

Open Forum 2

Web Site Worksheet

Chapter 10

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. Preparing to Listen

You are going to hear two co-workers talking about taking classes over the Internet.

Before you listen, think about the following questions.

What kinds of difficulties do students encounter when registering for college classes?

Can you think of three advantages of taking classes over the Internet?

What are two disadvantages of taking classes over the Internet?



2. Listening for Main Ideas

Read questions 1 and 2. Listen to the conversation. Then choose the correct answer for each question.

- James is trying to _____.
 - register for classes at a community college
 - decide what subject to major in
 - register for an online course
- According to Rick, online classes are _____.
 - the same as traditional classes
 - more convenient than traditional classes
 - more challenging than traditional classes



3. Listening for More Detail

Read questions 3–10. Listen to the conversation again and choose the correct answer for each question.

- James finds it difficult to complete his education at the community college because _____.
 - many of the classes are held while he is at work
 - he cannot afford tuition
 - it does not offer the courses he needs
- James wants a degree so that he can _____.
 - move ahead in the company where he works
 - find a job at a different company
 - go to graduate school

- According to Rick, one advantage of taking online classes is _____.
 - scheduling
 - cost
 - forming relationships with classmates
- In his online courses, Rick has to _____.
 - send email to his classmates
 - post comments on a discussion board
 - meet with his classmates in person
- Rick often participates in his online classes _____.
 - before he goes to work
 - during the weekend
 - while he is at his job
- According to Rick, in an online course _____.
 - it is easy to form relationships with other students
 - it is difficult to catch up if you fall behind
 - students are not taught by qualified professors
- Rick gets the following reading materials over the Internet:
 - tests, textbooks, and grades
 - class lectures and tests
 - class lectures and journal articles
- Rick and James met _____.
 - at work
 - through a friend named Ethan
 - in a class