



CourseCast of the Week – April 6, 2009 – Episode 95

Key Topics:

- Tether-blocking
- News Briefs

Talk About It:

1. Do you have an iPhone or GPhone, or do you know someone who does? What is a big frustration for these users? What is tethering? Why is tethering software banned by Apple and Google? (Tether-blocking)
2. Technology abroad — What is happening in Japan? What are Google Street View crews photographing? What is the new law enacted in Sweden? (News Briefs)

Explore Technology:

1. The Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) reports a 33 percent increase in reports of Internet-based crimes in 2008. What are Internet-based crimes? Search the Internet to find out. (News Briefs)
2. Research what technology is needed to allow physicians to observe patients remotely. When do you think this technology will be made available for all hospitals? (News Briefs)

Think Critically:

1. What do you think about blocking the ability to tether? Should tethering software be banned? Why or why not? What might a possible solution be to tether-blocking? (Tether-blocking)
2. What difference do you think you will see in theaters using digital projectors? Will it cause the price of tickets to go up? (News Briefs)