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DianeSG: Sedat,

SedatA: yes Diane?

DianeSG: Sorry, are you the one that this group had the chat with?

SedatA: yes, that's right

DianeSG: How did that go:?

SedatA: I think it was really nice.

SedatA: because of the number of the attendants it was a bit confusing

SedatA: but when we think of the purpose of the Mini Expo

SedatA: I can say that we achieved the purpose

SedatA: "to introduce the Tapped In and to show how the teachers can use Tapped IN"

LeanneMM: good for you Sedat! I was worried it fell a bit flat

BJB2: I think that introduction step is something we have lost track of, Sedat

SedatA: but they explored in on their own

DianeSG: This would be an excellent learning tool. I am trying to get my old department interested in this concept of collaboration

BJB2: great, Diane.

JeffC: Good luck Diane... try getting them to login to Tapped In some time.

BJB2: Yes, Sedat, your students were very brave I was impressed with how well they did for their first visit

SedatA smiles

SedatA: they were really brave

SedatA: also they see me as their friends

SedatA: so they never hesitate while talking to me

SedatA: on the net or in the classroom

DianeSG: I need to go. Thank you for allowing me to listen in on your discussion and I have learned much,

LeanneMM: good rapport, Sedat...good attitude!

BJB2: thanks for joining us, Diane.

LeanneMM: See you Diane

SedatA: see you Diane

DianeSG left the room (signed off).

SedatA: excuse me for being late

SedatA: I felt asleep

LeanneMM: BJ, did Lynne's class have a similar experience at their chat?

BJB2: you're fine, Sedat. Jan isn't here and neither is Lynne.

SedatA: ok

BJB2: Leanne, Lynne had given her group pretty explicit instructions

LeanneMM: OMG Sedat, it's 4:25 in the morning there! This is wonderful to see you here at this hour!

BJB2: but they were still new to the interface

BJB2: and had to have everything explained to them...

BJB2: also, Lynne was in the same physical space as the students

BJB2: whereas Sedat was not

SedatA: did they have a synchronous chat?

SedatA: I especially try to do that

BJB2: yes, but only among themselves. They discussed some of the questions

SedatA: I don't want to be in the same place

BJB2 nods...that was a great idea, Sedat.

SedatA: because it looks artificial

SedatA: for me

SedatA: you are all in the same room

SedatA: but you are talking through the net

LeanneMM agrees, it is a bit contrived

SedatA: in our discussion

SedatA: I didn't know where they were

BJB2: had you demonstrated Tapped In to your group before the discussion?

SedatA: what they were doing

SedatA: I can upload the presentation

SedatA: I made a presentation about Tapped In

BJB2: I think that your intro and Lynne's intro were done differently also

SedatA: it was only an hour long

SedatA: my students came together in a conference hall

SedatA: and I demonstrated how they will sign up

SedatA: how they use the interface

SedatA: but it was really on the surface level

SedatA: during the chat

SedatA: some of my students found me on the net through MSN

SedatA: or Yahoo Messenger

BJB2 nods

SedatA: and I explained where we were

SedatA: and what they had to do

SedatA: and only two or three of my students couldn't come

LeanneMM: Excellent, Sedat!

BJB2: what were your students reactions after the experience, Sedat?

SedatA: also our head of the department wasn't able to do that

SedatA smiles

SedatA: they liked it

SedatA: and they asked me

SedatA: if the situation is always the same

SedatA: whether here is always so crowded

SedatA: as you know

SedatA: it was really crowded

SedatA: 56 people at the same time

BJB2 nods

LeanneMM: wow!

SedatA: it was a real chaos

SedatA: but in general

SedatA: but as I said they liked it

SedatA: they suggested to have class here

SedatA smiles

SedatA: and I said

SedatA: why not

SusanR joined the room.

LeanneMM: Hi Susan

BJB2: so you will plan on having a class meet in Tapped In?

SedatA: also two of our instructors were there

BJB2 waves to Sue

SedatA: in fact I will do that

SedatA: I will try to do that

SusanR: Hi Sedat and Leanne, Jeff and Bj

SedatA: hi Susan

JeffC: hi susan

SedatA: I would like to use Tapped In for our meetings as well

SedatA: not only for the classes

SusanR listens

BJB2: is there anything we can do to help you, Sedat?

SedatA: no for the time being

SusanR: Have you used TI with your students since attending the MINI Expo?

SedatA: I sometimes come across with them

BJB2: learning to use text chat effectively when you have a large group takes some practice

SedatA: I didn't plan a meeting here

SedatA: but sometimes I see them

BJB2: so they are logging in independently?

SedatA: by the way,

SedatA: the most crucial point in the discussion was the certificates

BJB2 listens carefully

SedatA: they all wanted to get an international certificate

BJB2 smiles. Very cool, Sedat.

SedatA: it was a really important reinforcement

BJB2: did you have to print out all the certificates?

SedatA: no, but I will by Monday

SedatA: it will cost a little expensive

SedatA: but no problem

SedatA: I will manage it

SedatA: Bj, can I have some changes on the certificates?

SedatA: I don't know I need it, but if I need

BJB2: you can change anything you want to, Sedat

SedatA: may I write your name and my name on the certificates

SedatA: as the two leaders of the meeting

SedatA smiles

BJB2: sure, that's fine

SedatA: ok, then... I will have them printed then out by Monday and deliver

BJB2: that's wonderful, Sedat. I'm excited that the mini expo was a beginning to something rather than a closed event that started and ended

SedatA: yeah that's right

BJB2: I think one way to keep your students engaged would be to put up different questions for them to respond to either asynch or real time chat

SedatA: yes

SedatA: I will try to do that

LeanneMM suggests Sedat use some of the questions we had posted on the Pre-service teacher's discussion board

SedatA: in fact, that night we couldn't talk on anything

BJB2 agrees...we haven't gotten much response to any of the questions.

SedatA: because of the crowd

BJB2 nods to Sedat

SedatA: even to the definition of technology

SedatA: even we couldn't define it

SusanR: Use one of the questions for each of your upcoming sessions, Sedat

SedatA: yes

SedatA: there were too many questions

SedatA: and it was impossible to talk on them

BJB2: yes

SedatA: in an hour

BJB2: that's why I mentioned earlier that learning to have a text chat is important to a successful real time discussion

BJB2: and that doesn't happen the first time you log in

BJB2 . o O (or sometimes the second or third time)

SedatA: I see

BJB2: Your group was familiar with YM and IM and that helped a lot

SedatA: yes

SedatA: we often use chat in our country

SedatA: with our students

SedatA: they were familiar with text based chat

BJB2 nods. That really helped

SedatA: isn't that the same for any other country?

SedatA: here nearly all of my students use MSN or Yahoo Messenger

SedatA: it becomes a necessity for them

BJB2: I think that schools don't allow their students to use MSN or Yahoo Messenger

BJB2 . o O (although the kids use them at home)

SedatA: our students also use it at their home not at school

BJB2: Thank you so much for being such an active participant in our first mini expo,
Sedat....I think we can truthfully say that this is something that is to be continued

LeanneMM seconds the motion

SedatA: it should

BJB2: I'll work on the transcripts of Sedat's and Lynne's discussions and this discussion
and either post them here or on the archived transcript page at
www.tappedin.org/transcripts

SedatA: ok

LeanneMM: Thanks, BJ, please let us know

BJB2: Thanks, Leanne. We really appreciate your unflagging participation

BJB2: and support

LeanneMM: Thanks BJ...I'm trying!

BJB2 hopes Sedat can get some sleep today.

BJB2 waves goodnight

SedatA smiles

SedatA: ok

LeanneMM: Bye all

SedatA: see you then

BJB2: hi and bye, Sue

SedatA: bye for the time being

SusanR: Good luck with your upcoming tapped in sessions

SedatA: thanks

SedatA: bye all

SedatA waves to all