



5 Thoughts About Technology

1 Schools have become just one of many places in both the real and virtual world where students can get an education. Some of their best teachers will be outside the classroom walls.
—Will Richardson, p. 10

2 Instead of merely using technology for the sake of using it, teachers should see technology as a way to make their best practices even better.
—Mike Dappolone, p. 69

3 Technology isn't about "stuff." Rather, it's an extension of our brains. It's a new way of thinking. It's the solution we humans have created to deal with our complex, ambiguous, and rapidly changing world. *—Marc Prensky, p. 22*

4 Educators would be wise to think of their social networking identity as an extension of who they are in the classroom and to tread lightly as they venture into this new world.
—DeAnna Hamblin and Marilyn J. Bartlett, p. 44

5 We cannot prepare our young people to thrive in today's society—in which people are connected 24 hours a day by media and coworkers may well live in different countries—without giving them some practice with new media at school.
—William Kist, p. 38