



Twitter Assignment - Engaging on in an online discussion

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This is an actual assignment that I used in my university level course “Becoming an Effective Learner”. The purpose of the course was to develop students’ study strategies, metacognitive abilities and self-regulation as learners.

Here are the actual instructions I provided in writing to the students:

Assignment Objectives:

1. To engage in a discussion with your peers about effective learning.
2. To experience how the informal environment of social media can also be used for learning and exchanging ideas.
3. To boost your "educational technology" literacy by engaging in a discussion on Twitter using @ (talking to) and # (hashtag) functions.

What you need for this assignment:

A Twitter account - You may either use a Twitter account you already have, or open a new one. You may use an anonymous username and delete your account after the course, if you wish. If you use an anonymous username, you will need to tell me what it is so I can assign a grade to you.

Assignment: Engage in the online discussion about "What is an effective learner?"

Use the @ and # functions we discussed in class.

Offer a minimum of 3 relevant, well thought-out responses on the topic.

Due: Within one week of the assignment date.

See my complete lesson plan for pedagogical and planning notes.