

Looking back at this assignment now, I think the purpose of this was to get students to learn the process of preparing a proposal and presentation for work for a given occupation. Other than that, I was slightly unnerved by the thought of working with people who I haven't gotten to know properly. But personally, it blew me away how our group worked so well together. I had only recently met these people for the last couple of weeks for our class, and yet it felt like we'd been working together for the 10th time.

What worked with the assignment was that the prompt offered the potential to create ideas that could combat future problems. My group specifically chose to create a plan to distribute masks in case of an emergency like the recent Canadian wildfire haze that blanket New York City. What also worked would be we were given the option to expand on already present solutions. Originally, our plan was to have buildings and emergency centers distribute the masks. However, our teacher pointed out that emergency centers already do that. Upon deciding on what problem to target, we decided to provide another solution to our problem which already had one.

There wasn't anything that didn't work with the assignment, though I feel as if schools, and even colleges for that matter, should use these sorts of assignments to prepare them for the outside world, especially with occupations that require written work and expressing new ideas or solutions to existing problems to a reader.

I'd compare this assignment to course learning objective 4, developing and engaging in collaborative and social aspects of writing processes. The point of the assignment was to get students to work together to come up with an idea that provides a solution to a problem and make a presentation to show that idea to others. In addition to this, I would add in objective 5, engaging in genre analysis and multimodal composing to explore effective writing across disciplinary contexts and beyond. We used videos and graphics, like images of items and maps,

to add to our presentation and I was actually looking into what a professional proposal needs for my part of the project.