

Evaluating things you are designing

When you are developing and generating ideas you could ask yourself some questions (or if you are working as a team, the team could question):

- Which are the most promising ideas?
- How well do they address the problem in the design brief?
- Have the considerations and constraints been taken into account?
- What needs further research? What do I still need to know?
- How clearly are the ideas being communicated?
- How could the ideas and the way they are being communicated be improved?

Evaluating the way you are designing (the process)

- Has enough research been done to inform the design?
- Have I considered a wide range of solutions?
- Have I 'tested out' the ideas?
- Are selected options/preferences clearly shown?
- Has work been carefully planned and organised?
- Have I applied myself well to the task?

Evaluating your own progress

- What areas of thinking and doing am I progressing well in?
- What are my strengths?
- What areas do I need to improve?
- What do others think about how I am working?
- Have I worked co-operatively?
- Am I working to the timeline?

Evaluating your finished product

- Does the product/piece of work/outcome/design do what was initially intended? Does it meet the requirements of the design brief?
- Is the product aesthetically pleasing?
- Have I carefully produced the product? Have I given attention to detail?
- What changes did I make to the product/piece of work/outcome/design as it progressed? Did these changes improve it?
- What are the strengths of the product/piece of work/outcome/design?
- What aspects could be improved?