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This is the classroom of the past.



Thecasesolutions.com Therefore, it is essential for us to learn how to work in teams that cross cultural and geographic boundaries.

Thecasesolutions.com Characteristics of collaboration include:



In a virtual office, work is done through virtual teams. Individuals operate alone, then collaborate from afar. Communication is via email and conference calls (Wagner, 2008).



Individuals have the ability to work with ease, around the world with others of different cultures (Wagner, 2008).

Global Awareness

Critical thinking and problem solving are necessary to address global issues. In the new world of work, employees learn from and work collaboratively with those from diverse cultures, religions, and lifestyles. They possess a mutual respect and hold open dialogue (Wagner, 2008).

Leading by Influence

Students of today often lack leadership skills and the ability to influence. They have only experienced leadership that operates through obedience to top-down authority in a rigidly defined organization. They must learn that organizations are fluid and things out of their direct control can be influenced through reasoning and persuasion (Wagner, 2008).