Web 2.0 Research Progress Report

 To complete this report, choose one or more of the tool options we discussed in class or any Web 2.0 tools that can assist you in research. Here are some ideas: Symbaloo, Twitter, Feedly, Delicious, Wordpress, Instagram, Facebook (feel free to use a tool that is not listed!). These sources should provide good opportunities to search, collect feeds, network with other sources, investigate conversations, etc. At the very least, **you must try working with a *new* tool that you haven't tried before WRT 205, or you must try working with an old tool in a new way.** For example, you might have always used Twitter for personal matters and interests, but now you should try using it for research purposes and for finding authors, articles, conversations, and more around your topics of interest.

1. Spend time searching and playing with programs/options over a period of a few days. Keep track of your findings in some way—take notes, save links, use your blog, etc.

2. Write a paragraph description of the process you went through in your searching, and the tool(s) you used. Provide some brief rationale about what worked and what didn't.

3. Report on your findings and what you learned about the topics you were playing around with. Give some specific details as well as telling the story of the search. Tell us: what information did you find? Where or how did you find it? Why was it useful? Where might you go from here with the information you found?

4. Prepare your report in any format you choose—be creative provided you can find a way to post it on your blog. You are encouraged to be creative in your design and reporting. Keep in mind the flexibility your blog allows—use it wisely to create an interesting report.

Grading:
A= Excellent, above and beyond, follows all directions fully & executes them thoughtfully. Well edited, attention to detail.
B=Good, nice effort, follows directions fully. Well-edited. Could be more detailed.
C=Follows most but not all directions, or does not follow them thoroughly. Significant room for improvement/revision. Not well-edited.
D=Fails to follow directions, is incomplete. Not well-edited.