

Some generic ideas for reflection for ePortfolios

Please feel free to add any tools you after the listed activity.

- What are some of the problems facing the world today? (mind map) How does your learning connect or address these issues?
- Over the rest of the school year, what's one issue or challenge you would like to be a more respected authority on? How will this be a challenge for you?
- Summarize the most important things you will take with you from the experience.
- Think of three or four things that went really well for you in the class this quarter and then reflect on two more things you think you could improve upon or next quarter. What action will you have to take to get better in these areas?
- Describe a skill you learned this quarter. Where else might this skill come in handy?

Some additional ideas:

Capturing: Each participant makes a face, a sound, or movement capturing how they felt about the learning project. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Voki, Camera from mobile devices, Photobooth, iMotionHD, SloPro*

Parables/Stories: Read a piece of pertinent literature and have students respond and draw correlations to the learning experience. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Diigo, VoiceThread*

Letter to self: Prior to a project, have participants write a letter to themselves about their personal and academic goals regarding the project, or feelings about the learning. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Lifecards , or a letter to a penpal- epals*

Cartoon: Draw a cartoon that teaches something important regarding the learning. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: StripDesign or ComicLife , befunky, MakeBelieveComics, Bitstrips, Pixton*

Recommendations: Compose a letter/advice to future students offering suggestions for learning this material in the future. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Audacity, QuickVoice or GarageBand or Recorder , Readplease, gCast*

Lifeline Biography: Draw a line representing and plot significant periods/events (with writing or drawings) influencing what you learned. This can be adapted many ways: do the same except using a river as a metaphor (where were there rapids, meandering, etc.) or do a Learning Biography line (what influenced you, positive and negative impacts on your learning). *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Excel, Mindmeister, Popplet, Timeline*

Song, Poem, Collage, Sculpture, Written Story, Skit: Create something artistic as a large group, or individually then mesh it together, to express what happened, how it felt, or what the service experience meant to you. It can incorporate what was learned, accomplished, challenges overcome along the way. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: PuppetPals, animoto, xtranormal, kerpoof, DragonDictation ,*

Interview each other: Break the group into pairs or triplets and have them interview each other about their service experience, take notes, and summarize a couple of things to the group. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: iMovie , Recorder*

Teach: Teach others what you learned through this service experience. Put together instructions or references for learning more about it. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Jing software, Cam Studio, screenr.com (5 min. max), Explain Everything , ScreenCrunch , SMART Board Recorder, Educreations*

Media: Build a skill as well as reflect by writing press releases, taking pictures, contacting media, and obtaining some media coverage of the project. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Shutterfly, Photopeach, Photobabble, iMovie, iMotionHD, SloPro*

Poetry: Each participant comes up with a metaphor to represent where they are in life (or in class) right now. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: ShapePoetry*

Newsletter: Pool your learning reflections, stories and pictures together to make a newsletter. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: paper.li, Pages , MS Word*

ABC book: Illustrated with one sentence, thought and/or picture for each alphabet letter. Use the project or name of learning instead of alphabet. *Some tech integration tools you could consider: Book Creator, BookMagic, BookPress, Easy Writer, Novel in 30*