Penguin poop, breaking the internet and doughnuts
What it’s really like working in research support

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Who am I?
(psychanalysis optional)
Late one afternoon...
21st century researcher

Undertakes a project and produces an output

Cycle of research projects with career progression

Facing increased pressures
21st century academic library

Moving from content provider to content creator

Increased external pressures - REF

Calls for changing publication models

New ways of supporting researchers
Terminology

Open Access

Research Data Management

Copyright

Text and data mining

Publishing models
Day in the life

Advice and support
Teaching and training
Advocacy
Interpretation
Paperwork
Last October …

Stephen Hawking's expanding universes thesis breaks the internet

Stephen Hawking's 1966 PhD work, made freely available for Cambridge's repository website

Stephen Hawking's Doktorarbeit erstmals online veröffentlicht - Webseite hält Nachfrage nicht stand

Cambridge University's website as physics fans flocked to read his work.
Research lifecycle
Pin the tail on the donkey
Pin the tail on the donkey
Pin the activity on the lifecycle
Skills

Adaptability

Ability to communicate

Persistence

Willingness to learn

Patience

Subject knowledge
Next steps

Make use of your network
Be adaptable
Value your skills
Expect the unexpected
Enjoy it!
And finally...
Questions?
THANKS FOR LISTENING

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