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Open Resources: Influence on Learners and Educators

Investigating sharing & use of open resources

Phase 1 will explore reuse of resources via survey and a retreat.

Chris Pegler: National Teaching Fellowship

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ADVISORY: IT’S A VERY NEW PROJECT
Forensic examination ... ?

- Good News: Good News
- Impact of OER study lead by Oxford University (David White & Liz Masterman)
  [oerblog.conted.ox.ac.uk](http://oerblog.conted.ox.ac.uk)
- National Teaching Fellowship
- The keen team: Helen Beetham, Isobel Falconer, Allison Littlejohn, Lou McGill + on the home team Patrick McAndrew and Karen Cropper +++
The view from MK7 6AA
Where are we coming from?

Promise

What we think/say OER will offer

Practice

Where we find out what OER offers

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Who is using? Where? Why?

- 36 cards = aid to trigger discussion with teachers/learners
- A reusable resource within ORIOLE’s ‘shop’
- Use of open licensed images from Flickr (with attribution)
- Technical, Quality & Motivation categories (Pegler, OER10)
- Design influence...?
- Here is the Why set
How are they using?

Three types of answer:
• Technically
• Pedagogically
• Business model

are inter-connected ... but we can over-focus on tech.

These cards focus on the tech problems and promises of reuse
Not just using but **choosing**?

- Initially we talked of ‘critical mass’
- We have ‘mass’, unequal in parts
- How do users locate the most appropriate option?
- These cards focus on **quality** - in the ‘fit for purpose’ sense
Survey: The research focus

At orioleproject.blogspot.com we are trying to answer:

• Are sharers and users the same people?
• Is the ‘transaction cost’ different across different groups?
• Is distance learning in a (reuse) category of its own?
• Do pro-OER people reuse differently than others?
• What do people say motivates them to reuse?
• Comparing with CD-LOR – has reuse changed?
• Is there willingness to share work in progress?
• What do people mean when they use the term OER?
• Is it possible to get these answers in a survey?

Please, please, PLEASE do the survey
- Its open 5-26 May 2011, spread the word
- Results will be shared + you could help a charity
So where is the **user**? Who is it?

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Just about everyone?

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Plans & questions

‘resourceful’?

05-26 May  
Survey is LIVE

13-14 June  
Really Reuseful Retreat, Woburn

July onwards  
Reporting + comment  
Community building

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