Activity Four

Communications Technology Fair

In this activity, you and your classmates will learn about many different modern communications technologies that help people around the world stay connected and exchange information for business, research, and educational purposes.

First, use the internet or library resources to research a list of 10–20 different communications technologies that people use for any of the following uses:

• staying in touch with family and friends
• keeping up with news and world events
• work and business
• education

Second, have each student in your class choose a technology from the list to learn more about. Students may work alone or in teams.

Once you have chosen your product, research answers to the following questions:

• How does the technology work?
• What devices do people use to access the technology?
• What other technologies support the use of this technology?
• How does the technology help people?
• How does the technology affect globalization?

Make a poster presentation that answers all of the questions above and contains photographs of the technology and/or its applications.

Third, set up a Communications Technology Fair in your classroom or common school area, such as the auditorium. Display the posters and products on tables, and have students stand near their displays to answer questions. Invite students, teachers, parents, and other members of your school community to walk through the Communications Technology Fair.