

"ROBOTS IN CLASS" SAMPLE QUESTIONS

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Right There Questions

1. What is the program called that helps children in hospital be a part of the classroom? (PEBBLES)
2. What is the name of Achim's robot? (Mr. Spike)
3. Where did the PEBBLES program start? (Toronto, Canada)

Think and Search Questions

1. Are there any clues that help us understand how the students feel about the robot? (Some students treat the robot like it's an actual person, Achim said it's like a video game and he might like video games, it has had positive results)
2. What information do we find out about how the robot works? (They work in pairs, there is a robot in the class and in the hospital, teacher can scan in work for the student in the hospital to work on, the students in class can see the student in the hospital, the robot can move from class to class)

Author and Me Questions

1. If you interviewed Achim what questions would you have asked him to add to the article?
2. What was something that surprised or really interested you in the article?
3. Do you think this project is helpful to students in the hospital? Why?

On My Own Questions

1. How do you think you would feel if you were going to class via a robot?
2. What would be some things that would be easy or hard to do if you went to school through a robot?