

SP777 Assignment 6: Testing and Improvement

To be completed in your notebooks.

Testing by the Learning Center:

Develop a list of criteria that will be used to evaluate your design while in use at the learning center. Be as specific as possible. Use your own experience of product requirements and your experience at the learning center to develop your list. List all important criteria for evaluation. The criteria should answer/take into consideration these questions:

What do you want the learning center to think about while they use your product? What would be helpful for you to know about its daily use? For what purpose did you design the product?

Improving your Design Process:

What part of the design process has been the most difficult so far?

What would you do differently next time in getting to this prototype stage?

Do you have any questions or comments on the design process so far?

What is one thing that would improve your experience/learning in this class – what could we do better, or what would you like to do more of?

How much time have you been spending on this class, not including time in class (4hrs/wk)?

Thinking about design:

Choose two products you come across daily, one really bad design and one exceptionally good design. Choose anything you see, it does not have to be related to our projects. Write one page in your notebook on each of these designs as follows:

Bad Design - Tell us why it is a bad design. What makes it not work? What do you think the designers had in mind? Does it fulfill their intention? Does it fit the situation? Why? Does it work how it was supposed to work? How could this product be designed better? Tell us what you would do to improve the design.

Good Design – What makes this a good design? Why is this better than other things that complete the same task? What do you like about it? What did the designer do to make it truly exceptional?