A SIMPLE GUIDE TO CHOOSING THE RIGHT PEBBLEPAD ASSET.

Part of the Future Ready activity pack.
WHAT DO YOU WANT LEARNERS TO DO?

Record a skill, experience, reflection etc.

Create an aggregating asset e.g. collection, page, portfolio

Would a generic template work?

YES

That's great because the generic templates within the course/program familiarises users with them and may encourage them to use the templates independently.

Choose from:

• Action Plan
• Ability
• Achievement
• Experience
• Journal (reflection)
• What? So what (reflection)
• Structured reflection

NO

A simple single page 'custom' template OR A multiple page workbook.

Would the aggregating asset be displayed as a collection or a narrative?

COLLECTION

OK - that sounds like an activity log or collection. Collections and Activity Logs allow learners to gather assets which meet specified criteria, such as tag or date. Activity Logs also tally hours or points.

Provide lots of structure to make sure all of the presentations are uniform

Would you like users to have full creative control - or are you looking to provide more structure?

NO

A WORKBOOK

You could have your users create a Page which is a single-page presentation and which contains multiple media elements as well as links to other assets or items on the web.

For a chronological presentation, a blog can track development or the stages of a project over time. Blog posts can be similar in appearance to Pages, or can be created from other PebblePad assets.

Start with a completely blank canvas

Yes

NARRATIVE

Workbooks are like binders for templates. They can be used to create very complex 'booklets' which are completed by users over time - or to produce learning content that is reflected on, evidenced or added to by users.

You can also add placeholder pages to workbooks - providing a space for learners to add their own pages and, in doing so, bring some individuality to an otherwise highly structured asset.

Overall though, think of workbooks as being like templates - they are designed by one author, for use by many, and provide minimal opportunities for individual adaption.

How will users use this template?

One off use. A specific template used to capture a one-time event or activity. Set to single use.

Might be used more than once, but you don't want users inadvertently create a new record when they should be adding to an existing record. Set to prompt before use.

A template designed to be used multiple times e.g. to structure the recording of many different skills. Set to allow reuse.

If tagging is an important part of the learning design you can add one or more tags and set the tags to cascade - meaning they are added to the user's tag collection and any assets created from this template automatically adopt the tag.

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