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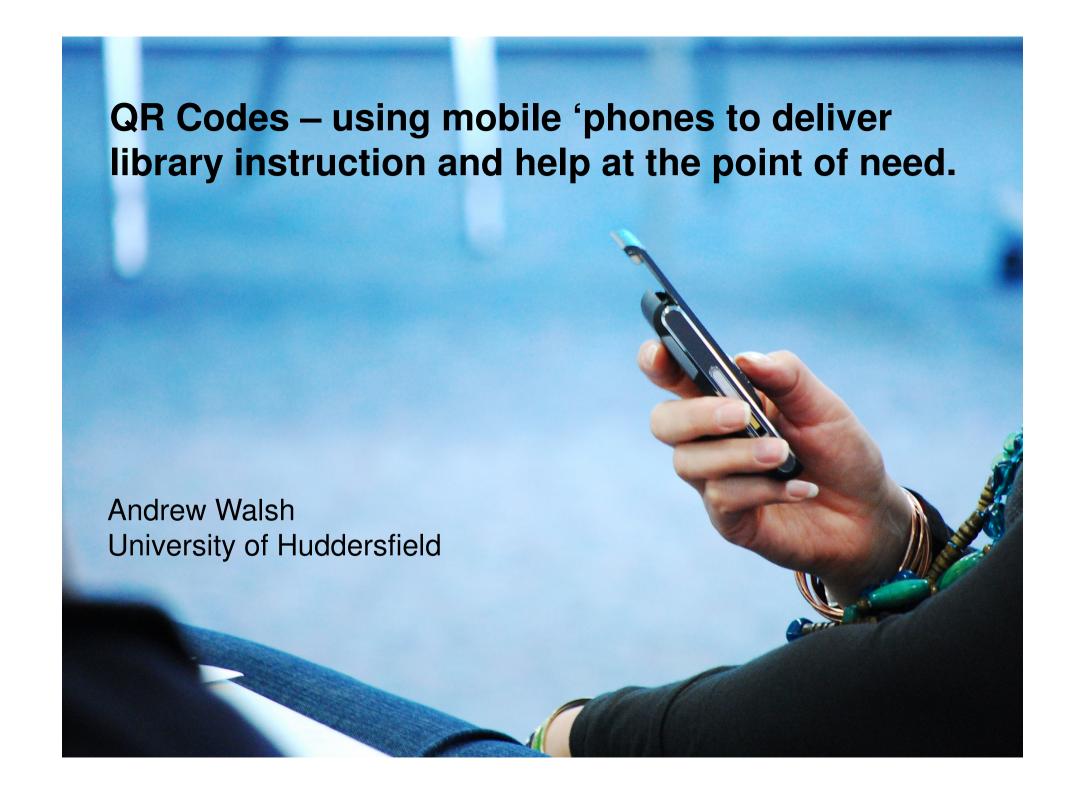
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What are QR codes?

- * 2D matrix code
- International standard



Lots of demonstrations on YouTube, such as: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf_DNHPBV-s

So what can they do?

Encode information such as:

- Contact details
- Prompt 'phone to ring number
- Prompt 'phone to send text Message
- Display text on your 'phone
- Link to a URL

All on your camera 'phone using a free application.

What have we used them for?

- Links to mobile friendly videos
- Contact numbers / text messages
- Link to full text of print journals
- Links to useful resources

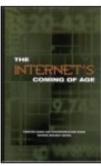
On:

 Printed handouts, shelf ends, library catalogue, signage, anywhere with a flat surface...

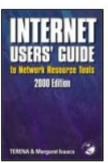
Virtual shelf browser:











Useful links:

Amazon UK: http://library.hud.ac.uk/perl/amazon.pl?1856046486

Blackwell: http://library.hud.ac.uk/perl/blackwells.pl?1856046486

del.icio.us: http://del.icio.us/post?url=http://library.hud.ac.uk/catlink/bib/580994/cls/...

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QR Code:



Search terms:

communication conference devices learning mobile Shelf tools wireless

I'm also available electronically -

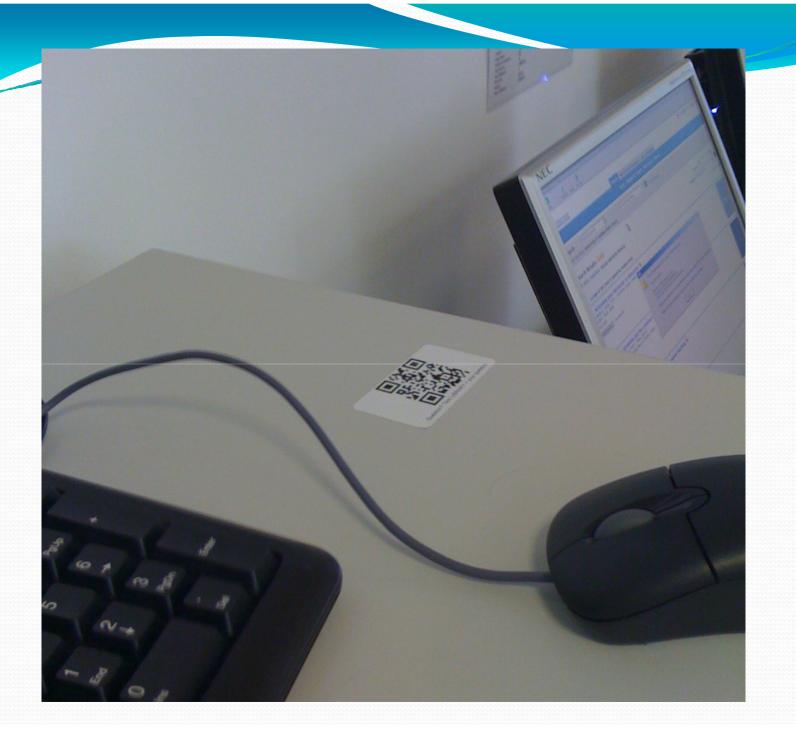


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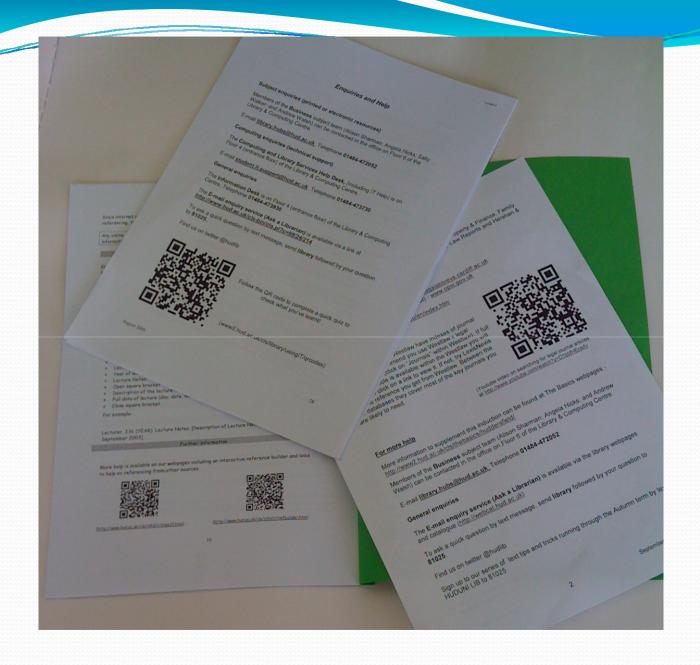
What's the strange picture for?

It's a QR code. QR code readers can be downloaded free for most camera 'phones from the internet (just Google QR reader and the model of your 'phone). They then translate a QR code image and prompt your 'phone to do something - in this case go to a webpage containing the full text of the book.





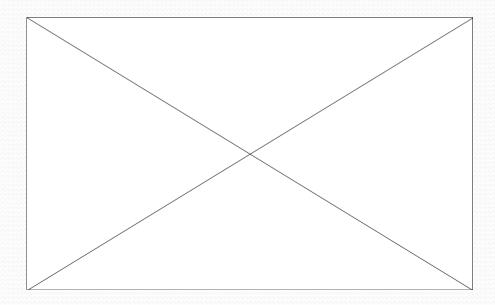






Delivering bite size IL teaching.

- YouTube videos via handouts / shelf ends
- Mobile friendly quizzes on handouts (mobilestudy.org)



How are people able use them?

- Install a (normally) free application on their 'phone
- Easiest method is to Google "QR reader" and the model of your 'phone
- Basic information and links on our webpage: <u>www2.hud.ac.uk/cls/library/usingIT/qrcodes.php</u>
- Visit www.tigtags.com/getqr on your mobile to get a list of compatible readers to download.

How did we promote them?

Curiosity & Greed.

What am I?



Read this QR code for a chance to win a £100 voucher towards a new mobile phone.



Did it work?

Promotion (entries) general awareness

8% recognised one initially – 22% after a term

Usage

Links to electronic books ranged from just 1 access to 16 times, depending on title.

Links to electronic journals codes were scanned only 22 times in total.

The mobile friendly videos were viewed between 21 times and 140, with a tour of floor 6 of the library the most popular video.

Catalogue QR codes were used 125 times during this period.

Next steps

For QR codes

• Other options...

Contact details / etc

 More stuff by me (including this talk) at http://bit.ly/lilacAW

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