Lesson 14: Practice PT

The Internet and Society

Goals: You will be able to...

- Research a global impact of the Internet
- Create and present a flash talk on a global impact of the Internet
- Analyze the relationship of an Internet technology to the impact.

Getting Started

- At the beginning of this unit we looked at Vint Cerf's RFC entitled "The Internet is for Everyone" in which he laid out some challenges to the prospect that the Internet would be a large scale, open resource for everyone.
- However, the scale of human history, the Internet is still relatively new and the Internet had introduced some new and potentially difficult issues for people and society that have never existed before.
- By the same token a large number of people do not understand as much about the Internet and how it works as you do.

Practice PT

- Several major issues facing society today require a knowledge of the Internet and how it works in order to have a well-informed opinion about what's best or the right thing to do.
- Over the next few days you will research one of these issues and prepare a (very) short presentation about it – a Flash Talk

Practice PT: 3 main components

- Pick an issue and research it
- Prepare (write) a Flash Talk
- Deliver it

Day 1: Start Research

- Choose a topic:
 - Net Neutrality
 - Internet Censorship
 - Advanced: Protocol Hacks and Vulnerabilities

Day 2: Start Flash Talk Prep

- Conclude research
- Prepare (write) script or flash talk (about 300 words)

Day 3: Finish and Deliver