



CourseCast of the Week – May 26, 2008 – Episode 50

Key Topics:

- Napster Gets Back to Its Roots
- Professor Sues Online Class Notes Company
- News Briefs

Talk About It:

1. What type of company is Napster? Who is Napster's competition? (Napster Gets Back to Its Roots)
2. Have you ever accessed an online class notes company for study material? Do you think there is anything wrong with a professor suing the company? Why or why not? (Professor Sues Online Class Notes Company)

Explore Technology:

1. Log on to the web and search for news items related to Napster. What is significant about Napster's past in regards to file-sharing networks? (Napster Gets Back to Its Roots)
2. Research DRM-free music. What is DRM-free music? Why is that significant? What does MP3 format mean? (Napster Gets Back to Its Roots)

Think Critically:

1. Where do you see the online music industry headed? (Napster Gets Back to Its Roots)
2. Do you think it is cheating to access the class notes materials online? How much value is a degree if you don't learn the material? (Professor Sues Online Class Notes Company)