

27.21: Discussion- How Things Are Made

General Discussion Instructions

You are required to post to this discussion **THREE TIMES**, on **THREE DIFFERENT DAYS**. Please refer to the Discussion Grading Rubric for details regarding how your performance will be assessed. **NOTE:** Please be certain to read the entire discussion assignment since in some cases there is more than one question you need to discuss, respond to, or address. Be sure that you have answered the entire question!

Post 1: Initial Post

This posting should be a minimum of one short paragraph and a maximum of two paragraphs. Word totals for this post should be in the 100–200-word range. Whether you agree or disagree, explain why with supporting evidence and concepts from the readings or a related experience. Include a reference, link, or citation when appropriate.

Preparation

Do you ever look at something you own and think, “I wonder how they make this thing?” Well, since you have been learning about production and production processes in this module, you are going to investigate that very question here.

For Discussion

1. Go to the YouTube Channel [How Things Are Made](#), or some other site where you can see how things are actually made. Select a product or thing, and watch the video and/or read the information provided.
2. Share with your classmates which product or thing you researched (please be sure to provide a link to the video or article, too).
3. Briefly explain the type of process used to make the product or thing (refer back to your course materials for the terminology).
4. Which part(s) of the process surprised you the most?—which part of the video/article made you think, “Ah, so that’s how they do it!”?

Posts 2 and 3: Respond to Classmates’ Posts

Instructions

After you have created your initial post, look over the discussion posts of your classmates and give at least two thoughtful responses to two different classmates (one per classmate) as outlined in the Discussion Grading Rubric.

A response posting should be a minimum of one short paragraph. Word totals for these posts should be in the 75–100-word range. Whether you agree or disagree, explain why with supporting evidence and concepts from the readings or a related experience. Include a reference, link, or citation when appropriate. The goal of your response posts is to extend discussions already taking place or pose new possibilities or opinions not previously voiced. Your goal should be to motivate the group discussion and present a creative approach to the topic.

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