What’s In It For Me?

Learning About Dementia

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One of my favourite courses to teach is one of the Health Care Assistant courses about Caring for individuals experiencing cognitive or mental challenges. I can see using this activity at the beginning of the course, because many students have “preconceived” ideas about dementia. I could also see how adding it to the end of the course to compare their initial WIIFM with what they actually learned throughout course.

Motivations from a student perspective might be:

* I need to pass this course to get my Care Aide Certificate
* I will be working with people with dementia, so I should probably learn something about it
* This might be interesting
* I might learn something that will help me with a family member
* OMG do I have dementia?
* This course could be useful
* How many assignments are there?