

Reflection

STAGE 1: PLAN

I mapped out the tasks I wanted to complete for my GL project while juggling my semester schedule as I first created My Learning Contract. I focused on organising what I wanted to do and completed it within the time allotted because there were many resources and learning materials available to me both online and offline.

Problems Faced:

- Planning was quite hard cause I was unsure whether I would be able to fulfil it without being able to predict anything

STAGE 2: PERFORM

Performing according to my Contract, I followed through by starting my research with a chosen anime. I analysed a key character which I could derive some cultural and speech learning points from and documented everything in a Word Doc. Showcasing my work to my Facilitator, he loved my cultural touch points and found my research really detailed.

Problems Faced:

- Gathering information took me more than 3 hours because I had to watch two episodes, and pause and review and note down in my Doc.

STAGE 3: MONITOR

At this point of time, my diploma-core subjects were getting overwhelming, and I delayed my progress in completing a weekly log every Saturday. I was so stressed that I did not attend this stage of consultation because I didn't have anything to show my Facilitator. I still did my best in gathering information (going to the library to borrow books on How to Japanese, etc)

Problems Faced:

- Overwhelming diploma-core subjects' workload and rushed deadline led to no time for GL project
- Did not maintain progress with Contract by doing what was required (Record Weekly log EVERY WEEK), ended up falling behind by a lot

STAGE 4: REFLECT

Starting to build my E-Portfolio website, I reflected back on my journey with GL.

Though I fell behind a lot and couldn't catch up, my facilitator was understanding and supported me. I did. as he instructed and used flex week to catch up on all my content, which I am able to then put my E-Portfolio together.

My journey with GL was memorable and enjoyable as I got to learn not only my favourite language, but the culture and history aspects behind the country itself as well. GL also tested my abilities to do Self-Directed Learning and the need to have my time really planned well. I learnt how to walk, fall, and then got up again all with this subject, and I am thankful for this experience.