**Rice, William. *Blackboard Essentials for Teachers Build and Deliver Great Courses Using This Popular Learning Management System*. Packt Pub., 2012.**

* This book provided an in-depth of the benefits of using Blackboard not just for school, classroom but also for group work. On the book, the author have briefly explained each of the main section such as Announcement, Gradebook, Assignment, Test, Group, etc,. (Rice, 2) In each section, there’s another sub-section which allow user as a teacher to organize the content in that section (Rice, 3). Throughout the book, it gives the reader a pretty much basic concept of what they can do with the new software, each of the section will have a step by step instructions that guide the user directly to the place for the function, so they didn’t require any high computer skills at all. As a person have used Blackboard since high school, I can tell that this software is extremely helpful for any size of class with any number of teacher. Student can submit their work online and teacher can grade the stuff up there too, reduce the use of paper, time and cost efficient. Blackboard support on all device and operating system. On Desktop or Laptop, just use the browser, on Phone, Tablet, there’s an app for that. The security is implemented as all the file transfer will be decrypted using a third party software, which means only the instructors and the student have access to the file. As Blackboard are currently being used worldwide, we can totally trust about their services as well as there will be less issue with the software than a new software for sure.

**Floyd, and Miguel, Scott, Guhlin S. “Course Management Systems.” 2012, pp. 117–122.**

* This book focus more on how to use social media to become part of the classroom. The 214 pages long book begin with how technology have changed our life, especially in school behaviour. Today, most of the assignment, grades, quiz and even exam can be conducted through a screen. Some students, especially those lazy one will love this, as they always have the answer on their hand, ready to use without getting caught, and that is the side-effect of using technology. But regardless of anyhow, teachers have to admitted that using technology is much more convenient than using traditional method with paper. With the development of social media, especially the fact that every person use at least one social media on their daily basis, teachers are now thinking of using media as a teaching method. In high school, back in Vietnam, I’ve been to a class where the teacher have set up a group on Facebook and called it the classroom, where we can exchange information. The advantage of that is, people use Facebook like every hour, so they can easily catch up with anything, from school, work or group project with just a notification. I personally have a Blackboard app on my phone, but I rarely use it or only to check my marks while I am away. Facebook, can have as many admin as you want in a group, or referred to as teacher and an unlimited amount of students in the group. This facebook group is cost-efficient, take less time, does not require much technology skills and can exist as long as they want. Some teachers never use social media, so this can be a challenge for them, however, with a lots of people around them using it, it shouldn’t take long for a new person to learn it. The only disadvantage of this is you cannot submit your work, as well as grading system, but in the other hand, you can still receive instruction from instructors. This tend to be the future of teaching technology system software as many people don’t find it interesting to log in to their Blackboard software.