



CourseCast of the Week – January 19, 2009 – Episode 84

Key Topics:

- Steve Takes a Break
- YouTube Gags Video
- News Briefs

Talk About It:

1. Who is Steve Jobs? What are some of his accomplishments? What is wrong with him? What effect did his leaving have on Apple stock? (Steve Takes a Break)
2. What did you learn about adding a song as background audio to a video posted on YouTube? How does YouTube determine which videos contain copyright-infringing music? (YouTube Gags Video)

Explore Technology:

1. Find out who Steve Jobs is. Research his influence in the tech industry. What interesting facts did you learn about the man—Steve Jobs. (Steve Takes a Break)
2. Learn more about the Downadup (Conficker) worm. What does it do? List two credible sources for locating information about worms. (News Briefs)

Think Critically:

1. Did you know that adding copyright protected songs to a YouTube video was illegal? What do you think about YouTube's policy for removing videos containing copyrighted songs? Did you know that 95 percent of the music downloaded in 2008 was illegal? What do you think should be the solution for this growing problem? (YouTube Gags Video; News Briefs)
2. Does it bother you that Barack Obama plans to continue the use of his Blackberry as president, despite concerns expressed about security and privacy? Explain your answer. (News Briefs)