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ENGR110/210
Perspectives in Assistive Technology

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Questions?

Who is stuck?
Agenda

• Willow Garage Tour next Thursday
• Project Preference
• Team Formation
• Individual Projects
• Room 36
• Photo of the Day
• Who is Disabled?

• Guest Lecture:
  Deborah E. Kenney, MS, OTR/L
  The Transdisciplinary Team: Bridging the Gap between Consumers and Products in Rehabilitation Medicine
Willow Garage Tour next Thursday

- Driver and passenger signup sheets
- Attendance limited to students and drivers
- Anybody need to leave early?
- Maps available next Tuesday
Project Preferences

• Consider project offerings
• Contact suggestor or Dave for more info
• Email top project preferences to Dave immediately
Team Formation

• Consider other students’ preferences
  • [http://engr110.stanford.edu/preferences.html](http://engr110.stanford.edu/preferences.html)

• Form a team by end of tomorrow

• Send email to Dave
  • Team members
  • Name of team
  • Name of project

• Think about
  • Name of device or software
  • Logo

• Schedule team meeting with Dave next week
Individual Projects

• Meet with Dave to discuss and agree on the project
PRL & Room 36

How many students working on team or individual projects desire access to PRL & Room 36 resources who do not already have a PRL Shop Pass this quarter?

Indicate your desire on Attendance Sheet
Photo of the Day
Who is Disabled?

Disability is defined as a health condition or physical impairment that prevents an individual from taking full advantage of life’s opportunities such as education, vocation, recreation, and activities of daily living.
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• The individual is Stephen Hawking, often described as the smartest person alive.
Question?

- What makes the difference between Hawking’s ability and disability?
Observation

- Individuals with severe disabilities can achieve extraordinary well
Who is Disabled?

• Superman

... came to Earth with powers and abilities far beyond those of mortal men
Who is Disabled?

• Superman

• Superman with Kryptonite
Observation

- There are situations that can cause temporary impairments in even the most able-bodied individuals
What’s the Point?

• With limited or incomplete information, you may not be able to make an accurate determination of a person’s abilities / capabilities

• With limited or incomplete or biased information, you may not be able to make an accurate assessment

  – Political issues
  – Individual’s character
  – Product advertising
  – News reports
  – Movie reviews
Important to Note

- Other – hidden – conditions can affect communication ability
  - Brain injury
  - PTSD
  - Psychological factors

- Other hidden disabilities:
  - Hearing, sight
  - Use of prosthetics or orthotics
  - Learning or developmental conditions
  - Progressive health / disease conditions
Tuesday

Perspectives of Stanford Students with a Disability

- Vivian T. Wong
- Emily Kelly
- Morgan Duffy
- Fiona Hinze
- Page Ive
Today

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Short Break