



# Laying the Foundation for MadCap Flare Implementation



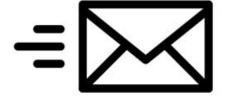
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# BEFORE WE GET STARTED...



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#### WHO AM I?

- Chad Kreiger, Publications Specialist, Vernier Software & Technology
- Flare user since 2012 (version 8)
- Lab books, experiment files, user manuals, etc.

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# WHO IS VERNIER SOFTWARE & TECHNOLOGY?

- Founded in 1981
- Science education company
- Data-collection sensors and software
- Lab books, experiment instructions, workshop handouts
- User manuals, technical information library, etc.
- Flare pre-implementation began 2013

# **DEFINING OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE**

- Utilize cutting-edge content management system technologies to modernize outputs
- Streamline processes on the back end in a way that is seamless to the customer on the front end

# **PILLARS OF CHANGE**

- Cultural Changes
- Assets Inventory
- Systems Analysis
- Flare Project Structure and Settings

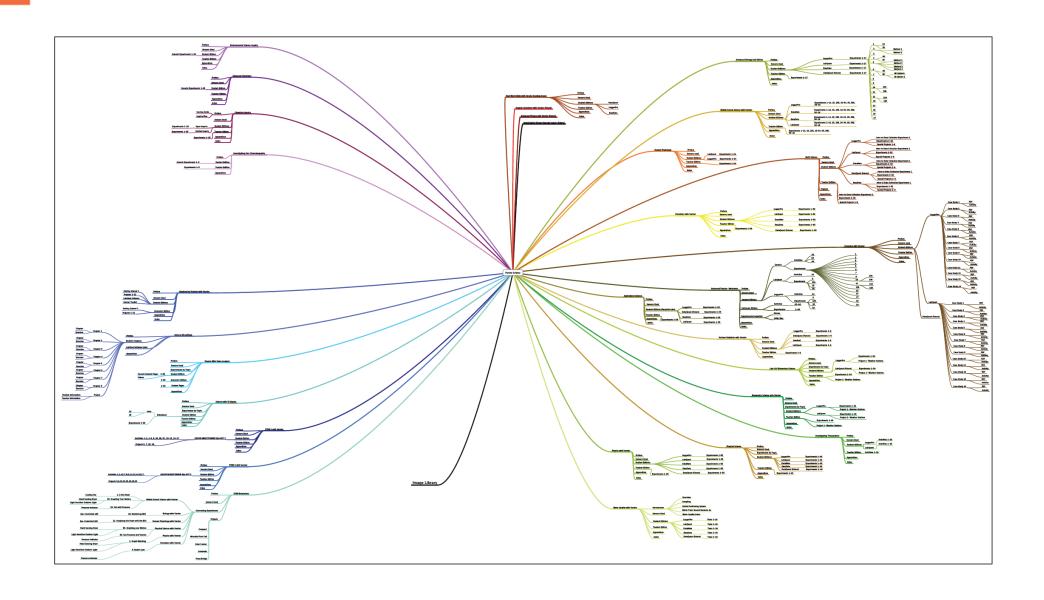
# **CULTURAL CHANGES**

- Deciding to move to single source system
- Choosing a single source system
- Standardizing page design and styles—Word to Flare
- Writing topics with one voice
- Publishing in an agile environment

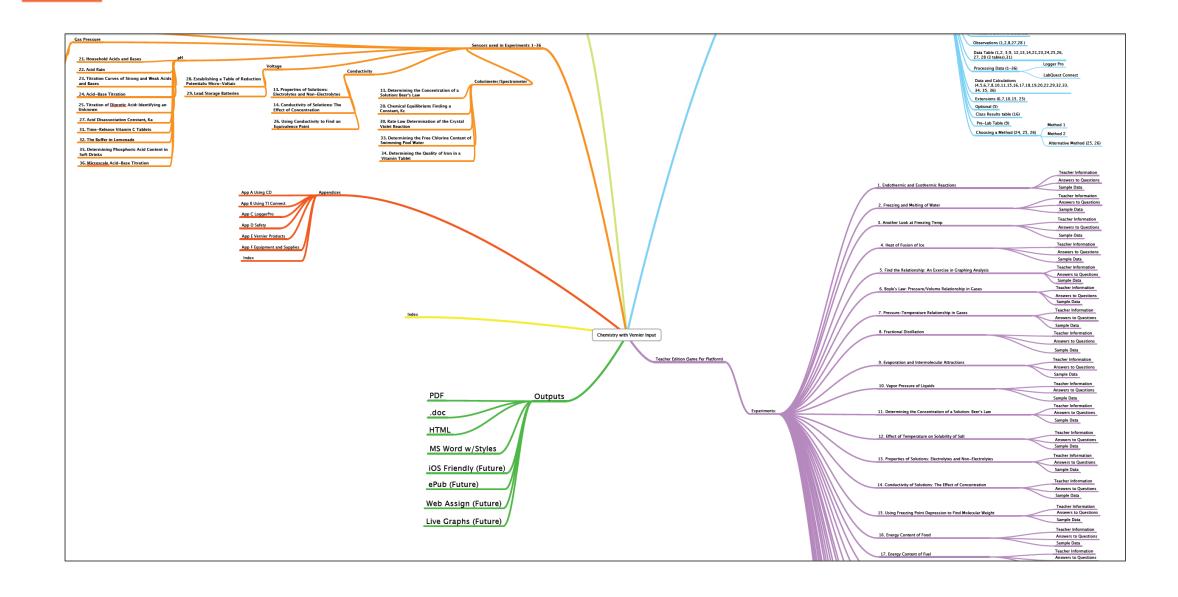
# **ASSETS INVENTORY**

- What types of documents did we have?
- What similarities did they have?
- How did we want to manage barcodes, graphics, and logos?

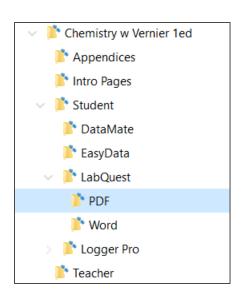
# **CONTENT MAP – LAB BOOKS**



# **CONTENT MAP – CHEMISTRY LAB BOOK**



# **COMPLETED CHEMISTRY LAB BOOK**



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# SYSTEMS ANALYSIS

- macOS virtual machine options for Windows
- Project location and source control
- Options for technical support
- Chemical formulas and mathematical equations in Flare
- Develop test plans for changes

# **INITIAL IMPLEMENTATION STEPS**

- What are our clients' needs?
- How do we prepare our content for import into Flare?
- How do we organize our assets within Flare?
- How do we seamlessly transition our content to Flare?

# **COMPLETED LAB BOOK – IN FLARE**

20 Equilibrium Constant Inst

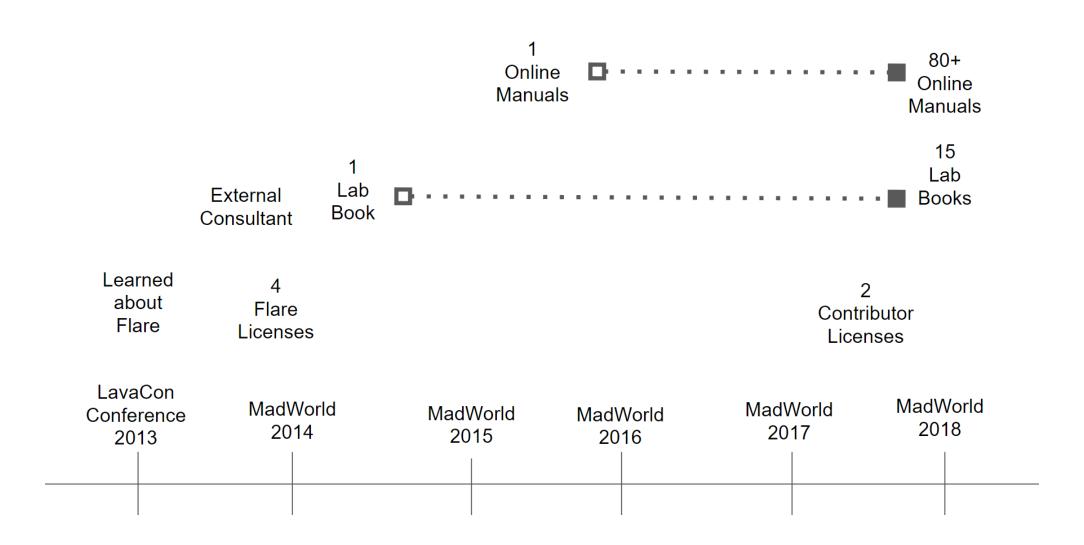
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# FLARE IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE AT A GLANCE



# **KEY MILESTONES AND COST-SAVING DECISIONS**

- Creating our first lab book in Flare
- Streamlining our Word import process into Flare
- Implementing online user manuals
- Transitioning source control systems
- Utilizing Contributor with subject matter experts

#### **TAKEAWAYS**

- Develop a roadmap before you begin your project
- Prepare your existing content for Flare implementation
- Maintain logs for issues and decisions made
- Allow your project to evolve as it matures

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