

## Chat Room Log: Reality and Identity Group 6

Wednesday, October 31, 2007

10:59 AM: **NikkiZ** has entered the room.

11:01 AM: **boo** has entered the room.

11:01 AM: **bob** has entered the room.

11:01 AM: **bob**: heyyy

11:05 AM: **NikkiZ**: Good Morning. I think the quote that most stands out to me is the one by Rebecca Morre

11:05 AM: **NikkiZ**: ....wait I'm not finished

11:08 AM: **bob**: i was just reading each on individually and evaluating them in the first quote i like how the author compares the commands a computer gets to a pulling of a trigger.

11:09 AM: **NikkiZ**: ...Moore about internet plagarism. This is something I would like to know more about so that I do not fall prey to it. Rebecca Moore notes that with the introduction of new technology comes a cultural fear....the fear of so much accessible text offered on the internet

11:11 AM: **bob**: yea the issues of whos property a quote was becomes shaky on the interent

11:12 AM: **NikkiZ**: ....wait, I hit the wrong button...does pose a problem of due ownership and provides a temptation to steal others thoughts and ideas in order to "meet the quota" of pages in that 5 page paper that's due on Friday.

11:13 AM: **bob**: we will adapt to the changing technology it just seems over welming at first like the printing press and mass education referred to in this quote

11:13 AM: **NikkiZ**: I agree

11:13 AM: **bob**: say that again nikki i didnt understand

11:14 AM: **boo**: how does the dibbell quotation relate to this? how is the new technology--what we are doimh now, in many ways--alter publishing and the nature of publishing?

11:15 AM: **NikkiZ**: I always worry slightly...or there is always a question in the back of my mind when using stuff i find off the internet in an article, essay or paper, as to whether or not I have cited it correctly or adequately, ya know. Does that little book we bought for this class elude to that, and tell us how to correctly cite info we find online?

11:16 AM: **bob**: it may i was always taught to use .gov or .edu or .net if i wasnt sure for my sources your alwazys safe that way

11:17 AM: **bob**: the first quote really doesnt have to do publishing and the natre of publishing.....it does however talk about the use of tthe computer changing our everyday interaactions

11:19 AM: **boo**: yet, the act of clicking those buttons and act of participating the cyberspace is, very much, publishing

11:20 AM: **NikkiZ**: ....To answer your question, Bib, I guess the point I was trying to make is that there is so much information out there available online that is just sort of floating around out there that it is tempting or easy to "borrow" or "steal" someone elses original thoughts and ideas without giving that source the credit and it may be easy to "get away with it" because it could be reason away that it will never be able to be retrieved because its just one "fish" out there in a vast sea of other marine life.....I am certainly rambling at this point!

11:20 AM: **bob**: yea i guess all parts when using the computer will publish something especially on the web

11:21 AM: **bob**: i agree at times the interenet seems so large in theory that anyone could post a site that you could stumble over and think is fact

11:23 AM: **NikkiZ**: Isn't there a term in or for computer language for what Dibble is referring to in the first quote?.....

11:23 AM: **bob**: i dont no either???

11:24 AM: **NikkiZ**: It's on the tip of my tongue or should I say on the tip of my fingers...

11:24 AM: **bob**: hahaha

11:24 AM: **NikkiZ**: Someone out there help me.....

11:26 AM: **NikkiZ**: Also, two questions: What does "ineluctably" and "conflation"....they are surely 50cent words. :0)

11:27 AM: **bob**: haha conflation just using context clues seems to be to lesson or less

11:29 AM: **bob**: Moving on alittle I like the Devoss and Porter article about Napster and file sharing. Here they explain that with the interent you can access a wide variety of information without corporations controlling the information. This again in a way gives the power back to the people in our modern world

11:30 AM: **bob**: the corporations are forced now to adapt and change to keep up with the ever changing information world or be left behind by people like the creators of facebook and ebay

11:32 AM: **NikkiZ**: I also like how Dibbell sums up his quote....I like his style of writing...and I find what he writes to be very true: "this dangerous magic (or power), to be sure a potential threat---if misconstructured or misapplied---to our always precarious freedoms of expression...Boy that sort of puts it in perspective. We as writer's have "power" ....as the guy that wrote the bogging scholarship article said "to create social change." With emergence of the internet our scope and spectrum is large and vast.....

11:32 AM: **bob** has left the room.

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11:33 AM: **bob**: sorry i exed out the wrong box but im back now

11:36 AM: **NikkiZ**: ....yeah I agree....it really is amazing what is available now to the "everyday person" and will most definitely pose a huge threat to major publishing companies and the media industry!

11:37 AM: **NikkiZ**: Have you ever published anything you've written?

11:37 AM: **bob**: besides for wordpress when i hit the publish button...have you?

11:38 AM: **bob**: ive always felt like publishing something in a book not on the computer was a lot of work

11:38 AM: **boo**: how can we see the act of publishing on our blogs as a direct challenge to the traditional notions of

publishing?

11:39 AM: **bob**: well traditionally it took more money and time to publish a book

11:39 AM: **NikkiZ**: LOL....no, but I would like to....I just don't know how. I have a friend, who use to teach here, actually, who has published several articles and had written a book, i aksed for her input and advice several months ago, via internet, but had not received a response....so maybe its all about timing....

11:40 AM: **bob**: yea maybe but it would be easier to start with articles in journals or other things like that before starting on a book but i dont no for sure

11:41 AM: **bob**: back to publishing.....what do you think boo?

11:41 AM: **boo**: its a question of control

11:41 AM: **boo**: who is in control of publishing now, and who is in control of publishing when you are seated in fron tof your computer?

11:42 AM: **bob**: yea i guess the interent takes that control away from others and puts it on the individual

11:42 AM: **NikkiZ**: to respond to "boo's" question, It is much simpler and people can more readily access our work....in that way it may be more influential ????? However, there's no real financial profit in it is there?....I'm looking to make a little money in the process, though that is not my only goal.

11:43 AM: **bob**: well i guess if your site that you wirtte articles for gets enough advertising then you get paid I assume it must work something like that

11:43 AM: **bob**: there is money in every aspect of life and the interent is a groing aspect of life

11:44 AM: **bob**: what do you like to write specifically

11:45 AM: **bob**: ?

11:46 AM: **NikkiZ**: I guess.....it is all rather a new platform for me....the reason I am appreciating this class...i am learning a great deal and it is opening my eyes to a "new world" a new context and a new field...

11:46 AM: **bob**: i can agree with that...i would have never thought of the internet in the contexts that we talk about them in this class

11:47 AM: **NikkiZ**: ....several years ago, I wrote a weekly devotional entitled: A True Reflection....and it was posted on a website a friend had designed...it was pretty cool, my picture was on it and everything....

11:47 AM: **bob**: wow excuse my grammar its bad im just shooting out responses

11:47 AM: **NikkiZ**: No problem....

11:47 AM: **bob**: that is cool and a start to your goals to publish articles and make some money

11:48 AM: **boo** has left the room.

11:48 AM: **NikkiZ**: Anyway...I have tons of them sitting in my computer and I would like to complie them into a book someday.

11:49 AM: **bob**: thats more then a start it was good chatting with you goodbye for now

11:49 AM: **NikkiZ**: Thanks...

11:49 AM: **NikkiZ** has left the room.

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