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EXPLORING CHARACTERS WITH NET.CREATE



TODAY...

- Today, we're going to use a tool called Net.Create to explore characters in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.
 - Our goal is to understand the traits of different characters and how they connect to each other.
 - Later, we'll use Net.Create to compare these characters with those in Frank Beddor's novel Looking Glass Wars.
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HOW TO GET STARTED

Join Net.Create

First, you'll need to join our Net.Create network. You'll do this by going to the "Net.Create Access Codes assignment in Google Classroom and click on the link next to your name.

Add Your Characters

Begin by adding the characters from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. You will add each character as a node in the network. Each group should only add ONE character.

THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT NODE TYPES

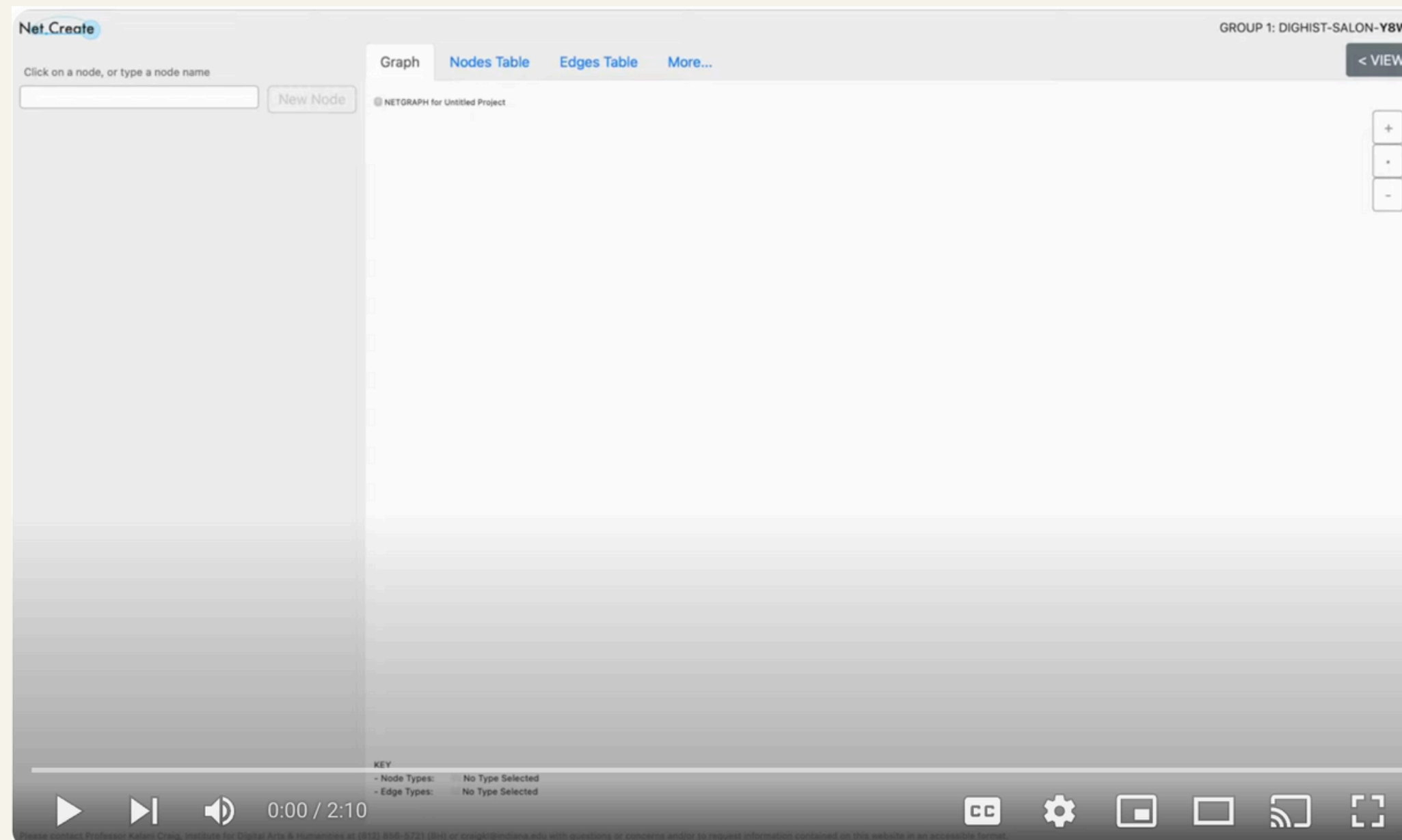
- **Character**

- **Person**

- **Trait**

**FOR RIGHT NOW, WE ARE
ONLY GOING TO USE THE
NODE TYPE CALLED
CHARACTER.**

HOW TO ADD NODES



**ONCE YOUR GROUP ADDS
YOUR CHARACTER STOP AND
WAIT FOR FURTHER
INSTRUCTION**

YOUR TASK:

Read

Next, in your groups, you'll read the excerpt from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* that connects with a character from the story.

Annotate

As you read, annotate by circling, underlining, and highlighting when you see words or phrases that indicate character traits for your character.

AS YOU READ

Using the character trait sheet attached to your excerpt, fill in the blanks with the trait that you identified and the quote that supports it. By the time you are done, you will have at least 4 traits with quotes to match, but you should have more.

ADDING TO YOUR TRAITS

Add Your Traits

Once you've finished reading, you and your group members will add the traits you identified to the network as a node just like you did with your characters. If a trait is already in the network you do not need to add it again.

THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT NODE TYPES

- **Character**

- **Person**

- **Trait**

**FOR THIS TASK, YOU ARE
ONLY GOING TO USE THE
NODE TYPE CALLED TRAIT.**

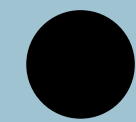
**ONCE YOUR GROUP ADDS
YOUR CHARACTER TRAITS
STOP AND WAIT FOR FURTHER
INSTRUCTION**

CONNECTING NODES

Edges

After you've added all the character traits as nodes within the network, you will connect them using edges. Edges are the lines that connect our nodes. For instance, I have an edge that connects the character node "White Rabbit" to trait node "Frantic" because he is a frantic character.

THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT EDGE TYPES



**Is described
as**



**Interracts
with**



**Is an
allusion to**

**FOR THIS TASK, YOU ARE ONLY GOING
TO USE THE EDGE TYPE CALLED "IS
DESCRIBED AS" TO CONNECT
CHARACTER NODES WITH TRAIT
NODES.**


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EXPLORING CHARACTERS WITH NET.CREATE

Day 2




REVIEW

- Yesterday we used a tool called Net.Create to explore characters in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.
 - Our goal was to understand the traits of different characters and how they connect to each other.
 - We added characters from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and the traits that accompany those characters as nodes.
 - Then we connected them by lines called edges.
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TODAY

- Today we're going to revisit our network in Net.Create.
 - We're going to connect the character traits we added yesterday to our characters.
 - We're going to add notes to our character traits detailing where we found them in the text and explaining why they connect the the character.
 - Our goal was to understand the traits of different characters and how they connect to each other.
 - Net.Create to compare these characters with those in Frank Beddor's novel Looking Glass Wars.
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GETTING STARTED

Revist Network

Yesterday you joined the network with your own link specialized to you. Today I want you to go back to the network through those links on Google Classroom.

YOUR TASK:

Connections

Look at the characters we uploaded into the network. Now look at the traits. Do some of those traits, even the ones you did not add to the network, represent your character as well? If so, connect them.

**ONCE YOU CONNECT THOSE
CHARACTER TRAIT NODES TO YOUR
CHARACTER NODES, STOP AND
WAIT FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTION**

NEXT

Adding Citations

As you read through your excerpt yesterday, you were asked to find character traits and add them to your character trait sheet. You were also asked to cite the quotes that gave you the character traits. Now I want you to add those citations into the network as a note.

ADDING A NOTE

There are a couple of ways to add notes in Net.Create

You can add a note to the attributes when adding a node

You can add a note to the edges when connecting two nodes.

**ONCE YOU ADD YOUR CITATIONS
TO THE NETWORK, STOP AND WAIT
FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTION. DO
NOT ADD ANYTHING ELSE!**

EXPLAIN YOUR REASONING

Commentary

Today, you received a sheet called “Explaining Evidence”. You will use that sheet to organize your character traits, the quotes (citations) that accompany them, and write commentary on them. Your commentary should explain how your quotes show the character traits you pulled from them.

EXAMPLE

Trait

Frantic

Quote

"And Alice was not very surprised when the Rabbit said, 'Oh dear! Oh dear! I shall be late!'" (pg 2)

Commentary

This quote shows that the White Rabbit is frantic because he repeats the words "Oh dear!" expressing his concern and anxiety. Repetition often shows high emotions or stress, in this case, showing the Rabbit is concerned about being late

ADDING COMMENTARY

Commentary

After you've successfully written your commentary, go back into the network and add it to the citations you made as notes. Make sure that your commentary successfully explains the connection between your traits and the characters they are attached to.

**ONCE YOU ADD YOUR COMMENTARY
TO THE NETWORK, STOP AND WAIT
FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTION. DO
NOT ADD ANYTHING ELSE!**

INTERACTING WITH PEERS

Adding Comments

One of the coolest things about our network is that it's a live visual of our work. As we collect information like character traits, citations, and commentary, we also have the ability to comment and interact with one another.

ADDING A COMMENT

1

Click on either
a trait node or
a character
node.

2

Click on the
yellow text
bubble in the
top right corner

3

Type your
comment in
the text box

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMENTING

1

**You will
comment on 3
peers posts.**

2

**Comments
should be 3-5
sentences**

3

**You will respond
to 2 people who
commented on
your posts or
comments**

**TAKE POST TEST ON GOOGLE
CLASSROOM**