

Chapter 2 After You Read

Section 2.1 After You Read Answers

Review Key Concepts

1. The Internet connects computers globally, and the Web is a software system that uses the Internet's network.
2. The three main types of Internet connections, according to the section, are dial-up, broadband, and wireless. Broadband tends to be more expensive than dial-up, and has faster transmission rates. Broadband provides a continuous and instantaneous connection to the Internet, whereas dial-up often disconnects suddenly. A wireless connection offers the greatest convenience, as it makes the Internet portable (without the need for cables or cords). However, wireless access is more limited and the connection is less reliable than other types.

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3. Paragraphs will vary but should describe examples of how students use Internet resources.
4. Reports will vary but should describe how students think businesses might use at least two of the Internet resources identified in the section (such as e-mail, FTP sites, and instant messaging).

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Section 2.2 After You Read Answers

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1. The two basic functions of a Web browser are to translate text-based code into graphical Web pages and to let the user move from one page to another.
2. Plug-ins work with browsers to retrieve certain information over the Internet. Plug-ins must be installed in order to play certain file formats encountered on the Web.

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3. Paragraphs will vary but should describe how multimedia resources (that is, productions using text, graphics, animation, audio, or video) are used online.
4. Paragraphs will vary but should describe the possible consequences if a university's Web site ended in .com rather than .edu. For example, the .com extension would create the impression that the university was a company selling products or services rather than an institution of learning.

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Section 2.3 After You Read Answers

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1. It is important to follow the rules of netiquette because treating people with courtesy protects their privacy and makes online communication more productive and enjoyable.
2. Criteria for identifying the purpose, assumptions, and propaganda techniques of an online resource include determining the relevance of the information, evaluating the reliability, examining how recent the information is, and determining whether the information is verifiable.

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3. Paragraphs will vary but should evaluate the chosen Web site's audience and any misleading propaganda techniques.
4. Presentations will vary but should share the outcomes of recent court cases involving the illegal downloading of music.

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