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The way we learn and understand things is influenced by the type of classroom we are in. In the past, the term "classroom" referred only to a physical space. However, with the COVID-19 pandemic, online learning has become increasingly popular. As everyone has different preferences, it can be difficult to determine which option is better.

Online classes are digital learning environments where teachers and students interact virtually through live lectures, video calls, and digital whiteboards. Online classrooms are designed to mimic the experience of on-site classes, with added benefits such as file sharing, quick feedback, and virtual interaction. They allow students and teachers to connect and collaborate from anywhere and on multiple devices. Online classrooms also offer flexibility, allowing students to work on their projects at any time of day and from any location with adequate internet service. This type of learning is cost-effective and provides privacy, making it ideal for those who are averse to conflict.

On the other hand, on-site classrooms bring students and teachers together in a physical setting where they can directly engage with one another. On-site classrooms contain projection screens, boards, teachers, and class monitors. They provide an academic environment that surrounds students with books, classes, and other activities, as well as direct guidance from teachers and interactions with classmates. This generates an atmosphere that encourages students to study and focus more. On-site classrooms also allow students to interact with one another, improving their teamwork and leadership abilities.

Online classrooms have some drawbacks, such as less opportunities for students to engage in recreational activities, limited collaboration, and lack of interpersonal skills development. On-site classrooms can be more expensive due to the need to purchase textbooks and other supplies. Additionally, participation in courses is required to receive course credit, and some students must commute long distances, which can be time-consuming and costly. On-site classes also offer less flexibility for students who need to work part-time.

Education is crucial for everyone, but when deciding on the best form of schooling, people have different preferences. It is up to individuals to prioritize what is important to them. While online classrooms offer flexibility and cost-effectiveness, they may lack opportunities for socialization and teamwork. On-site classrooms provide an academic environment that encourages students to focus and interact with their peers, but can be more expensive and less flexible. In the end, it is important to consider the benefits and drawbacks of each type of classroom and choose the one that best suits your needs.