**INDIVIDUAL TEAM MEMBER CHALLENGE:**

***Read carefully the following questions or items and make thorough and substantive responses for each item. The challenge is for you to independently understand well each question without asking your Instructor for any verification. The key is to READ WELL, THINK CRITICALLY, and REFLECTIVELY before answering each question or item.***

1. The teaching approach is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (choose the answer that best fits your belief to complete the sentence:

 [ a ] **FAILURE**, because: (give your justifications or reasons, provide

evidence or proofs and specific examples from your experience

and observation)

 [ b ] **SUCCESS**, because: (give your justifications or reasons, provide

evidence or proofs, and specific examples from your experience

and observations)

1. Using the screencast videos from this link that show how our course materials, course activities, assignments are posted and organized in Angel, ***identify*** and **discuss** the benefits if one spend time to make use of Angel resources since this is a replacement for the use of a Textbook. Here are the screen cast videos:

Getting into Angel and Finding Class Resources:

http://screencast.com/t/kBFmo01eZ

Communicate and Time Management Framework

http://screencast.com/t/5wRhZnSoBl7Y:

1. Put yourself in my place as Instructor and respond to student complaints as follows:

“ The disadvantage of this class is the use of technology such as Angel for the course materials since most students are used to having a textbook and printed materials. ”

“There are so many things to do for this class and I get confused of the schedule. The instructor should be requiring us to prepare for our persuasive speech while we have not yet delivered our informative speech.”

“The instructor is disorganized and student don’t always know what to do.”

“I learn better reading and memorizing than having to write reflective journals which this class is all about.”

1. The teaching approach is a success because you try to give us as much knowledge and information as possible to promote our individual success in your class. However, I personally have three 4 credit courses and a chemistry lab on my plate this semester long with your class and they require a lot of my time and attention. Due to this Cas 100 gets placed on the back burner sometimes, like when I have exams or big lab reports to work on for my other courses. This is not because I think the Cas 100 is unimportant, it is just because I can’t place something above studying for an exam or polishing my lab reports which are main factors in my success in other classes. This is why I love how your class works because you understand the demand of the students other courses most of the time and try to work with our schedules as well as do a lot of things during class time. Honestly in my opinion we have all the knowledge to excel in Cas 100 whether through previous experience or you’re teaching that we all should do well.
2. Angel is a very helpful resource not only in Cas 100, but other courses as well. It allows students to interact with their professors and it allows them to view their progress within the class. It also is a great place for teachers to post homework assignments and exams because it shows up on the daily schedule so students know what is going on and what is due.
3. Quote 1 – I can obviously see where having to utilize online resources rather than a physical textbook can upset some students. After all we are creatures of habit, but by utilizing Angel I have saved you the cost of at least one textbook which is a great benefit. Plus, it’s important to learn and understand technology now since it’s a huge part in everyone’s daily lives.

Quote 2 – I understand how these things may irritate some of the class due to heavy workloads in other courses. Therefore, I will take these things into consideration and make changes to the schedule as I see fit.

Quote 3 – Please inform me what I am conveying to you in a disorganized manner so I am able to find a way to clarify this issue and clear up confusion with in the class. Also speak up if things I am saying are confusing you.

Quote 4 – Reading and memorizing are harder than just listening, comprehending, and learning. By doing reflective journals I am challenging you to actually pay attention in class and then apply the knowledge to personal experience by having you tell me what you have learned. It also allows me to see what you are learning and taking from my class.