Accessible Content Design for Learner Variability







Plan and be organised before recording yourself/others. A script may assist in organising your key points



no clear direction, guidance or key points/concepts

An unplanned recording that has

X Avoid...



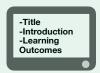
Ensure you appear clearly on screen when on camera. Make sure your screen is uncluttered when recording a screencast or using a virtual whiteboard etc.



Distractions such as a busy background or clutter, noise, lighting, clothing should be kept minimal, simple and clear



Use a clear title and introduction. Provide an outline on what will be discussed and connect to the learning outcomes



Delving straight into a topic without an intro. Speaking without stating why it is important and showcasing the

connection to the learning



Use short, clear and concise sentences and be descriptive



Complex terms or acronyms without describing what they mean



Think about your pacing, accent and annunciation



Speaking fast, using dialect, rambling and stumbling over complex terms



Keep learners engaged and motivated so limit video run time between 4-10 minutes and on one



One or two hours of lectures without posing any questions, making it interactive or guiding learners to what to do or read next



Think about the audio quality. Test your mic input levels whether using a built-in device or external mic/head set



Poor quality audio. Always test out with others before a live session or pre recording



Ensure any images and animations are not distracting from the text



Including images or animations that do not have any relevance to the content



Describe images, graphs, tables and formulas etc. as much as possible



Saying "look here..." as learners with visual impairments or accessibility issues will not know what you are referring to



Provide closed captions (CC) for prerecorded videos. Transcripts can also provide a text version of your video. For live sessions inform learners that CC can be turned on (where available). Videos held for over 14 days must provide CC



Producing any video content where only the audio is used to communicate the key information or contextual meaning. (E.g. talking on camera with no closed captions or transcript provided)



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