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COM 487: Internet and Society Prof. Cristiane S. Damasceno

Read the <u>NYT article</u> and watch <u>Dr. Sugata Mitra's TED talk</u>. Next, discuss the following questions with your group:

- 1. Describe kids/teenagers' access to computers in the two scenarios (NYT article and TED talk).
- 2. How are kids/teenagers using the computer? What are the differences and similarities?
- 3. What are some hypotheses we can elaborate to explain their different uses of the computer?
- 4. Which approach to the digital divide does better explain the situation presented in the TED talk and the NYT article?
- 5. What are some of the skills these young people can learning given how they use the computer?
- 6. Which scenario do you think can be more successful over time?