CSE 403
Autumn 2013
Individual Reflection Paper

This is an ***individual*** assignment that each person should complete and turn into the Catalyst drop box by noon Friday, December 13, 2013.

Write a 1 – 2 page reflection on the project experience by answering the following questions. You will be graded on the thoughtfulness and insight of your answers, not on whether you agree with supposed "best practices" or whether your project experience went smoothly.

1) What worked well, and why?

2) What could you personally have done differently to improve the team's project experience?

3) Lecture 1 slides include "advice for success" from past students, such as:
   • Work together in the same place as much as possible (face to face).
   • Analyze tasks and break them down into small chunks.
   • It is difficult to learn new programming languages, frameworks, and tools.
Agree or disagree with each of these pieces of advice, giving brief examples from your project.

4) Lecture 5 slides, about teams, recommend having:
   • clear roles and responsibilities,
   • specific small goals, and
   • frequent communication.
Agree or disagree with each of these recommendations, giving brief examples from your project.

5) Give a brief example from your project of how you demonstrated one of the following soft skills:
   • strong work ethic
   • positive attitude
   • good communication skills
   • time management abilities
   • problem-solving skills
   • acting as a team player
   • self-confidence
   • ability to accept and learn from criticism
   • flexibility/adaptability
   • working well under pressure
   • creative thinking
   • ability to prioritize work
   • critical observation (analytical skills)
   • conflict resolution

6) What do you think is your greatest personal accomplishment on this project?

7) What is the most important thing that you learned from this project experience?