

Unit 17: IT Project

Introduction



Overview

- Introduction to Project Management
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What is Project Management?

- Lumberjack
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JAEjqXGd0lc>
- *Guide to Project Management*
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xeEoBp_3dU0&feature=related

Introduction

- Unit delivered over the full year
- All about managing a project, monitoring, reviewing and aiding you in developing a computer system
- You manage your own project, the project will involve the design and development of a computer program (evidence produced for Unit 6 and 14)
- I am going to act as your Project Supervisor

Learning Outcomes

- Understand how projects are managed
- Be able to plan projects using IT
- Be able to follow a project plan
- Be able to review the project management process



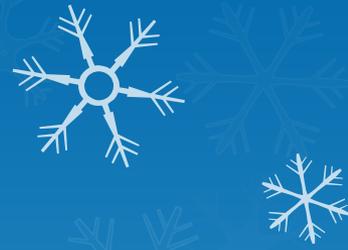
1. Understand how projects are managed

- Project life cycles
- Resources
- Project Management Tools
- Project Methodologies
- Project Management Issues



2. Be able to plan projects using IT

- Project Specification
- Project plan



3. Be able to follow project plans

- Monitoring
- Functional Testing of Product/Service

4. Be able to review the project management process

- Review
- Review of Project Management

Assessment Criteria

P1	Illustrate typical phases of a project life cycle
P2	Explain the resources available to support the project manager
P3	Discuss issues affecting project management
P4	Produce a project specification
P5	Plan a defined project using IT
P6	Follow a project plan to carry out a defined project
P7	Carry out a review of the project management process

Assessment Criteria

M1	Explain why projects can fail
M2	Assess the impact of potential risks to a project
M3	Monitor the project against the project plan adapting the plan as circumstances change

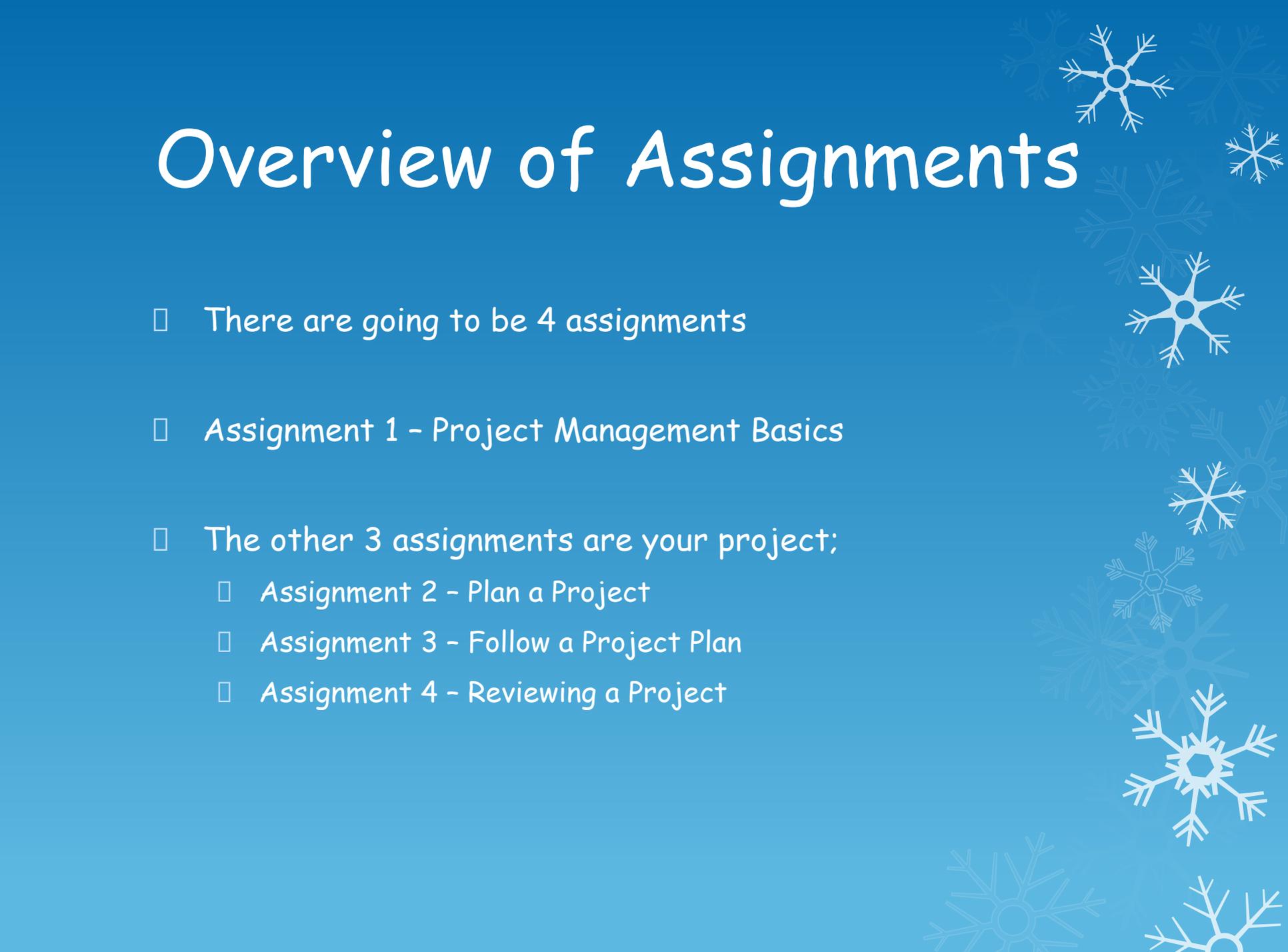
□ To achieve a merit grade.

Assessment Criteria

D1	Demonstrate effective communications with stakeholders at all stages of the project
D2	Evaluate the effectiveness of the tools used to plan the project

□ To achieve a distinction grade:

Overview of Assignments



- There are going to be 4 assignments
- Assignment 1 - Project Management Basics
- The other 3 assignments are your project;
 - Assignment 2 - Plan a Project
 - Assignment 3 - Follow a Project Plan
 - Assignment 4 - Reviewing a Project

VLE

- IT Project area
- Discussion Groups
- Subject Notes
- Assignments



Software

- Microsoft Project
- Excel
- Outlook
- Word



Task - Why do Projects Fail?

- Use the internet in order to identify some real life projects that have failed
- Try to identify why they failed? Were there any reasons for the failure?
- **Produce and present a presentation** explaining why projects can fail. You will need to research some cases of failed projects (there have been a number of well documented cases) and from these identify the main causes of failure.
- Use these examples to produce the presentation