

## IT AND ME—GRADE 9 CURRICULUM

**Standard:** Technology and Society

**Time:** Up to 2 hours

**Objectives:**

1. The students will become aware of and be able to discuss current issues in technology.
2. Students will be able to present orally a summary of information and field questions from their peers.

**Activities:**

For homework the student will locate an article in a current newspaper, magazine, or on-line news group that deals with a trend in current technology. Example: the wireless keyboard and mouse. The student will present a one-minute speech on this information. Each student will read and take notes on a 3 x 5 index card. On the index card, in addition to the summary, the student must put their name, the source of the article information and the date of it. *I like to give a few days for students to find an article.*

On the due date, students will be asked to stand in front of the class and summarize their article. When complete, students in the classroom may ask questions regarding the information presented. Students are asked to turn in their index card to the teacher upon completion.

**Materials:**

1. 3 x 5 cards
2. newspapers and magazines for those students who resources are limited and unlikely to find some

**School to Career Connection:**

Guest speakers to speak on areas of current technology.