual Work)

This semester during our CS102 course we have been working on a group project for which we had to design and create a working Hangman game. Firstly we determined our group members and brainstormed ideas. After these first steps, taking into account our strengths and interests we decided which part of the project each of us should do. And finally, after finishing the parts that we were responsible for, we gathered them together and checked for any error.

This project was very different from any other homework or project that I have ever done because it required me to write a code, create a working game, with a group. This was a hard enough project itself without being a group work but in the end I believe that we did a pretty good job. Given that it was the first time I had ever done such a project; I had a hard time communicating with other group members and not being able to control any part of the work other than mine. However, it made all of our jobs easier as we didn't have to complete the whole work ourselves. In addition, we were able to get help from each other when we experienced any difficulties. After finishing the group work, we were then supposed to download, gather and test these codes, written by our group members and other peers. This part was especially different for me but it made my job a lot easier.

To sum up, I believe that this group work was very beneficial for me as I learned how to be a good group member. Even though it was a very new concept I saw and experienced its benefits and also its disadvantages. I learned that it is better not to try and control everyone else and focus on your own work. I also realized that even though a group project lowers the workload it is hard to communicate well with other group members and finish the whole thing without experiencing any problems. However, I believe that in the end I did a good job, and am very satisfied with the final work that I am submitting.

For this project the code pieces that I used belonged to the groups of Kerim Eren, İpek Sönmez, Tuna Saygın, Süleyman Yağız Başaran, Yusuf Özer (Our own group).