



CourseCast of the Week – September 22, 2008 – Episode 67

Key Topics:

- Hackers Target Republicans
- Exporting Toxic Waste
- Going 3-D
- News Briefs

Talk About It:

1. What are several US companies dumping? Where is it being dumped? What problems are these electronic devices causing? How should these companies dispose of these electronic devices? (Exporting Toxic Waste)
2. Which types of media are expecting to go 3-D in the future? How will 3-D differ from 2-D? (Going 3-D)

Explore Technology:

1. Research what you should do with a computer that is of no use to you. Where in your area can you take your worn-out computer equipment? (Exporting Toxic Waste)
2. Several stories refer to hackers? Using the Internet, determine what a computer and network hacker are and how he/she is able to hack in to someone's account or website. If caught, what are the consequences of hacking? (Hackers Target Republicans; News Briefs)

Think Critically:

1. How do you feel about Republican Vice-Presidential candidate, Sarah Palin's Yahoo! account being hacked? What do you think the Hackers hoped to achieve by doing this? Were they successful? Should they be punished? (Hackers Target Republicans)
2. What would a future employer find if they googled you or looked you up on Facebook or MySpace. Based on your findings, would you hire you? Why or why not? (News Briefs)