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CVCC Computer Networking Academy

I want to help you attain your goals in this class, but I need to know what your goals are. There is no penalty for being honest.

Students who have taken this class before could be placed into one of three categories. The three categories are:

- a. ____ Maximize their experience at CVCC to get as far as possible in pursuit of their career goals in Information technology and earn as many college credits as possible. 10-20%
- b. ____ Say you want to maximize the experience here but, honestly, will actually spend little time studying outside of class or doing any of the hard work required of learning everything you can. 80-90%
- c. ____ You're here because this class sounded more interesting than some of your other options, but you really just want to graduate high school and move on. Not really thinking much about the future yet. 10-20%
- d. ____ I have my own reasons to be here, and they are . . .

We all have our reasons why we are motivated to make the choices we make. Please indicate in which the three categories above that you would place yourself. If none of the three categories you feel apply to you, then write in the fourth option of the category you would describe yourself belonging to. (5 points)

No one becomes good at something by accident. There has to be a desire and engagement. Desire means you really want learn and be good at IT. Desire means you can picture yourself working in a technology field in the future and enjoying your work. In order to get good at IT, you will need to do the following:

8 Steps to Success in the Cisco Academy

1. Pay attention and engage in the class discussions (put cell phones away).
2. Read the online academy text and don't stop reading until you thoroughly understand the content.
3. Memorize important information outside of school for immediate recall.
4. Acquire hands-on skills through lab practice after school.
5. Study for quizzes and tests after school.
6. Miss as little class time as possible.
7. Don't cheat!! Don't sabotage your own education.
8. Prepare for and take and pass certification exams outside of school.

Which of the 8 steps to success are you willing to do? Circle each number in each step that you are willing to do. (5 points)