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To Kathleen van Dusen,

I chose Gen AI, focusing on AI Chat boxes as my current event.

AI's popularity permitted it to bridge itself into the school system. More precisely, AI chat boxes. As a CNT Student, I love anything which is IT related. Moreover, I love AI Chat boxes and use them a lot in the academic setting. I used the following questions to get my prereading sources.

- What are AI Chat boxes?
- What are my concerns on the topic?
- Which reference did I use to quench my inquiries?

When defining an AI Chat box, John Terra says in *"What Is an AI Chatbot, and How Do They Work?"*, it is "... a program that uses Natural Language Processing (or NLP for short) to comprehend written or spoken language, detect the asker's intent, and deliver the optimal response." ^a That is more likely what happens when learning, we get to question things and expect answers or procedures.

But then, though useful, is it appropriate to use AI Chat boxes in school? Is it bad if doing research, which used to be a tedious task has been facilitated through AI toward students? How does it affect a student creativity and the delivery of a lesson by an instructor?

I mostly used the article written by Ashmita Gupta entitled *"School students are loving AI tools like ChatGPT, but there are some obvious pitfalls to this!"* ^b. My conclusion was **«Balance»**. Learning is not supposed to be tedious but should not make us dumb either.

I have a few inquiries on the Workshop assignment.

- The topic being broad (AI), should our participation focus on only one aspect of the topic, or can we cover more than one aspect?
- What should the preparatory content have?
- Who are the participants, my group members or the class?

Visual aids are the facilitation tools I would recommend. It helps in maintaining focus and it is easier to explain with a visual aid. The workshop being on AI, there would be a lot of visual aids to find on the topic too.

Thanks,

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