How one goes about learning new software has become a lifelong learning skill. As a digital-immigrant, my process has become one of exploring, playing with, and searching for built-in help. It seems I need to be hands-on. Even with webinars, I open the software and work along with the instructor. With Articulate Storyline 360, I accessed downloadables from e-learning heroes and then worked to figured out how to rebuild them to learn about how to use many of the software’s features. I learned from my many mistakes. In this way, I was able to build the course segment presented in Standard 1 of this portfolio, “Getting to Know ADDIE,” using the complex elements of Storyline 360.

This training has been built in Storyline 360 for two reasons. The first was Storyline was the software of choice for the LT8400 course. The second was that Storyline has so much more to offer than the proprietary software that is used at company I do a lot of design and development work for. I want them to see how their trainings could be much different and have more creativity in the way learners are engaged through a variety of interactions, image use, audio, video, and animation.

The course was built for use as a segment and as a prototype to introduce a vendor of e-learning to the possibility of adding a line of trainings for adult educators to the system. They subsequently surveyed the field and recognized trainers as a market for this new line of training.

THE ARTIFACTS

Two artifacts are presented for standard 2. The first is the Power Point presentation summarizing the project to share with the LT8400 class it was developed for. The presentation includes a number of slides from the actual course along with an introduction to the two characters in the scenario. Audio was used to present the content with only highlights on the screen. Closed caption can be turned off or on as needed. A scenario-based approach, the course segment uses a variety of features from the Storyline 360 program. The second artifact is the final write-up on the finished product including evaluation outcomes.