

ANSI Committee on Education

Standardization Case Studies

ACCOMPANYING QUESTION AND ANSWER WORKSHEET

As appropriate, please suggest recommended study, test or quiz questions / answers to accompany the case study proposed above.

Proposed Question	What is C++ and how do your pronounce it?
Proposed Answer	C++ is a computer programming language pronounced "see-plus-plus".
Proposed Question	A computer scientist at what company first developed the idea of C++?
Proposed Answer	Bell Labs

Proposed Question	What problems arose with C++ that led to its standardization?
Proposed Answer	C++ was somewhat vague, and various providers interpreted the description
	differently. An application developed using one system was unlikely to work
	with another. A vendor wishing to provide an application on different computer
	systems had to re-write parts of the program, affecting the ability to maintain or
	improve the application.

Proposed Question	Who serves as the ANSI-accredited U.S. Technical Advisory Group (TAG)
	Administrator to ISO/IEC JTC 1 SC22/WG21?
Proposed Answer	INCITS (the InterNational Committee for Information Technology Standards)
Proposed Question	What does the committee account its success to?
Proposed Answer	Operating by consensus.
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Proposed Question	What is consensus?

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Proposed Answer	When an acceptable resolution is arrived at in such a way that, even if not the
	"favorite" of each individual committee member, can be supported by all.