

Classwork #1--- Work with a partner in your major. Answers should be word-processed.

1. On the Internet find two "e-zines" in our field. Give a complete description of the content focus and subscription requirements for each. If available, also give submission requirements for anyone wanting to send them an article.
2. Go to the Internet and find two software or component manufacturers, service providers or consulting/training companies in your field.(must be ones not commonly in public eye) Hint: if you pick a component, such as a chip or controller or testing device, you might look for OEM's (original equipment manufacturers). These are the companies that make the components that go into larger industrial or consumer devices; you will likely never hear their name on the TV or even see the name on the device, yet it is entirely possible you will work for one.
3. Using two of the online databases among the library resources, find two articles about something newsworthy your field. Note: be sure to secure passwords for any that require passwords—librarian will have a passwords sheet for you. Record the source citation of each in APA documentation format. (You may use adapted APA format found in Rules of Thumb or APA format described in your text.)
4. Go to [www.careerbuilder.com](http://www.careerbuilder.com) and find a job title in your field that is not entry level. List the qualifications required, both education and experience.
5. What is [www.globalspec.com](http://www.globalspec.com)?
6. What is a white paper? Note that the "ask Jeeves" method of answering this question is not particularly useful.
7. Go to [www.howstuffworks.com](http://www.howstuffworks.com) . Choose an article on a technology related to your field of study. Give a brief (2 sentences) description of the audience for whom the article was intended and the level of formality or learnedness the writer's style conveys.
8. On the Internet find a conference coming up in your field of study. You should type in as search words terminology peculiar to your field. Example: not telecommunications but 'radio frequency communications' or 'cable switching devices'. Not 'test equipment' but 'patient monitoring equipment.' Record the name of the conference, sponsoring organization (if noted), date and location of conference and the title of one keynote address or session.