Wading Through the Web Student Handout

Complete the worksheet below as you move through the PowerPoint presentation.

1. Can you think of any other ways the Internet and other texts are different? The same?

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2. After looking at the first two to three sites on Google, how helpful do you think the information is?

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How is the information in Yahoo! different from the information you found in Google?

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3. How might a metasearch engine like CactiSearch be more helpful than a regular search engine?

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4. List the categories from Vivisimo that you might use to write a report about the life and accomplishments of Vasco da Gama.

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5. How does the information you get from Brainboost differ from the information you got on other search engines? What else do you notice on the left hand side?

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6. How might KartOO be more helpful than other sites? What makes it unique?

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7. How would you explain the benefits of using an Advanced Search to someone who had never tried it before?

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8. What would you type into the search box if you wanted to find out about the Vasco da Gama Church?

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What would you type into the search box if you wanted to find out about Vasco da Gama or any other Portuguese explorers?

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What would you type into the search box if you wanted to find out about Vasco da Gama’s voyages and also find a map of the countries where he landed?

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9. Fill in the following information for the website linked on the PowerPoint
(Historic Figures: Vasco da Gama:
http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/historic_figures/gama_vasco_da.shtml)

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