



Network Cultures VT2012

Week 4 14-Oct-11

Digital Identity Part 2



Identity, role play, gaming.

Today

- Look at an MMORPG
 - Discuss reading
 - Discuss video and groupwork
 - AOB!
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"On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog."

“in the medium of cyberspace, distinctions and imbalances in power between beings who perform themselves solely through writing seem to have deferred, if not effaced.”

“While everyone is "passing," some forms of racial passing are condoned and practised since they do not threaten the integrity of a national sense of self which is defined as white.”

“Orientalized Theatricality”

(Nakamura, 2000)

□ <http://www.parc.com/about/people/220/nick-yee.html>

Video

Why Groupwork?



Group work benefits

Learn from others

Share workload

Leadership skills

Try out new ideas with peers/brainstorming

Practice collaboration skills

Employers want to employ individuals who can work in teams

Group work downsides

Conflict

Not everyone pulls their weight (couch potato)

One person takes over – they're too bossy

What about assessment, it's not fair?

I'm better than the others

CONFLICT

Conflict is normal, but it can get out of hand.

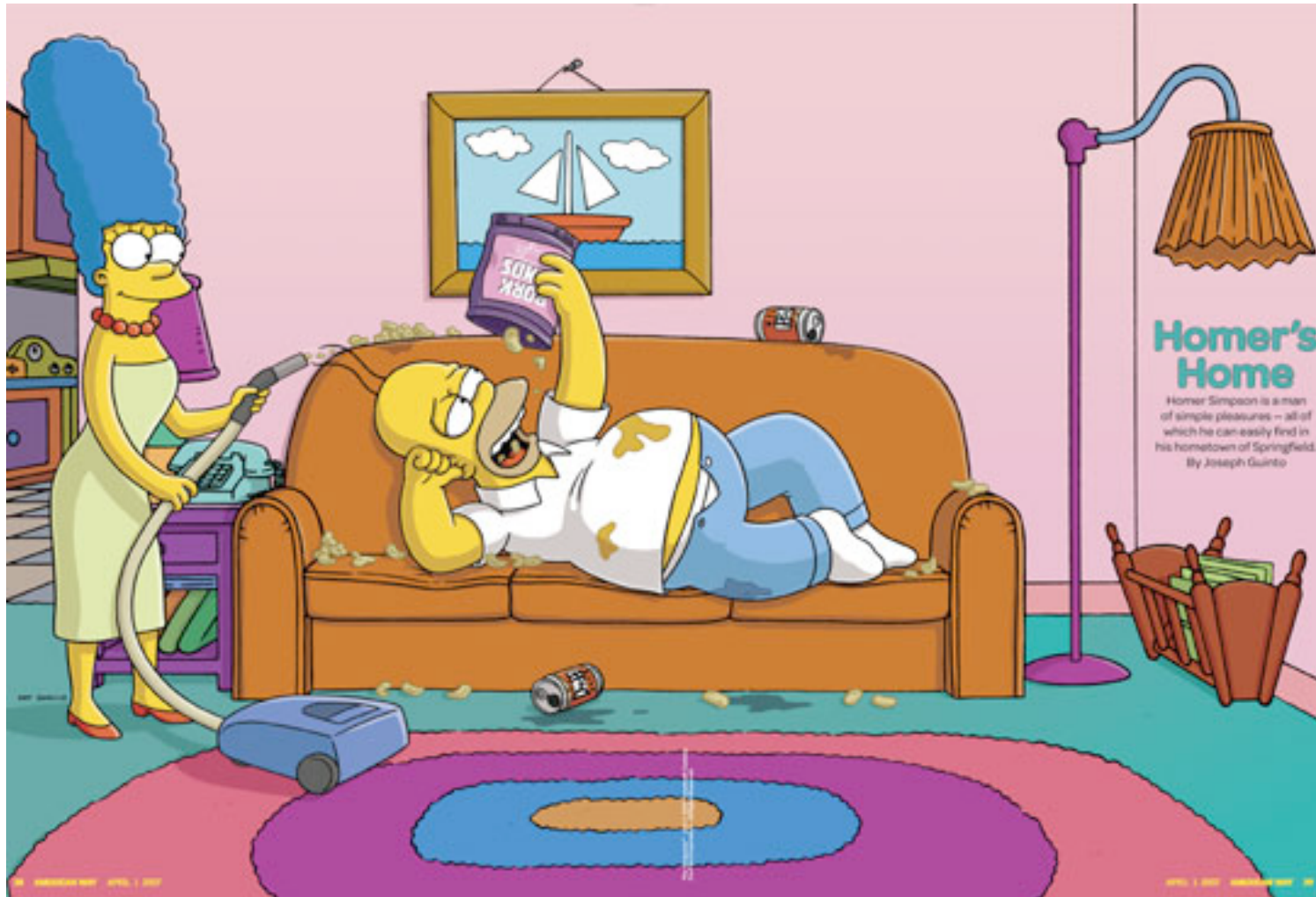
Forming

Storming

Norming

Performing

COUCH POTATO



Level of commitment:

- Regular attendance at group meetings
 - Contribution of ideas for the task
 - Researching, analysing and preparing material for the task
 - Contribution to co-operative group process
 - Supporting and encouraging group members
 - Practical contribution to end-product
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Works Cited:

Nakamura, L. (2000) 'Race In/For Cyberspace: Identity Tourism and Racial Passing on the Internet' Available at <http://www.hnet.uci.edu/mposter/syllabi/readings/nakamura.html> [accessed 28/10/10]

Next week

- Computer Mediated Memory.
 - Reading (be prepared to discuss it and use it as evidence in debate).
 - Personal Lifetime Storage on trial.
 - Harvard system and good blogging.
 - Keep up your blogging. Send your blog address to barr@uel.ac.uk OR leave a comment at <http://networkcultures2011.wordpress.com/>
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