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Digital Media Foundations
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What We Learned In Class Today

Today in class, we went over chapters 2 and 3 from our textbook, Digital Media Primer. As well as talking about a few movies in the beginning of class and hearing my classmates and Professors opinions were really interesting too. We had a class demo about Photoshop and how to take a scanned image and change it's resolution and color mode.

In the beginning of class, we talked about the Oscars and some students spoke about their opinions about which movies were nominated. There was one movie where some students and the Professor agreed upon, a Korean film called Parasite. Parasite became the topic for a few minutes and some students didn't really watch the movie, myself included, and someone gave a quick rundown of the movie. I liked hearing other student's opinions about how they felt about the movie and the Oscars. I find it interesting because not everyone thinks or feels the same way as others and hearing all these other incredible thoughts and ideas from students is pretty good.

After the small class talk about the Oscars we then proceeded in talking/reviewing the homework we had which was reading Chapters 2 and 3 from our class textbook, Digital Media Primer. As a class we talked about Chapter 2 and it was about digitization and how it requires sampling and quantizing in order to digitize a file. Some digital files we talked in class were JPG, GIF, PNG, TIFF and PSD(Photoshop). In Photoshop, the images are bitmapped and in binary. We also talked about Adobe Illustrator and H.S.B (Hue.Saturation.Brightness).

After discussing Chapter 2, we talked about Chapter 3 of the class textbook. The Professor then gave a small demo about Photoshop. We had to scan a picture of some sort via phone or the class scanner; and email it to ourselves. We download the scanned photo (digital file) to our desktop and drag it into the Photoshop application. From there, we could change the color mode if we wanted to, the original file is in RGB and we changed it to CMYK. We played around with Hue and Saturation levels which changed the color of the image, Brightness levels and Grayscale.

I found class interesting today because of demo the Professor made us do along with her to grab hold of Photoshop and our way around it. Instead of talking about what Photoshop does we scanned images and played around with the settings. Reading chapters from the class textbook and doing some demos helps me retain more information.

