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During a conference period, teachers are discussing technology over coffee in the teachers' lounge. One teacher states using curriculum software to augment an already good curriculum is not necessary for a good education. Also, another teacher chimes in and mentions using curriculum software seems to be a distraction to learning since students are always text messaging and using the Internet too much anyway. Respond to these two statements about curriculum software and supply support to your position with information gained from the lecture, readings and investigations from Unit 1 or from other sources that you believe to be valid and reliable. Include at least two supporting statements for each of the two positions.

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Drill-and-practice software is often referred to by the derogatory term "drill and kill." Do you believe this happens because the number of situations is diminishing in which drill-and-practice software would be the strategy of choice, or because teachers fail to recognize appropriate situations for using it or this type of software seems to be over used? Drill-and-practice software has been used successfully in many cases of Math, Language Arts, Science; Social Studies where terms and definitions are essential to move on to higher order skills. Respond to this common situation in today's education institutions using one of the above suggested responses or something that motivates or encourages a response from career experience. Be sure to; cite specific examples of what you consider Pros & Cons for of Drill & Practice software

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Your friend and fellow colleague has invited you to be a speaker at a future teacher association meeting at your high school. The topics which are encouraged for you to discuss are “The Integrating Technology Hardware which will increase technology knowledge, skills, and dispositions for students”. Provide an appropriate but brief overview of the discussion topics which specifically indicate Integrating Technology Hardware. Include Pros and Cons of being able to acquire adequate hardware for all students to have access, yet, the critical need for all students to have Real World experiences in the classrooms of today. Hopefully, Unit 1 lecture, readings and investigations will provide the necessary information to defend the access to technology hardware and encourage future teachers in your audience to voice their opinions for the need of Real World experience to become more tech savvy teachers in their future careers.

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Common knowledge about the pitfalls of the WWW (Internet) such as: inappropriate web sites, online predators, fraudulent activities, computer viruses abound whenever it is discussed, however, it still survives and even continual is growing. It seems to be unlimited in scope and depth to supply any and all knowledge or information needed to a worldwide user group.

Comment on ways Education and society should deal with these important negative aspects of the WWW (Internet). Respond to at least two of these shortcomings of the WWW (Internet) and sustain your position with information gained from the lecture, readings and investigations from Unit 1 or from other valid and reliable sources. Include supporting statements for both or more of these disadvantages.

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Many educators believe that with the growth of so many different types of media along with information technology, media literacy is just as important as or even more important than print literacy, that is, learning to read and write. Keep in mind other types of literacy such as: computer literacy and integration literacy are critical issues which are equally as important. What is your position on the relative importance of these many "literacies"? Equally as many educators cite computer, information, and integration literacy as all being essential in today's world. Even though "literacy" is a very well defined term in any literacy, respond with adequate comments as to your opinion of any type of literacy. Be sure to cite specific examples to support responses.