

Activity: Studying at the University of XXX: a Student's Diary

Addresses: Teamwork; Leadership; Communication.

Aims/Intended Learning Outcomes: Students develop their creativity, their ability to communicate. They become aware of their day-to-day life in the city and at the university. They become enthusiastic about it and show it to other people.

Time required: As long as needed for every blog post (around 30-60 minutes each). It can be done over a long period of time

Group size: The idea is to create a blog where all students can post their opinions, interests, etc. about the university and the city. It can be done with any group size and it can be done over a long period of time.

Context/setting: At home / at the library / at university.

Description:

University's webpages usually offer a range of useful information about all the services international students may require when arriving to a particular city and university. However, all this information is normally formal and institutional (with a few exceptions!).

In order to know what is like to study in a particular city and university, students must develop a blog entitled "Studying at the University of XXX: a Student's Diary".

Trainers must create the blog and tell the students the necessary passwords to post entries. Students can post anything related to the city where they live and the university they are studying at, preferably based on their own experiences, and with the aim of offering useful information for prospective students/visitors.

Variations: Instead of a blog, other formats may be used, such as comic (paper and/or computer based).

Materials needed: computers (students' own).

Behind the activity:

Inspired by:

Any other comments: