Introduction

• Making it fun - a bit of fun in information literacy

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The Task

- Deliver basic library and orientation skills to 600+ First Year Science students.
- Previously done through face to face sessions/lectures
- Not a sustainable model
- Decision to deliver online through first year Biology
The Concept

- **Science faculty “First Year Science Lounge”**
  - http://www.science.unimelb.edu.au/1styear/

- **Continue the ‘fun’ aspect already established**
The Method

• Weblog

• Diary, following the trials and minor successes of a first year student

• Mixture of solid facts and amusing stories

• Information Literacy Assignment
The Outcomes

• Initially optional: low statistics
• Applied to other subjects
• Exam Question: greatly improved statistics
• 600+ downloads of assignment
Science Weblog


• Also:
  – Arts /arts/
  – Psychology /psych/
  – Engineering /eng/