



E-LEARNING INNOVATION COMPETITION

LolliPop: empowering people to be independent learners: University of Worcester

The UK government has committed itself to "e-enabling" every single possible government transaction' which has huge ramifications for society. Digital citizenship requires that people are information literate, without these skills people will be unable to make informed decision and may become excluded from society.

There is an assumption that everyone is technically 'savvy' but this is not the case; this may be for many different reason and some people deliberately choose not to use technology.



I developed LolliPop with a colleague from Bradford Metropolitan Council to help develop the IL skills of the public library staff at Bradford. LolliPop is an online information literacy (IL) course for library enquiry desk staff.

LolliPop has 9 learning units and an IL toolkit:

- ✓ Information
- ✓ Search & retrieve
- ✓ Intelligent use of the Web
- ✓ Digital resources
- ✓ Critical evaluation
- ✓ Acquiring & managing information
- ✓ Ethical issues including plagiarism, data protection & freedom of information
- ✓ Referencing
- ✓ New Technologies
- ✓ The IL toolkit

LolliPop has been written in HTML a cascading styles sheets. The programme to be easily adapted and to be placed in any Virtual Learning Environment (VLE).

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