The opening case can potentially represent a realistic scenario because in the corporate environment, projects can fail as a result of under-experienced workers. The term under-experienced is used because the workers in the opening case failed to notice critical flaws that kept the DNA-sequencing instrument from working, however Nick did. Although Nick managed to create the product on time the underlying problem still persists and that is that the workers are possibly under-experienced. Nick was a good lead developer, however not a good project manager because he failed to address the underlying issue as project manager. It is apparent that Nick does not have any project management experience. Top management could have confirmed this beforehand by perusing Nick’s resume, after which, guidelines or documentation on project management could have been provided. What Nick should have done instead was to get the development team up to scratch without spending too much time on this process. In such situations communication is the key factor. The project should be broken down into fundamental units that are modular. Goals should be well defined and meetings should be held regularly, for example, every 1-2 weeks. Project management artifacts such as work breakdown structures and Gantt charts should be used.