

# Technology Current Events Assignment Sheet

**Assignment:** A technology current event is defined as any newsworthy information regarding technology that has happened within the last month. Such events may include technology businesses, software, new products, changes in technology, etc. The articles must have some depth to them. Half-page articles and press releases are insufficient unless there's something really exceptional about them. The class will discuss new trends in technology based on the articles you review. Each current event is worth 50 points.

**Procedure:** Students will search the Internet for current newsworthy events in technology and write a paper that presents facts and opinions on their topic. The paper must be one page typed and double-spaced. There are many great sources of technology news on the web.

- I especially like the [tech news page](http://technews.acm.org/) at the Association of Computing Machinery. <http://technews.acm.org/>
- Another excellent source is the American Association for Artificial Intelligence's [AI in the News](http://aitopics.org/news) page. <http://aitopics.org/news>
- MIT's Technology Review has a great [Computing section](http://www.technologyreview.com/computing/). <http://www.technologyreview.com/computing/>
- [Wired Magazine](http://www.wired.com/) always has something interesting – just make absolutely sure it's related to computer technology somehow. <http://www.wired.com/>
- [The New York Times technology section](http://www.nytimes.com/pages/technology/index.html) usually has something good – once again, make sure it's related to computer technology somehow. <http://www.nytimes.com/pages/technology/index.html>
- [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) -Tech (You will have to scroll down to find the links)
- [www.cbsnews.com](http://www.cbsnews.com) - SciTech (link is on the top of the home page)
- [www.abcnews.go.com](http://www.abcnews.go.com) - Tech (link is on the top of the home page)
- <http://www.bloomberg.com/technology>
- <http://www.nytimes.com/pages/technology/>
- <http://news.cnet.com/> Hover your mouse over News at the top and choose a category that has to do with technology
- <http://www.boston.com/business/technology/>
- <http://discovermagazine.com/topics/technology>
- <http://www.forbes.com/>

Required Items:

<b>Title of Article:</b>	List article title (2 points)
<b>Name of Source and Date/Title:</b>	Newspaper, Internet, and/or magazine title and the month, day, year and title of article must be present (3 points)
<b>Provide Link:</b>	Must include a link to the original article on your typed document (5 points)
<b>Article Summary:</b>	At least one paragraph (3 sentence minimum) summary of the facts dealing with the event. (10 points)
<b>Editorial:</b>	At least one paragraph (3 sentence minimum) describing your opinion of the current event. (10 points)
<b>Impact:</b>	At least one paragraph (3 sentence minimum) describing how the event may or may not affect you and those around you. (10 points)
<b>Presentation:</b>	Present your Current Event to the class. (10 points)

**50 Total points for Technology Current Event**

**Due in your folder by the beginning of class Wednesday**