Internet Concepts with HTML

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**User-Generated Content on the Internet**

This chapter really helped me understand a lot about, how the Internet communications of today work. Most of us use these services and tools but don’t realize the facts. I have always seen that when you install smartphones apps, they ask you if you wish to have push notifications. Is interesting now to know that there’s a communication process behind it called push technology. I was not educated about this fact before so now I can understand clearly. Is also good to know that there is a reverse alternative called pull technology.

I never heard before the term Web 2.0, the chapter actually explains this clearly so you can then embrace other terms involving social networking and sources of information such as podcasts. I also picked this new term on my repertoire, mashups. This is the first time I heard of it. Once I read the about them, I understood that I have been using sites associated to this term like Travelocity.

Back in the early 2000s, I used to chat using IRC. I used to have an IRC software where chatting was fun. You could change the font, color and background of your chat. You could create chat channels and be a moderator, have people sign up to your channel etc. It was a lot of fun. I also got to use ICQ but I chatted not so much, I used it mostly to send files to friends.

I was not very big in using social media such as Facebook. I usually was just a user of Microsoft Messenger. I think that I started using Facebook around 2008. I remember that I even came back and closed the account because I didn’t trust the site. It was a couple years later, in 2010 that I actually kept a Facebook account. I personally find blogs boring so I try to avoid them. The chapter also help me understand where the term “tweet” came from and the hashtag.