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Case study Proposal:

IPads, Tablets and E-Readers

Times have changed in the classroom with the creation of iPads, Tablets and E-Readers. Students have more opportunities to learn how to read, find information, and have tools easily accessible. With IPads, Tablets and E-Readers in the classroom also have the opportunity to save on class materials, class space and class time. As the technology of these products grows, so does the applications that have in the classroom.

This project will look at IPads, Tablets and E-Readers and see which one has the most benefits and functionality in the classroom. This study will look at the iPad, Nook (E-Reader), Microsoft Surface Pro (Tablet) and Samsung Galaxy (Tablet) and determine the pros and cons of each product. By looking at these different products, I will be able to discuss the similarities and differences between each product; each of these products offers different applications and uses. In this research, I will look at the implications of this technology and how they can be used in the classroom.

I will also research the ethics of this technology and how we can teach students how to how to use it appropriately. Students will need to learn how to use technology but also learn how to rely on the natural skills and abilities. With the easy access to technology and all the tools they offer, it is important that students do not rely on technology and use it as a crutch in order to learn. There needs be a balance between using natural abilities and using these products as their way of learning and completing task. Students will also learn how to be safe while using the technology and learn how to use these products correctly.

The reason why I want to study these three different products is that I can become more aware of the uses and their applications. These products all offer different applications and uses and I want to be able to give my students the best technology tool that will give them the most benefits. I am still new to this technology and through this study, I will learn more about these tools and how they were created and how they work. Each product runs on different operating systems; by learning the different operating systems, it will allow me to become more aware of different systems and their functions. By learning about different operating systems, it will enable me to learn more of the background of technology. This will then allow me to take my knowledge of technology to the next level of understanding. This study will benefit my peers in my class to learn about different product and how they can be used. The goal of this study is to have myself and my peers to look at different tablet technologies.