Information, Technology and Society

Sept 21

First lecture

AGENDA

- Last week

- This week:
  - No tutorials

- This class

- Introduction to course
  - Intro lecture/exercise
  - Syllabus
  - Tutors

Which one has to do with information?

Which one has to do with technology?
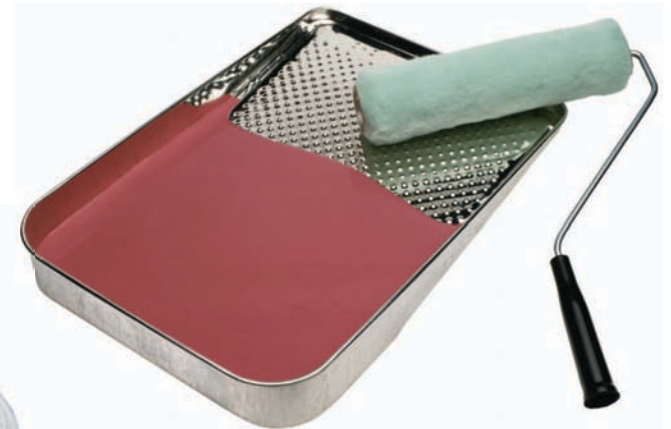
Which one has to do with society?

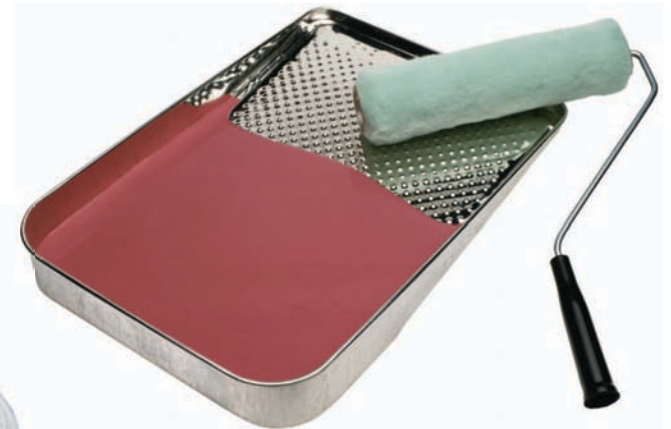# Which one has to do with capitalism?

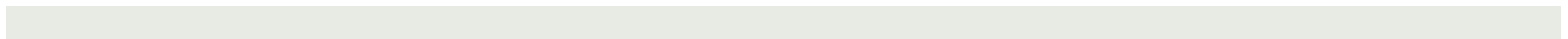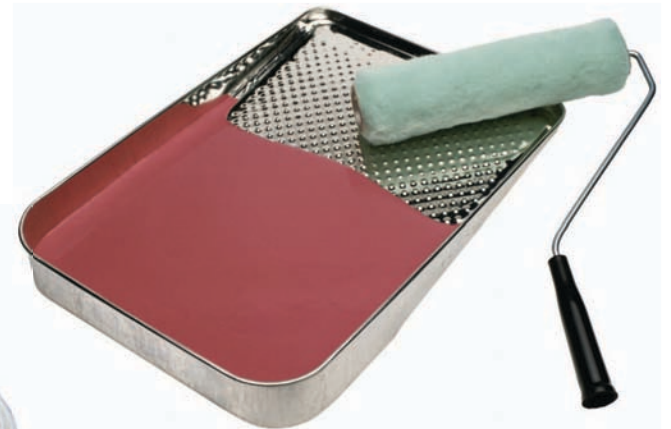# Which one has to do with global warming?

Which is the oldest technology?

Which uses information technology?

Which is most dangerous?

With a partner

- What is information?

- What is technology?

- What is society?

Critical Technology Studies

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Critical Technology Studies

- "examine the relationships between cultures, societies, identities, and communication technologies. The focus of this area is to expose students to different theories and methodologies that will allow them to identify and analyse the established, contemporary and emergent technologies. The emphasis here is on exploring the ways in which technology and society are co-constructed."

Critical

- Lazy persons critical: *notice only the negative*

- Lazy person's critical: *fail to notice the positive*

- Lazy person's critical: *critique just to critique*

One goal for this course:

Let us find a deeper version of critical?

Critical + Social

- How does this affect……. A person?

- How does this affect……Persons?

- How does this affect……..Those persons?

- How does this affect……..Our world?

Technology studies

technology as a means of analysis:

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Social