Agenda

• User Interface Tour
• Usage data from MAN4504 and ISM3004
• Strengths
• Weaknesses
• Student Feedback
Facebook AI Fills In the Photo Blanks for Blind Users | Social Networking | TechNewsWorld

Facebook has announced a new feature to its site that will create a more inclusive environment for blind users. With an automated alt text, the content of a posted photo will be read out loud to a blind user, describing to them exactly what is being pictured. I found this to be extremely considerate of the Facebook team. While the site is primarily visual, it has truly taken into consideration a broader span of users who actively communicate and utilize the site. By promoting this type of technology, Facebook continues to make strides in the technology industry through the internet. It will be interesting to see if the site continues to create features for disabled users.

Facebook on Monday introduced automated alt text, a new tool that describes what's in an image to help visually impaired users engage more on the site. People using screen readers on iOS devices will hear a description of the items contained in a photo when they swipe past pictures on a Facebook page. The feature is available for iOS users in the U.S., the UK, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

http://www.technewsworld.com/story/Facebook-AI-Fills-In-the-Photo-Blanks-for-Blind-Users-...
You have 351 Points

35 Points this week
125 Points max per week
Week starts at 00:00 EST Monday

You have 5777 Points

View Student Report

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You earn participation points whenever you contribute to the discussion on Yellowdig

⭐ Creating a new **Pin** with a minimum of **100** words earns **75** points.
⭐ Adding a new **Comment** with a minimum of **50** words earns **35** points.
⭐ **Upvoting** a Comment or Pin (Like or Love) earns author **1** point.
⭐ Receiving an **Instructor Badge** earns **50** points.
⭐ **100%** participation achieved after earning **1000** points (passed back to gradebook if enabled).
⭐ **Weekly Maximum Points** **125** : Min 8 week(s) to meet **1000** points.
⭐ Starts at **00:00 EST On Monday**
Yellowdig tells students how much additional content is required for that type of contribution.
Gartner: 65% of supply chain professionals to invest in 3D printing

3D printing is starting to attract more and more supply chain professionals. These professionals are looking for ways to either come up with a fast prototype or replacement part for existing equipment that need maintenance without having to wait weeks for the part to arrive from

A recent Gartner report on 3D printing and supply of supply chain professionals are using or will invest two years, and that 29% said the ‘primary value’ the customer experience.

http://www.3ders.org/articles/20160415-gartner-of-supply-chain-professionals-to

NASA has detected a burst of light that might be linked to one of the most monumental space discoveries ever made

Space and most things having to do with it simply blow my mind. The fact that we can even detect and interpret things like these gravitational waves is astounding to me. I can’t wait to see what we can and are doing in space in 20 years.

Less than half a second after LIGO detected gravitational waves, the Fermi Telescope picked up a brief signal from the same region of space.

http://www.businessinsider.com/a-gamma-ray-burst-might-be-linked-to-gravitational-waves-2...
Activity in a Graduate and Undergraduate Course
Post length

Word Count by Type (by day)


Pin Words  Comment Words
• Tags do allow you to highlight a small number of articles that you want to be sure everyone sees in their feed.
Strengths

- Algorithmic grading
  - Weekly point cap – added Spring ‘16

- Modern UI – engaging, feature-rich
  - Like/Love/Badge encourage best efforts
  - Leader board can be motivating

- Like Pinterest a pin can be any linked media so media clips, articles, web pages are all possible.

- Most discussed and newest post are promoted to the top.
Benefits

• P2P = peer to peer not peer to professor

• Replaces discussion boards driven by instructors post and comments and creates environments where students drive the discussion and professor only need to moderate.

• Students respond to and engage with other students differently than with professors.
Weaknesses

- Only one Yellowdig discussion per class
  - Excessive posting volume for larger classes
  - Ability to have separate boards for different purposes would help
  - Support for multiple boards per class has been requested
- Students “gaming” the system
  - Self-policing mechanism has been requested
- System does not handle exceptions to algorithmic grading
- Detail Report format makes data analysis difficult
Student Feedback

• “Keep Yellowdig and toss the Canvas discussion.”
• “Yellowdig is much easier to use!”
• “Being able to like and love posts gave more evidence that the post was effective.”
• “I found that posts didn't get buried as badly as do with Canvas.

• ISM3004 Fall 2015 – students preferred Yellowdig by 3:1 margin
  • Similar experiences in MAN4504
Questions...