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#### **ABSTRACT**

# AN EXAMINATION OF COORDINATION AMONG FRIENDS AND STRANGERS FROM A COORDINATION THEORY PERSPECTIVE

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Within mobile social coordination, there is a field of study known as outeraction, the communicative processes used by people to manage future interactions. It is an important area of research because it identifies how informal interactions support complex collaboration between individuals and groups. Outeraction is primarily conducted through the interpersonal communication channels of texting, instant messaging (IM), face-to-face, and mobile phone or Skype conversations. Currently this area of research in mobile outeraction support systems is weak. It lacks a firm foundation in system building, has very few if any conceptual frameworks, and little empirical knowledge of user requirements and attitudes is known. As smartphones are becoming more common these days allowing people to conduct their outeraction on the go, the need for mobile outeraction support systems will also be on the rise.

This thesis seeks to investigate how people use technology to help them coordinate social activities with friends as well as activities with strangers. From semi-structured interviews it was found that individuals use a primary and secondary means of communication when coordinating with friends. These means of communication will also shift as the agreed upon time of the activity approaches. Other findings describe how group decisions can frequently change, how individuals immerse themselves in activities with strangers, and how individuals decide on a place to do an activity. These and other findings are further described in this thesis.

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#### **CHAPTER 1**

#### INTRODUCTION

Outeraction is the communicative processes used by people to manage future interactions [1]. These processes involve negotiating availability, sustaining social connections, switching media, and retaining context in a series of informal conversations that eventually lead to coordinated activities and events. Currently, it is primarily conducted through interpersonal communication channels such as texting, instant messaging, face-to-face, and mobile phone or Skype conversations. These technologies are lightweight or simple to use in maintaining informal conversations between individuals without the technology feeling like a burden to use. Outeraction can be described as having a lightweight nature in the sense that within the communicative processes, relaxed grammar and spelling is acceptable, symbols such as smiley faces and acronyms like 'lol' for 'laugh out loud' are used frequently, and figures of speech and quirky metaphors are used often to convey context. It is an important area of research because it identifies how informal interactions support complex collaboration between individuals and groups.

As smartphones are becoming more common these days allowing people to conduct their outeraction on the go, the need for mobile outeraction support systems will also be on the rise. Currently this area of research in mobile outeraction support systems is weak. It lacks a firm foundation in system building, has very few if any conceptual frameworks, and little empirical knowledge of user requirements and attitudes is known. Even after 20 years of CSCW (Computer Supported Cooperative Work) research into

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coordination processes, no mobile outeraction-support system currently exists to serve as

a model in how outeraction support systems should be systematically developed.

This thesis seeks to investigate how people use technology to help them

coordinate their social processes through semi-structured interviews that will probe how

individuals actually coordinate with their friends to do social activities together, as well

as how they coordinate to do activities with strangers. The goal of this thesis is to reveal

some of the attitude users have about the adequacy of their current technology and

possibly the desire for better mobile outeraction support systems. This thesis is

constructed in the following manner:

Chapter 1: identifying the research area, the gap in the area, and the purpose of this thesis

Chapter 2: introducing several theories to guide the investigation

Chapter 3: identify existing outeraction support systems

Chapter 4: present the research questions

Chapter 5: present the methodology for the investigation

Chapter 6: present the results

Chapter 7: interpret the data

Chapter 8: recommendations for designing mobile outeraction systems

Chapter 9: limitations

Chapter 10: discussion

#### **CHAPTER 2**

#### THEORIES OF COORDINATION

This chapter presents two theories of social coordination: Coordination Theory Perspective, and Language/Action Perspective. These theories are introduced in order to better understand the world of activity coordination.

#### **2.1 Coordination Theory Perspective**

Coordination theory in general is a framework of ideas on how coordination within a particular discipline can be carried out. According to Malone and Crowston, "coordination can be seen as the process of managing dependencies among activities."

[2] where dependencies and activities are defined within the discipline the theory is being applied. In addition, coordination theory is "a body of principles about how activities can be coordinated, that is, how actors can work together harmoniously" [3].

The multidisciplinary nature of coordination theory allows it to be used as a means to develop a framework for a particular discipline. Developing the framework of a coordination theory within a specific discipline requires several preliminary steps. The first step is to define coordination as it applies to the subject being investigated as well as any other associated terms.

The next step in developing a coordination theory is to identify the actors, activities, and resources that need to be coordinated. An actor can be either a person or a thing that carries out one or more activities. Activities are actions performed by actors and are purposefully done to accomplish a goal whether it be for a greater goal or an

immediate goal. Resources are entities that can be tangible or intangible that can be used by the actors to complete their activities, or can be produced by activities done by the actors. In most cases resources are limited and must be shared among the actors.

The third step is identifying the interdependencies of the relationships between activities, and the goals that the activities are intended to accomplish. Malone and Crowston identify at least three kinds of interdependencies: (a) pooled, where activities are independent but share or produce common resources, (b) sequential, where some activities cannot begin until other activities are completed, and (c) reciprocal, where every activity requires input from another activity.

Finally, the framework is used to answer questions of coordination within the discipline it was designed for in order to develop new concepts and theories of how the components of that discipline work together to accomplish a goal or set of goals. The framework can serve as a type of lens placed over the current workings within the discipline and spot issues or potential problems that hinder the current state of coordination from reaching its utmost potential.

In summary, coordination theory is an interdisciplinary approach to the study of coordination. Developing the framework requires defining coordination as it relates to the discipline being investigated, followed by identifying the components of coordination. The theory is flexible enough to include other attributes to the framework such as coordination processes that can represent a group of actions or already established coordinated activities that explain how coordination works in the selected discipline. The theory is a free-forming set of ideas that adapts to the nature of the research being conducted. The next section identifies the language/action perspective.

#### 2.2 Language/Action Perspective

Language/Action perspective is coordination through the process of conversation shifting [4]. A conversation for action occurs when one party makes a request to another and can be conceptualized as a set of various states: request, promise, counter-offer, accept, decline, cancel, etc. This perspective allows for the conceptualization of the activity coordination process as a conversation for action. The initial query is a request, the coordination and negotiation process are a series of counter-offers by the actors, the statement about attending is a promise, and being unable to attend acts as a state of cancellation. Framing the coordination and negotiation process as a conversation for action helps to identify the various states and activities that require investigation and support.

This chapter presented two theory perspectives to help better understand how activity coordination is carried out. Chapter 3 identifies existing outeraction support systems and evaluates their effectiveness in supporting outeraction.

#### **CHAPTER 3**

#### IDENTIFY EXISTING OUTERACTION SUPPORT SYSTEMS

Current outeraction coordination systems fall under four categories of systems: mobile multi-channel communication systems, calendaring systems, event management systems, and agent-based meeting scheduling systems. This chapter describes each of these systems.

#### 3.1 Mobile Multi-Channel Communication Systems

In this thesis mobile multi-channel communication systems refer to software tools that support texting, email, instant messaging, and phone calling. All of these systems are available on mobile phones. Group text messaging provides a powerful tool for social coordination, supports social awareness between individuals, easily integrates into people's social lives, enables "fishing' and "scouting" for company with people, and supports light-weight group formation [23]. The mobile phone also allows for users to switch across mediums such as texting to phone calling, which often happens among users [16, 14] especially when discussing plans for impromptu (within 2 days time) activity events [16].

Similarly instant messaging is used to coordinate impromptu social meetings and preserves context as closely as face-to-face communication is able to do [1]. Email is also used for planning and coordinating leisurely activities among friends [11] and is also used by web-based services to send updates and notifications to activity event participants [16]. It is for these reasons that this communication system is used most

often for outeraction. However, the advancement of technology requires improving upon current technology to make it better and more useful to users. These tools are very simple in their usage and were not originally designed for outeraction but were adopted by people to carry out their outeraction needs.

More advance software tools that could fit under this category of systems also are social networking sites such as Facebook<sup>TM</sup>, MySpace<sup>TM</sup>, Meetup.com<sup>TM</sup>, and Friendser<sup>TM</sup>, which can be accessed from a web browser on a computer or smartphone. These tools allow individuals to construct a public or semi-public profile within a bounded system, articulate a list of other users they share a connection with, and view and traverse their list of connections and those made by others within the system [25]. These tools use email and IM within the system to allow users to communicate with each other, which can be used for supporting outeraction. These tools however were not designed directly for outeraction support. Instead the primary focus, for tools like Facebook, is to allow users to keep in touch with distant friends and people they lost contact with overtime [26]. Also these tools are individual-centric; catering primarily to the individual need to manage personal contacts, keep in touch with their contacts, and share updates or media like photos and videos with their contacts. Meetup.com is groupcentric but only one or a few people in the group plan the activities and finalize the activity details rather than collaborate with the rest of the group as a whole.

Another group of advance software tools are social mobile applications like Foursquare, Loopt<sup>TM</sup>, Brightkite<sup>TM</sup>, Google Latitude<sup>TM</sup>, and even social networking sites like Facebook<sup>TM</sup> and MySpace<sup>TM</sup> that have a mobile application component. These tools utilize mobile social software or location-based mobile social networks [27], and

geosocial networking [28] to support social interaction among interconnected mobile users [29]. Similar to social networking sites, these tools were not directly designed to support outeraction. They are primarily used for offering geographic services and capabilities to match users with a place, event, or local group in order to socialize or enable group activities. As such they can lead to outeraction occurring between individuals, but just like the simpler tools of texting, phone calling, email, and IM, it is left up to users to utilize them as outeraction support tools. The next section describes calendaring systems and their advantages and disadvantages to outeraction.

#### 3.2 Calendaring Systems

Calendaring systems also known as GCS (Group Calendaring Systems) serve as an explicit representation of people's schedules so that groups can decide on a day and time to do an activity in which most people are free [5]. These systems are often used at work in applications like Lotus Notes [2], Google Calendar [6], or Microsoft Outlook [25] to help professionals manage their meetings, socials, and other activities. A major benefit of GCS is a shared view of each person's availability within a group planning an activity. This shared view can help users to determine a date and time that benefits each individual in order to optimize participation in a planned activity.

GCS is able to benefit certain groups like family members [7], but it is considered not to be very useful as groupware [8]. In addition GCS do not provide systematic mobile outeraction support for several reasons. The first is that they depend on groups of users to update their personal information, which is either not easily available or willingly provided [9, 5, 10]. Secondly there tends to be one or a few people in the group as a

whole who take on the responsibility of managing the calendaring information. This tedious responsibility dissuades further use of the system in a broader social context.

Another issue is privacy, which can arise when the system is used for social coordination outside of the work environment [5, 11]. Finally social groups composed of individuals residing in diverse locations do not need constant tightly coupled coordination systems since their separation from each other may cause their attention to focus on other immediate activities going on around them rather than being fully engaged in a remote conversation with the remote group. As a result, they do not desire or need a shared view of highly personal calendaring information since this would take away from the lightweight nature of outeraction. All these reasons make GCS not a socially acceptable solution for outeraction. The next section describes event management systems and their advantages and disadvantages to outeraction.

#### 3.3 Event Management Systems

Event management systems allow an individual to organize an event providing detailed information (date, time, location, description) on an activity and send out an electronic invitation to others. Common online technologies that support this are MySpace, Facebook, Meetup.com, and evite.com. The advantage that these technologies offer is centralizing the information individuals would need to know about the activity. In addition the electronic invite can be sent to friends of friends increasing the participation. Friends talking to friends face-to-face can even share details of the social activity event and refer to the electronic event as a point of reference for further information.

Event management systems, like GCS, also fail to support outeraction because it disrupts the fluid, lightweight nature of routine everyday social coordination that people engage in that lead to coordinating a social activity event. Typically much of the decision making for a date, time, and location are predetermined by an individual, which inhibits participants' ability to change coordinator roles [12]. When details need to be changed the person who created the event is usually the only one with the authority to change the information.

With only one person being able to change the event details, the trickle of new information must be shared among the participants who may not be aware of it unless they frequently check the event details, or they receive some kind of alert of any changes. In the extreme case, participants with the new information will contact other participants who they personally know in order to update them on the information. Such a process defeats the purpose of using an event management system because it does not allow participants to gauge the group perspective in real time. Instead participants must revert to their simpler means of communication through phone calling, texting, emailing, and IM to coordinate with others about the activity event. The next section describes agent-based meeting scheduling systems and their advantages and disadvantages to outeraction.

## **3.4** Agent-Based Meeting Scheduling Systems

Agent-based meeting scheduling systems use people's habits and preferences as a way to schedule the most opportune time for a group of people to meet together. They are able to schedule events and decide upon a time, place, day, and other details thus relieving the users from spending an immense amount of time on each person's availability. These

agents are often used in GCS for finding the most opportune time for a group to meet together.

The downside of agent-based meeting scheduling systems is the specialization in scheduling, which only handles one aspect of social coordination that cannot be managed independently of the other aspects of social coordination[13, 14]. Scheduling is a social task with much social implication that involves more than just optimum timing [14]. In addition, agents also bring up several social issues. One of them being that users strategize booking their calendar for personal time in order to control the meeting times that the agent will select [15]. Another instance is when users must cut into their own personal time out of obligation to meet with someone so as not be impolite. These issues, along with people being wary of agent-based systems handling their social coordination tasks [5] and practically excluding the need for people to communicate directly, cause these systems to be inadequate in supporting outeraction.

In this chapter, the shortcomings of current social coordination systems to support outeraction have been investigated. The issues that these systems have in supporting outeraction demonstrates the need to better understand how simpler technologies are used by individuals in their social coordination processes that lead to them being involved in activity events with others. In the next chapter, research questions are presented to lead further into investigating how people generally perform their outeraction with their friends using the current mobile technologies that they frequently use.

#### **CHAPTER 4**

#### **RESEARCH QUESTIONS**

In this chapter the research questions are presented. Chapter 1 introduced outeraction and expressed the need for better mobile outeraction support systems. The literature has revealed that texting, IM, face-to-face, and mobile phone calling are used for carrying out outeraction, but it is not known when and how these tools are used throughout the coordination processes leading up to the activity planned. Chapter 2 presented two theories to conceptualize how activity coordination occurs. They help in providing something of a theoretical roadmap to how an activity is coordinated, but it alone does not explain how and when the technology is used throughout the coordination process.

Chapter 3 then presented existing outeraction support systems and their shortcomings to supporting outeraction effectively. Mobile multi-channel communication systems are adopted for outeraction use but are mostly individual-centric. Calendaring systems are tightly coupled requiring individuals to share personal information and are very tedious to individuals having to update their shared information with the group. Finally event management systems only allow an individual to decide or even dictate the date, time, location, and activity minimizing group collaboration.

If it is known what technology is used for outeraction but not how it is being used throughout the coordination process, the following question arises:

1) What technologies do people use throughout their coordination processes and how do they use them?

Asking about the technology that is used helps in confirming that the expected technology used for outeraction is still used, and to determine if other new technologies are being used. After determining what technology is used, the next step is finding out how they use them from the moment of the activity idea to the actual occurrence of the activity. Also, it would be useful to know what challenges were encountered along the coordination process. To gather this information, the following question is posed:

2) What challenges do people face in their coordination processes even with the technology that they use?

These first two research question will gather a lot of information on a broad scale. Next it will be necessary to go deeper into the information and find out the following:

3) In what part of the activity coordination process does the technology that is being used become inadequate?

Probing further into the direct challenges individuals face will reveal a niche that outeraction support systems should address. This niche will then be further addressed by the following question that will lead to a discussion on recommendations to application developers seeking to develop effective outeraction support systems:

4) How can current technology better assist users in their coordination activities?

Furthermore, another component to activity coordination is exploring how people are able to coordinate activities with strangers. Within the context of this thesis, a stranger will represent a person that an individual has never seen nor met before, or a person the individual has observed at least once before but has never interacted with that

person. The latter definition comes from the concept of familiar strangers [30] but for simplicity it is joined with a general understanding of what a stranger refers to in this thesis. With this in mind, there are several questions that can be generated to explore how technology is used in this coordination process. The questions that arise are,

- 5) How do people immerse themselves into activities with strangers?
- 6) How do people seek out a place for a desired activity?
- 7) What technologies do people use to find a place for a desired activity?

Determining these things about coordination among strangers is important because people have a desire to know about other people in a place [31], and they desire to participate in activities with people who share the same interest in those activities as they do [17]. Knowing this information could provide further recommendations to application developers on how to build better outeraction support systems because there are times when an individual's friends will not be available to join them in an activity. In such circumstances, the following question is posed:

8) What do people do when they cannot get their friends to join them in an activity that they want to do?

This chapter presented the research questions that this thesis aims to answer. The next chapter will describe the methodology in gathering data that will be interpreted to answer these questions to further explain how people use technology to coordinate activity events with friends and strangers.

#### **CHAPTER 5**

#### **METHOD**

This chapter presents the methodology used for conducting this investigation. This thesis serves as a qualitative study following closely to the principles for interpretive field research in Information Systems[13]. In this chapter, the principles of hermeneutic circle, context, dialogical reasoning, and interaction between researcher and subjects are addressed.

#### **5.1** The Hermeneutic Circle

The principle of the hermeneutic circle involves understanding a complex entity and dividing it into smaller interdependent parts. This thesis identifies the complex entity to be the coordination of social activities through outeraction. This can be broken into three interdependent parts: coordination, social activity, and outeraction. Coordination is interdependent upon outeraction because concrete plans are created through a series of conversations. A social activity is interdependent upon coordination between individuals to decide on an agreed upon day, time, and place to meet and perform the activity. For example, a social activity could be a pickup game of soccer. It has yet to be defined because there has not yet been a determination of actors, and a place, date, and time to carry out the activity. The meaning of the social activity is therefore interdependent upon coordination, which is interdependent on outeraction. With the hermeneutic circle identified and applied in this fashion to the coordination of social activities through outeraction, the next step forward is addressing the context.

#### **5.2 Principle of Context**

The principle of contextualization is a reflection of the social and historical background of the research setting leading up to the current investigation. This principle is used in revealing how the current situation under investigation emerged. The current situation is that there is a lack of understanding how people use technology to coordinate social activities with friends and strangers. The investigation is to understand how they use technology to coordinate social activities with friends and strangers.

This all began with the concept of outeraction that was studied among co-workers in the workplace who used instant messaging as their main channel of communication [1]. Instant messaging was used frequently between co-workers for quick responses to questions and clarification on work items, which lead to better work productivity. It was used also for immediacy in coordinating and scheduling meetings over email that may take minutes or hours before a response is sent. It was also revealed that in certain situations co-workers would perform "media switching" or change from one medium like instant messaging to phone calling to discuss a work-related issue. Other times co-workers would switch from instant messaging to going over to a co-worker to explain or sketch something that was being discussed.

Each worker had their own reason for media switching or using instant messenger over email, phone, or face-to-face interaction for certain work situations. From this study, much was revealed about the usefulness of instant messaging to improve coordination and productivity in the work place. Unfortunately, this study provided no direct recommendations or solid framework to explain how and when they would use instant messenger, email, phone calling, or face-to-face interaction in their coordination

processes.

Soon outeraction carried over into people's social coordination of social activities with the use of texting on their mobile phones [14,15,11]. As smartphones became more prevalent and offered more computing power, mobile applications like Foursquare, Loopt, StreetMavens, and E-ventr would allow users to see where their friends are, what they're doing, and view recommendations on places to go to do activities. Soon researchers began looking into people's willingness to engage in ad-hoc interactions with friends, family, colleagues, and even strangers [17]. Investigations were conducted on people's willingness to disclose information to channel communication that can lead to relationships [18], and circumstances in which people would want to know about other people in a place [19]. Games were even developed to investigate utilizing activity events that immerse friends and strangers to participate in an activity [20,21,22].

Even with all this technology developed to assist people in coordinating their social activities, there still persisted the failure for them to properly support outeraction. This is evident from literature that states that texting, phone calling, emails, and instant messaging still remain as the dominant means of technology used for establishing communication channels for outeraction [14,15,11,23,1, 24,16]. Chapter 3 reviewed existing outeraction support systems, which still contain shortcomings to supporting outeraction. Thus this thesis looks to investigate people's use of texting, phone calling, emails, and instant messaging for outeraction so as to lessen the gap between these tools and more advance applications (social networking sites, mobile applications) so that better mobile outeraction support systems can be developed. With the context set on outeraction and the investigation being to find out how people perform outeraction with

the use of technology, the next section presents the dialogical reasoning for this investigation.

#### 5.3 Principle of Dialogical Reasoning

The principle of dialogical reasoning involves confronting preconceptions that guide the original research design with data that merges from the research process. The following preconceptions focus on when friends are getting together for a coordinated activity:

- 1) When meeting up among friends the main person of contact for information on the activity event, including who has arrived, is running late, or cannot attend, is the organizer(s).
- 2) When there is a change in location or time among friends meeting up, the organizer(s) will contact or delegate other friends to contact members in the group of the change in location or time.
- 3) Organizer(s) who cannot be present at an activity event or who are running late will attempt to transfer responsibility of the organizer to another friend in the group who is present or who will arrive ahead of time.

An organizer is the individual in the participating group who is the most knowledgeable person on the activity details (e.g. place, date, time) and takes on the responsibility of overseeing that the activity occurs. Activity event will refer to an activity that has been scheduled by a group of individuals with a day, time, and place decided upon, or that is being decided upon.

The following preconception focuses on why individuals will interact with strangers to join in an activity:

4) A group that needs one or more additional people to perform an activity will invite strangers who appear to have an interest in the activity to join them if they are all within the same activity location.

The following preconceptions focus on what individuals will do when making plans for an activity and how they will react if they are unable to find friends who will participate:

- 5) People looking for an activity location will want their friends to join them in the activity.
- 6) People choosing a place to do an activity will do so only when their friends are involved.
- 7) People with knowledge of an activity location for their favorite activity will perform the activity in that place with or without their friends.

These preconceptions are used in the semi-structured interview guide in Appendix 1 to help generate questions to ask subjects to determine if these preconceptions are right or wrong.

These preconceptions were generated impromptu meaning they do not directly come from any literature. Only from what the author of this thesis considered as vital aspects to an activity event occurring with some feedback of their validity from his other colleagues. The purpose of using these preconceptions is to indirectly gather the data that is necessary to find answers to the research questions in Chapter 4 by establishing a starting point for dialogue with the subjects. The next section describes the interaction between the researcher and the subjects.

#### 5.4 Interaction Between the Researcher and the Subject

Establishing the hermeneutic circle, context, and dialogical reasoning has finally lead to the semi-structured interview guide and artifact in appendix A. The hermeneutic circle was established first to set a foundation of what the interviews would need to investigate. The context followed to identify the problem that the interviews would attempt to address, which is determining what technology people use throughout their coordination processes so that recommendations could be offered to make outeraction support systems more effective. The dialogical reasoning was inspired by the hermeneutic circle and context by considering preconceptions that would lead to asking questions to determine if the preconceptions are correct or incorrect. By creating preconceptions of what happens when an activity event occurs, the interview guide can be constructed to ask questions as to how that activity event was coordinated leading up to its occurrence. Now with all the interview tools in placed, the researcher can now interact with the subjects to gather data.

The researcher interacted with the subjects through a semi-structured interview process. First subjects were recruited from the university campus center using the flier in Appendix C. A table was reserved to display the flier, talk with students and answer any questions they had about the study, and to sign up participants by having them write down their name, phone number and email on a sign-up sheet. This was carried out over the course of 1 to 2 weeks. Afterwards an email was sent out to each student who signed up to instruct them on how to select a time slot for an interview.

A website was created for allowing potential subjects to sign in with their student IDs for confirmation that they were students at the university, and to select the available timeslots for a particular day. The time slots were arranged in 1-hour sessions from the

late morning to early evening. Each subject was contacted a day before their scheduled interview to confirm that he or she would be able to come. The semi-structured interview consists of an artifact document (Appendix A.1a-c), a consent form (Appendix A.2), and an interview guide (Appendix A.3a-b).

When the interview started, the interviewer began by introducing himself to the subject describing the purpose of the interview (Appendix A.3a). Afterwards the interviewer asked if the subject still wanted to participate. If the subjected agreed to continue, he or she was given a consent form (Appendix A.2). Two copies were made available; one for the subject to keep and one for the interviewer to keep. Both forms had to be signed by the subject. After the consent form was signed the interviewer requested the permission of the subject to record the interview. If the subject approved, then the interviewer began recording. Otherwise the interviewer had to write down some of the subject's feedback during the interview.

Biographical questions were asked of the subject for demographic purposes (Appendix A.3b). Following the biographical questions the interviewer presented the subject with the artifact document (Appendix A.1a-c). The interviewer would wait for the subject to complete the artifact encouraging any questions if anything was unclear. After the artifact had been filled out by the subject it was given to the interviewer who then looked over the artifact carefully and chose various activities to ask the subject about using the conjecture questions to probe further on how the subject coordinated the activity with other people and the technology that he or she used.

After the interview was completed, the interviewer stopped recording, thanked the subject for his or her time, and gave him or her instructions on how to collect his or her

\$20 for participation. The subject was given a petty cash form to fill out and told to come on a particular day the next week to a specific office to pick up their money bringing the form with him or her.

This chapter has presented the method of the investigation using the principles of evaluating interpretive data in information systems. The next chapter presents the results from the semi-structured interviews.

#### **CHAPTER 6**

### **RESULTS**

In this chapter, the results are presented providing answers to the research questions. Twenty individuals were interviewed, and it was found that most subjects used face-to-face (physically looking at each other) conversation, texting, phone calling, and on occasion email in coordinating activities with friends and strangers. Facebook and other social networking websites were used primarily for chatting with friends, creating events intended to attract large groups of participants, posting or broadcasting information related to an activity to their friends, and establishing a message thread with one or more friends. Social mobile applications were not mentioned at all other than the use of twitter for some form of activity coordination and a GPS application to find nearby places to eat. Throughout this chapter the subjects are kept anonymous with random names differing from their real names.

### **6.1 Means of Communication**

This section provides results in answering the first research question on what technologies people use throughout their coordination process and how they use them. When friends coordinate activities together, there is a primary means of communication they use that serves as their first choice to communicating among each other in planning an agreed upon activity. In addition, there is also a secondary means of communication that friends use following the primary means of communication. The secondary means of communication is used often as a backup when the primary means of communication is

unable to establish a timely channel of communication between both parties. For example, a friend could use phone calling as a primary means of communication and texting as a secondary means if he or she has to leave a voice message and does not get a call back from the friend he or she is trying to reach.

In other circumstances the primary means of communication can be shifted based upon the proximity of time when the event is about to occur. For example, participants could use texting as a primary means of communication weeks in advance before the planned activity is scheduled to occur, but then phone calling will replace texting as the primary means of communication the day before or day of the event.

## **6.1.1 Various Forms of Primary Means of Communication**

The primary means of communication often preferred is face-to-face when friends are together. In the following, Angela recalls how she got tickets from her sister for a concert:

Angela: "actually it was face-to-face."

(Appendix B.1:238)

Cheyenne recalls how playing dominos with her boyfriend would occur:

Cheyenne: "he always wants to do it everytime you see him. So it's like if you look at him you know that's what he wants to do."

(Appendix B.3:508)

Thamar recalls how he planned a badminton match with friends:

Thamar: "We were already together, so face-to-face."

(Appendix B.8:52)

(see also Appendix B.2:84, Appendix B.6:80, Appendix B.11:400-401)

Phone calling can become a primary means of communication when friends are not face-to-face to communicate. It is often used the day before or day of the activity

event. In the following, Cheyenne recalls communicating with a friend about a nightclub activity:

Cheyenne: "she called me early in the morning before I left my house. Then when I was dressed and ready to go she was on campus so I called her to see when she wanted to meet up. Then we left from campus."

(Appendix B.3:498)

Lawrence recalls purchasing tickets for himself and a friend for a concert:

Lawrence: "yeah he usually contacts me like if I need to purchase the ticket or something like that...through phone that's it."

(Appendix B.2:206)

(see also Appendix B.2:459-468)

Tiberius recalls how he communicated with his friends about playing basketball the same day:

Tiberius: "He called me on the phone."

(Appendix B.6:48)

(see also Appendix B.6:101)

Darius recalls communicating with a friend to do biking:

Darius: "We would use more phone calling than chatting. For longer conversations we would use chatting [on instant messenger] but for short conversations to see if something has been done we would use the phone."

(Appendix 10:108)

There are exceptions however when phone calling is the primary means of communication used days in advance of the activity event date. It may also be the preference of choice by the person either because they find it the most effective way to communicate with the person they are calling, or the person they are calling uses phone calling as a primary means.

In the following, Thamar recalls a church leader coordinating various activities with the members of his congregation using different mediums of communication depending on the group:

Thamar: "Yes, for college students he will text and for older members he will call because they are not familiar with texting."

(Appendix B.8:154)

(see also Appendix B.8:193-207, Appendix B.8:221)

Texting is used as a primary means of communication for a variety of reasons. Like phone calling, it is sometimes used the day of the activity to coordinate activities. In the following, Samantha recalls how she contacted a friend about attending a cultural social:

Samantha: "I sent him a text the day before and the same day of the event."

(Appendix B.9:150)

Trevor recalls how he contacted a friend about going out to a nightclub:

Trevor: "I just text him one time to be ready and in no time I'll pick him up. And he was ready the same time I picked him up. And I text him to come outside so we went so there was no need for me to call him."

(Appendix B.13:369) (see also Appendix B.13:386-389)

Kevin recalls the means of communication about a trip him and his girlfriend were going to take to visit a mutual friend:

Kevin: "actually our friend texted us asking us if we were still coming the day before so she could have stuff ready for us."

(Appendix B.15:318)

Other times texting is used in situations where making a phone call or having a face-to-face conversation is not feasible such as sitting in a classroom. Other times it will be used as a secondary means of communication to follow up phone calling when the person being contacted does not answer and does not respond in a timely manner, or to

share further details about the activity. In the following, Alexia recalls how she used a secondary means of communication when the primary means seemed to have failed:

Alexia:" if I don't hear back from somebody that I call then I text them."

(Appendix B.4:80)

Calvin recalls getting together with a friend for a concert:

Calvin: "I think it was mostly phone calls... We used texting after the concert and shortly before trying to coordinate our location."

(Appendix B.5:419-423)

Samantha recalls how a friend contacted her with more details about a cultural social event:

Samantha: "I was contacted by phone first and then a text."

(Appendix B.9:126)

However there are times when phone calling will act as a secondary means of communication to texting such as situations that require an urgent response and the person being contacted does not text back in a timely manner. In the following, Cheyenne recalls how she would get information about a dancing activity with a friend:

Cheyenne: "ah, we texted initially and then I called her because it was faster...when she suggests an idea I immediately text, what time is it, where is the place, and how much is it? Those are my initial like always 3 questions that they get. And if they don't answer me within that one text then I call them to see what's the real answer."

(Appendix B.3:246-248)

Texting can also be utilized because it is the most available tool that everyone within the group can use to communicate. In the following, Angela recalls how the assistant coach on her team organized a mandatory community service activity with the team members:

Angela: "um, another of my assistant coach. She text everybody saying what we have to wear for the community service and what time we're going to meet."

(Appendix B.1:208)

Cheyenne recalls how a friend organized a movie outing among her and other friends:

Cheyenne: "yeah. She texted everyone. I would talk to them either face-to-face or online telling them we're going on such and such a day."

(Appendix B.3:407)

Tamara recalls how routine pickup football matches are organized by someone in the group:

Tamara: "Yes, we have a person who sends out a mass text."

(Appendix B.8:259)

Trevor recalls how he got together with a friend for a shopping activity:

Trevor: "he texted me."

(Appendix B.13:387)

Kevin recalls how him and a friend would discuss details about a concert they planned to attend through texting as opposed to phone calling:

Kevin: "yeah pretty much. Because we were both at work when we were doing that. I know we shouldn't do that but we were both at work so we kind of couldn't be on the phone."

(Appendix B.15:152)

Chatting online through an Instant Messenger application like AIM<sup>TM</sup> (AOL Instant Messenger) or within a social networking website account can be used as a primary means of communication typically when a person has access to a desktop computer and is often times online and knows that he or she can chat with friends frequently through online chat. In terms of coordination, one instance was found when online chatting was used for collaboration purposes leading into a future meeting.

In the following, Cheyenne recalls how her and a friend communicate about a cinematography collaboration:

Cheyenne: "I talked to her online using AIM...usually I say 'hey I have an idea for a film I want to do, a short film.' I tell her a sentence or two, and then she just asks me to come over. So she comes over and picks me up in 5 minutes.."

(Appendix B.3:316-318)

Social networking websites are used on occasion for providing event details and offering a means for people to invite themselves to it, and for communicating and informing others on an activity event. In the following, Angela recalls when she was asking a friend if she knew about the transportation details for their community service obligation:

Angela: "I asked my teammate on Facebook chat if they knew about the pickup and she told me that yes she knew and that she was going to go."

(Appendix B.1:136)

(see also Appendix B.1:346, Appendix B.1:406, Appendix B.1:460, Appendix B.1:556)

Lawrence recalls how a friend informed him about a movie he had seen and his opinion on it before the subject and his friends were going to see it:

Lawrence: "yes, it was more like a facebook status update stating Clash of the Titans but it could be made more beautiful, which prompted us to call him."

(Appendix B.2:434)

Calvin recalls how he would be invited to Greek parties or events by friends who are members of the organization:

Calvin: "Sometimes it is face-to-face and sometimes facebook. It varies, if it is a small party with very close people they know, they might invite us personally. If it is a big party, like a St. Patrick's Day event, they will send out a big invite for event."

(Appendix B.5:109-111)

(see also Appendix B.5:517)

## **6.1.2** Communication Shifts based upon an Activity Coordination Timeline and Circumstances

Communication shifts occur as the date of the activity event gets closer. During the activity planning phase, the primary means of communication is almost always face-to-face no matter the timespan between the activity inception or initial idea, and activity event occurrence. Face-to-face communication is then followed up by other means of communication like texting, phone calling, online chatting, SNS, and emailing as coordination support tools to further the inception into an activity event as a secondary means of communication to face-to-face communication.

When the activity has been planned for over a month in advance, SNS, texting, and face-to-face tends to be the primary means of communication followed by phone calling, and email. In the following, Angela recalls a nightclubbing activity organized by a teammate:

Angela: "maybe a month. She put all the information on the event [Facebook event] so basically it was all sent?"

(Appendix B.1:464)

(see also Appendix B.1:391-398, Appendix B.1:555)

Calvin recalls how him and a group organized a band concert:

Calvin: "This was planned months in advance... It was mostly face-to-face to talk about stuff and confirmation through e-mail... It was consistently one or two e-mails a week confirming what bands had been booked and where it was going to take place."

(Appendix B.5:259-263)

Thamar recalls how his mother and brother organized a trip to Florida to visit his aunt:

Thamar: "We planned a month in advance... She spoke to me [face-to-face] and called my brother in Boston... She called my aunt in Florida to make sure they would get a few days off from work. She called my brother to confirm our plans and she spoke to me face-to-face."

(Appendix B.8:309-315)

Darius recalls how he was informed about volunteering for a career fair activity a month in advance:

Darius: "I was contacted in person because I had participated last year...I contacted the person in charge through e-mail and they told me that I would be contacted by a certain date. I received e-mails about the meetings and how the activities would be divided among all the people involved."

(Appendix B.10:280-285)

Hanna recalls how she was informed about participating for a Greek sponsored community service activity two months in advance:

Hanna: "It was primarily e-mail and face-to-face."

(Appendix B.19:300) (see also Appendix B.19:416)

Elizabeth recalls how she communicated two months in advance with a friend to go racing:

Elizabeth: "Face-to-face... Just calling, texting, and e-mailing information about the place."

(Appendix B.20:115-117)

When the activity is within a week, face-to-face, texting, and phone calling tend to be the primary means of communication followed by email. In the following, Lawrence recalls how him and some of his friends get together and discuss plans for their weekly routine cricket match:

Lawrence: "coordination is basically that every Monday everyone is busy so we try on Tuesday or Wednesday we have a casual chat about what are you doing this weekend? Have casual chat over dinner or stuff. Then they say that um probably this Saturday I have some stuff and I'll be from 3pm to 6pm. So then we'll discuss are you free during that time or what we can do so basically its during that time we plan on the weekend what we're going to do. So it's more in the middle of the week or beginning of the week."

(Appendix B.2:296) (see also Appendix B.2:489-494)

Alexia recalls how her and a friend organized going to swim within a week:

Alexia: "um, phone. And email."

(Appendix B.4:887)

(see also Appendix B.4:401-403, Appendix B.4:742-750)

When the activity is approaching upon the same day or a day away, face-to-face and phone calling tends to be the primary means of communication followed by texting and/or online chatting. In the following, Angela recalls how her and her friends communicated about attending a concert the day before:

Angela: "um, the day before texting. And the day of the event of the concert it was calling just to make sure of where we were meeting and everything."

(Appendix B.1:268)

Darius recalls how him and his friends communicated before going biking:

Darius: "Mostly phone calling... Just to confirm everything. To make sure the car has been rented, we have the bikes, and people have been informed about these things and any last minute details."

(Appendix B.10:110-114)

Hanna recalls how she and a friend organized seeing a movie together the day before:

Hanna: "face-to-face and text message."

(Appendix B.19: 359-380)

When the activity is planned and carried out the same day, face-to-face and phone calling tend to be the primary means of communication as well. In the following, Alexia recalls how her friend invites her to join her at the gym to exercise the day she decides to go:

Alexia: "face to face."

(Appendix B.4:681)

Tiberius recalls how a friend contacted him about playing basketball:

Tiberius: "He called me the same day."

(Appendix B.6:50)

Thomas recalls how he arranged to see a movie with his friend:

Thomas: "it was my friend's idea. He called me up and asked are you willing to come to the movie. It was some Indian movie. And then I said yeah and then, so we went...on the same day itself."

(Appendix B.12:302-304)

(see also Appendix B.19:363-368, Appendix B.20:98-105)

Texting can be used as a secondary means in some occasions. Thamar recalls how him and a friend planned to play badminton together:

Thamar: "We were already together, so face-to-face... It was planned the same day. ... We sent a text to the other friend after we arrived."

(Appendix B.8:52-62)

## **6.2 Factors that Affect Group Participation**

In this section, a group of participants for a social activity are taken into consideration as being an entity with at least two people involved. This section presents findings of how a group can change in size and interest in an activity based upon several different factors. Even though this section does not mention any technology usage, it is presented since these events happen in coordination. One of these factors involves the sudden change in group size. A group can increase in participants as more information about the activity event is provided or when more people invite other people. In the following, Alexia recalls how sending an email with more information about a concert got her friends to become more interested in coming:

Alexia: "um. Going to a concert. Once it was just like ah. Um how do you say, like a band. Going to see a band. But just going on the website and reading more about and seeing who's there, who's actually playing and what um, the time and the location I guess. Half of them change their mind because they thought it would be a place that's difficult to get by like parking difficulties and all that stuff...And they changed their mind. Because they were able to go to someplace like a website or something, get information and see for themselves."

(Appendix B.4:589-594, see also Appendix B.4:892-901)

Groups can also decrease in size when an influential participant, or several influential participants, are no longer involved in the upcoming activity event. In the following, Cheyenne recalls how a student art club became divided into two separate art groups from an incompatibility between several individuals within the group:

Cheyenne: "certain personalities started to clash with the different groups [sub groups within the club], so after a certain point they decided they didn't want to deal with them anymore and they just left [ceased further participation together]."

(Appendix B.3:154)

Groups are also adaptive to doing other activity events when the primary activity is over, or when the group is either unable to do the desired activity, or uninterested in the desired activity and decide to pursue a different activity event. Angela recalls leaving a house party to see a movie with friends:

Angela: "um, it was actually my idea. Because we went to a house party or whatever, and it wasn't great so we just came back to the room to the dorm. And I proposed to watch a movie with all my suitemates and the people that were coming with us. So we just...[watch the movie]. in the dorm."

(Appendix B.1:388)

Lawrence recalls him and his friends changing plans after grocery shopping:

Lawrence: "actually we had to go out for shopping, for grocery stuff. So it actually quite late, it was around 8:45 evening. We thought if we come home and start cooking it will probably take like 10:50 or 11. So we just thought like it's been a long time since um, why not have a just casual food in the restaurant."

(Appendix B.2:212) (see also Appendix B.2:538-544)

Cheyenne recalls changing plans from eating in with her boyfriend to eating out with him and brining a friend along:

Cheyenne: "initially I was talking to him online and told him come over and bring food so we can eat. He came over with a bag of popcorn, a box of mac and cheese which I can't eat, and a tuna can sized thing of chicken breast from Costco...No I told him before in advance, two days before to show up like that with food. But his idea of food was to bring that so I told him we're going to a diner...I called one of my friends who lives across the street from me saying 'I'm going to a diner with this person, do you want to come?' So he came too."

(Appendix B.3:274-292)

Calvin recalls making sudden plans to see a movie with his girlfriend:

Calvin: "I spent some time with my girlfriend and other plans fell through. There was a movie we wanted to see so we went."

(Appendix B.5:225)

Tiberius recalls making plans with a friend to do another activity following badminton:

Tiberius: "When my friend called me about badminton he would mention going swimming also."

(Appendix B.6:144)

Yin recalls what him and his friends did after shopping at a mall:

Yin: "no we went to a mall and we just decide there to go see a movie."

(Appendix B.11:388)

## **6.3 Challenges in Coordination Processes**

This section addresses research questions 2 through 4. In regards to the question on what challenges do people face in their coordination processes even with the user of their technologies, it was surprising to find that a majority of the subjects were content with the capabilities of their devices and methodology of activity coordination. When asked on several occasions if they have any difficulty in their coordination process the common response was that there was no problem and no difficulty (Appendix B.1:140, Appendix

B.1: 226, Appendix B.3:429, Appendix B.3:598, Appendix B.4:387, Appendix B.4:724,
Appendix B.6:136, Appendix B.7:64, Appendix B.12:433, Appendix B.14: 372,
Appendix B.16:204, Appendix B.19:438, Appendix B.20:137).

Within the next two questions that asked, in what part of the activity coordination process does the technology that is being used become inadequate, and how can the current technology better assist users in their coordination activities, a few cases were found where subjects expressed a need for improvement in the technology were the following:

- 1) a way to leave one phone message that can be heard by multiple participants (Appendix B.4:105-126)
- 2) a way to convert voice into a text message and send it so your hands can be free to do other things (Appendix B.15:144-164)

## **6.4 Activity Immersion with Strangers**

This section addresses the research question of how people immerse themselves into activities with other strangers. People are open to doing activities with strangers when they expect to be surrounded by, or possibly interacting with, strangers in order to do the activity. In the following, Angela recalls going to her nearest gym to attend an aerobics class alone:

Angela: "I just got into the room. I saw a bunch of people but I didn't care because I was thinking that they were like me just random people who wanted to do aerobics and maybe they were by themselves so I took a spot over there and started doing the same thing the coach was doing".

(Appendix B.1:106)

Alexia recalls movie nights hosted by a school organization she is a part of and attends:

Alexia: "if there's a group. Um, like a social group. For example like um. Like in school like we have movie events or movie night. And usually like the people who are in the social group will invite outsiders who are not part of the group."

(Appendix B.4:689)

Thamar recalls how pickup games occur for football that he participates in:

Thamar: "There is a group of us always there and then we just pick up other people who may have just left the library or something. There would be strangers at these games."

(Appendix B.8:275)

Darius recalls what he does when playing the piano:

Darius: "No, I play at home. I will listen to music with friends when they come over for a visit. I would play music with strangers if I went to a bar or club."

(Appendix B.10:202)

Situations that often attract an openness of stranger participation is when an activity is already happening and the passerby knows someone personally within the participant group, the passerby is interested enough in the activity to approach the group and ask to participate, or the participant group reaches out to strangers to join in the activity. In the following, Angela recalls what pickup basketball games are like in the gym when her and hear teammates go to play outside of official basketball practice:

Angela: "not from my team but there is stranger people that they come and they just join the team and join the game... Because we play 5 on 5 and there's 5 of us against 5 strangers so we play a game and whoever wins stay and whoever loose goes away. If there are more people they come on to play."

(Appendix B.1:155-158)

Calvin recalls how a pickup soccer match between friends expanded into a larger match:

Calvin: "Yes, one of my roommates had a soccer ball and we just went to play....Yes, we started playing and others joined in with us... I think they asked to play with us."

(Appendix B.5:321-327)

(see also Appendix B.13:72, Appendix B.13:234)

Thomas recalls a stranger joining him and his friends for badminton:

Thomas: "ah yeah actually he was alone so he asked us can I play with you we said ok. We were playing 4 of us then two went away then only 2 of us were remaining and he was alone. So he said you play 2 of you on one side and I play."

(Appendix B.12:94)

## **6.5 Planning Activity Events with Friends**

This section addresses two of the research questions: how do people seek out a place for a desired activity; and what technologies people use to seek a place for a desired activity. In regards to the first question, when subjects were asked about their process on setting up an activity that they wanted to do with friends, they shared what resources they utilize in order to plan an activity event. Subjects would ask people they know personally for advice or recommendations on places to do the activity event they had in mind or how to go about doing the activity. In the following, Angela recalls how she discovered the gym close to her home:

Angela: "my mom was involved with that gym so since she was involved and she thought it was good, I decided to go there because I needed to go to the gym or I want to. And since my mom was happy with that gym, I decided to go in."

(Appendix B.1:90)

(see also Appendix B.1:166-180)

Cheyenne recalls how she discovered a knitting group on her campus:

Cheyenne: "actually I found recently like last week a group that does a knitting thing because when I was working at the information desk there was this girl who was just talking about her meeting and how people were learning how to sow and do such and such things. And that's when I asked her about what that group was about. So there's like an actually arts and crafts group on campus."

(Appendix B.3:68)

(see also Appendix B.3:350)

Thomas recalls how he would try to begin finding a place or person to learn how to be a music DJ:

Thomas: "I'll contact some of my friends because ah, they may be knowing some DJs. I'll extract from them if anyone knows about that."

(Appendix B.12:231)

Darius recalls how he would look for a place to do martial arts:

Darius: "I would talk to friends. I would keep an eye out for someone who is really good at his profession...I would avoid Google because I would prefer a personal meeting."

(Appendix B.10:192-194)

In other situations subjects would use the knowledge they knew about their activity of interest and go on explorations to places they would guess or assume would host the activity or at least have more information to help guide them and where to find a place for the activity event that they may want to plan or participate in. In the following, Angela recalls how she would go about finding a reading group:

Angela: "something like reading I would ask my Humanities professor, and if she wouldn't know I would ask in the campus center like someone, and if nobody know I'd just google it or I, Facebook asked to some of my friends if they know something about it."

(Appendix B.1:506)

Cheyenne recalls how she would find a place to do gymnastics or find out information:

Cheyenne: "I imagine gymnastics would be a much smaller field for me to find as oppose to an open yoga class so I'd probably go to a gym or something and ask if they know anything about it."

(Appendix B.3:520)

Darius recalls how he would try to begin teaching himself how to draw:

Darius: "I would go to the nearest library and get feedback from my friends for good places to buy books on this subject...I would search websites to find PDF books online. I would not use these sites to find out how to draw but categories that would entice me to draw."

(Appendix B.10:58)

Samuel recalls how he would find a place to learn ballroom dancing:

Samuel: "look for it in a newspaper or something...something that has a local classified...advertisement of a class starting soon. And hopefully, not necessary that they require partners."

(Appendix B.14:53-59)

In regards to the second research question on technology used to seek a desired activity, much of the time subjects would go online to a search engine like Google and look for venues that host the activity that they want to do. In the following, Angela recalls how she would look for community service opportunities:

Angela: "I would go on Internet and Google and just put in community service or whatever, and in this area and I would find them. I will either go by myself or I would first of all ask my friends if they would like to come with me, and in case that they wouldn't like to I would just go by myself."

(Appendix B.1:280) (see also Appendix B.1:303-310)

Calvin recalls how he would find a place to do horseback riding:

Calvin: "I am not sure. I would probably google "Where to go horseback riding."

(Appendix B.5:60)

(see also Appendix B.5:207)

Thomas recalls how he would find a jazz venue:

Thomas: "I'd google it...find ah what is a suitable timing, what is a suitable date for me."

(Appendix B.12:111)

Once subjects found the information they were seeking for their desired activity, they made their decision for venue based upon a set of factors. For some, the least expensive venue was the most desired one even if it were further away from other similar venues (Appendix B.11:240-274, Appendix B.12:354-372, Appendix B.14:509-539). For other subjects positive reviews and a good reputation where of the highest priority in choosing a venue (Appendix B.2:513-530, Appendix B.10:41-44, Appendix B.16:281-305).

## **6.6 Activity Events without Friends**

This section addresses the research question of what do people do when they cannot get their friends to join them in an activity that they want to do. Subjects would do the activity event anyway because they have a strong enough interest in the activity to do it even if friends would not come or they just preferred to do it alone (Appendix B.10:41-52, Appendix B.10:203-221, Appendix B.12:434-472). There is a threshold for when subjects would become disinterested in an activity if it required too much effort or was not convenient enough for them to do, or they could not get friends to come along. In the following, Angela recalls how she would decide upon going to a concert:

Angela: "I would go with my friends and then I can meet like strangers. Like whenever I put up like strangers I don't care and like for me like I can go with my friends to the concert and meet them there. There's like a bunch of people and I wouldn't care like to meet them. But I would just go to a concert with my friends I would never go by myself."

(Appendix B.1:282)

Calvin recalls whether or not he would do kickboxing without friends:

Calvin: "Probably not. You have to do all the training and it would not interest me that much to do it by myself. I would not put that much commitment into it."

(Appendix B.5:197)

(see also Appendix B.5:312-317)

Thomas recalls what he would do about finding a place or person to learn how to DJ if his friends were unable to provide information:

Thomas: "then I would just drop the idea I think so...I'm not that much interested in that actually."

(Appendix B.12:237-239)

Some activities subjects preferred to do alone either because they did not feel their friends would be interested in it, or they wanted to participate in the activity by themselves and if they enjoyed it then they would invite their friends to it (Appendix B.2:513-530, Appendix B.4:906-927, Appendix B.10:41-52).

This chapter presented the results from the semi-structured interviews and offered answers to the research questions posed in Chapter 4. The next chapter will continue the dialogical reasoning presented in Section 5.3 confronting the preconceptions with the data results.

#### **CHAPTER 7**

### **INTERPRETATION**

In this chapter the data results from chapter 6 are used to compare to the preconceptions that were presented in section 5.3. Beginning with the first preconception:

 When meeting up among friends the main person of contact for information on the activity event including who has arrived, is running late, or cannot attend is the organizer(s)

This is partially true. People will contact the person who invited them to the activity (Appendix B.1:391-424, Appendix B.2:113-204, Appendix B.5:408-431, Appendix B.4: 428-456, Appendix B.20:385-426). That person could be one of the organizers or a non-organizer. Sometimes people will contact the organizer directly if they know they are the main source of information and will receive that information first (Appendix B.4:191-224). Individuals who are organizers tend to be contacted by the people they invite for further information (Appendix B.3:392-430, Appendix B.20:247-258).

At other times the organizer(s) will contact the participants to share new information (Appendix B.14:309-329). If the organizers get together to plan out further activity details, they may send the new information out to participants as a mass email (Appendix B.3:181-188), or mass text (Appendix B.3:197-224). There are times when participants will refer to the information provided instead of contacting the organizer directly (Appendix B.4:790-815). At other times, the group will be so cohesive that information will trickle down to all the participants (Appendix 14:123-200).

With this information, outeraction systems should provide a way for participants to view the organizer hierarchy. For example, if Jeff is the main organizer he would

appear at the top of the hierarchy. Below him would be the people he invited and interacts with about participating in the activity. If those people invite others then they become sub-organizers under Jeff, and if their friends invite other people, then those friends become sub-organizers under Jeff's sub-organizers.

To preserve the flexibility of outeraction and avoid the pitfall posed by current event management systems with the lack of being able to change coordinator roles [12], outeraction systems should allow the switching of roles to be seamless. For example, Jeff can start off as the organizer but then circumstances could cause him to no longer be able to carry on the responsibly. Alternatively, he talks with Tom about taking on the responsibility. Tom agrees and they perform a role switch moving Tom and his invitees up and Jeff down as an invitee of Tom. Since most people perform outeraction with friends and contacts they personally know, outeraction systems should also preserve this by giving organizers and sub-organizers the option to be visible only to those contacts they personally know (in their existing contact list and immediate invitee), or to only their immediate invitees.

The second preconception is as follows:

2) When there is a change in location or time among friends meeting up, the organizer(s) will contact or delegate other friends or contact members in the group of the change in location or time.

Organizers and other participants who invited people feel a responsibility to contact their invitees on changes made to the activity event (Appendix B.3:392-429, Appendix B.4:688-724, Appendix B.14:309-337). In such situations outeraction systems should allow organizers and sub-organizers to be to easily pass the new information to their

invitees. This is where texting and tweeting (as is done with Tweeter) can come into play where a message can be sent out or posted by the organizer so that his/her invitees are informed. For organizers higher in the organizer hierarchy who need to send out information to their sub-organizer(s), the posted message should have an option for the sub-organizer(s) to forward it along to their invitees.

This method is suggested in order to preserve the nature of outeraction where such information has the freedom of being open for debate and discussion before being sent out to all participants. For example, Jeff could decide to change the location and sends out to his sub-organizers and immediate invitees. One or several of the sub-organizers or invitees may give him feedback about that location not being a great place to go, or they may have a better place in mind. As such, Jeff and the rest of the participating group can then engage in a group discussion to make a final decisions and once there is a consensus the sub-organizers can either create their own posted message to send to their invitees, or Jeff can recreate a new posted message and the sub-organizers can forward it to their invitees.

In situations where invitees further down in the participant tree need to give input, they can outeract with their sub-organizer who can perform some of the same duties as the organizer but only within his/her subgroup of invitees and sub-organizers. With this approach all participants are able to be involved in the outeraction of the activity being planned whether it be with the organizer and his/her immediate sub-organizers and invitees, or within the subgroup the participant is a part of. The choice of outeracting publicly within the group or privately one-on-one with someone else in the group should be made available to the participants of an action system.

Not enough relevant data was gathered to confront the third preconception so it will be skipped. The fourth preconception is as follows:

4) A group that needs one or more additional people to perform an activity will invite strangers who appear to have an interest in the activity to join them if they are all within the same activity location.

Surprisingly, the opposite happens. Strangers will approach a group participating in an activity of interest and ask to participate as well (Appendix B.4:862-873, Appendix B.5:318-327, Appendix B.13:45-74). But on occasions the group will invite a stranger to participate (Appendix B.18:96-109). In such situations an organizer, sub-organizer, or invite should be able to send out a type of alert message with an explicit request for additional participants. Such an alert should contain the option to set a participant cap in such situations where a limited number of additional participants are needed.

For example, Amy and her friends are outdoor preparing to play a game of ultimate Frisbee. However they require 5 more people to play. So Amy creates a participation alert with a participant cap of 5. This is broadcasted out to people within a pre-determined proximity who have access to receiving alerts. People who respond to the alert can communicate with Amy via texting to get more information or ask questions, but until individuals actually select to commit to the alert, the cap stays at 5. As people commit, the counter decreases until it gets to 0. Afterwards, individuals can add themselves to the alert waiting list in case individuals who committed suddenly must uncommit. The outeraction of this example occurs with Amy acting as a liaison to her group of friends reaching out and communicating with individuals who are interested but need more information or may share inform 'n on their availability.

The fifth preconception is as follows:

5) People seeking an activity location will want their friends or acquaintances to join them in the activity.

This is true most of the time. Times when people do not want their friends to come along is if they feel it will be too inconvenient for them (Appendix B.1:73-100), if they feel their friends will not enjoy the activity as much as they do (Appendix B.10:127-128), or it is something that needs to be done whether they are there or not (Appendix B.17:296-299, B.17:415-417, B.17:622-623). In such situations there should be a by-the-way kind of activity message that allows such individuals to passively inform their friends of what they are doing or about to do. Such a message type could invoke outeraction between the individual and his/her contacts and possibly encourage his/her contacts to join along.

The sixth preconception is the following:

6) People developing an activity location will do so only when their friends are involved

This is true with the exception of activities that individuals prefer to do alone for reasons such as the desire to teach themselves a new skill (Appendix 10:52-62, Appendix B.10:119-126), personal preference (Appendix B.4:468-475, Appendix B.10:39-40), concentration with no distraction (Appendix B.16:328-337), or it would be too much of an inconvenience for their friends to participate or they think they would not want to do the activity (Appendix B.1:363-264). In some circumstances, an individual will do the activity first and then eventually invite friends along to participate as well (Appendix B.16:482-493). In situations where the indi in all wants to do the activity alone, there is

no need for outeraction with his or her friends or contacts. But in situations when they want their friends to be involved a by-the-way message could be broadcasted by the individual as described for the fifth preconception above.

The seventh and final preconception is the following:

7) People with knowledge of an activity location hosting their favorite activity will perform the activity in that place with or without their friends or acquaintances

This is true if the individual has a strong enough desire to want to do the activity regardless if their friends will participate (Appendix B.1:159-186, Appendix B.1:301-314, Appendix B.1:359-376, Appendix B.3:342-391, Appendix B.5:200-203, Appendix B.10:41-50, Appendix B.10:244-251, Appendix B.10:302-307, Appendix B.16:314-317, Appendix B.16:328-337, Appendix B.17:353-360, Appendix D.17:430-442, Appendix D.17:622-629). Otherwise the individual will be deterred from doing the activity. In such situations, a by-the-way message can be used with the addition of multimedia attachments such as images, video, and audio such that the individual can share with his or her friends and contacts that could possibly arouse interest and encourage outeraction with potential participants (Appendix B.4:874-905).

In this chapter, the preconceptions presented in Section 5.3 were confronted with the data collected through an interpretation of the data to confirm or disprove the preconceptions. The next chapter presents recommendations for designing mobile outeraction systems.

## **CHAPTER 8**

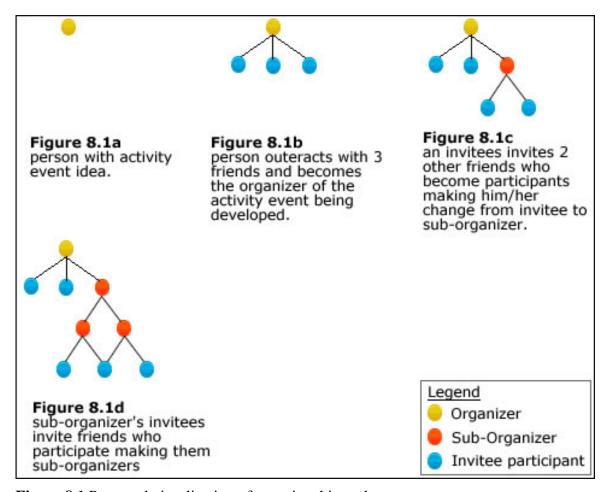
# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DESIGNING MOBILE OUTERACTION SYSTEMS

This chapter begins by listing eight recommendations gathered from the data interpreted in Chapter 8 of what outeraction systems should support. Outeraction systems should:

- Provide a way for participants to view the organizer hierarchy and allow switching of roles in this hierarchy.
- 2. Give organizers and sub-organizers the option to be visible only to contacts they know or individuals they invited to an activity event.
- 3. Allow organizers and sub-organizers to be able to easily pass new information to the people they invited to an activity event.
- 4. Support internal group communication between an organizer or suborganizer and the participants that he or she invited to the activity event.
- 5. Support the option for participants to outeract publicly with the participating group or privately with individuals within the group.
- 6. Support alert messaging to request additional participation from people outside the participating group.
- 7. Support a BTW (By The Way) style messaging that lets a person passively informs others of what he or she is doing or about to do.
- 8. Support multimedia uploading so that individuals can share more information with other individuals in their outeraction.

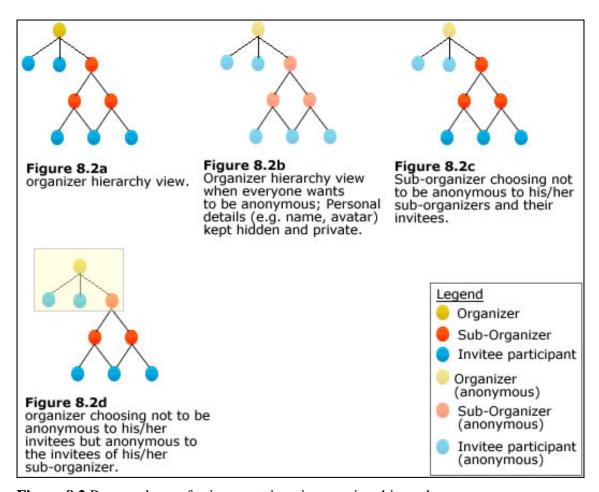
These recommendations were mentioned in Chapter 8 and will be further explained in this chapter.

Beginning with the first and second recommendation, outeraction systems could utilize a visualization system to show the organizational hierarchy. At the top would be the organizer; typically the person who came up with the activity idea. The level below the organizer would be the invitees he/she is outeracting with to create an activity event. The next level down would be the invitees of the organizer's direct invitees, and so on. A rule can be that an invitee changes to a role of sub-organizer when he/she is able to invite at least one person into the participating group (Figure 8.1).



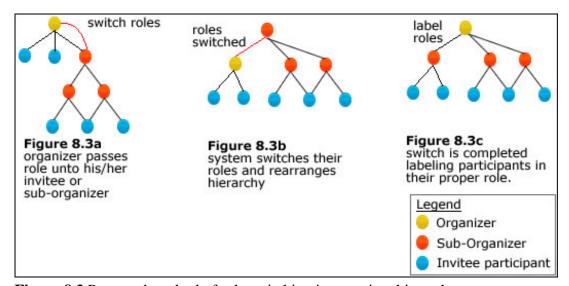
**Figure 8.1** Proposed visualization of organizer hierarchy as a tree structure.

To preserve some level of privacy, each individual should be allowed the option to hide their information details from view and just appear as an anonymous person fulfilling that role (role being an organizer, sub-organizer, or invitee). The individual could have the option to be visible to certain individuals like his or her invitees but to no one else (Figure 8.2). The switching of roles could also be allowed in order to preserve the flexibility of outeraction and avoid the pitfall posed by current event management systems with the lack of being able to change coordinator roles [12]. A system of acknowledgement notifications could be sent between the two parties who agree to swap roles (Figure 8.3).



**Figure 8.2** Proposed use of privacy settings in organizer hierarchy.

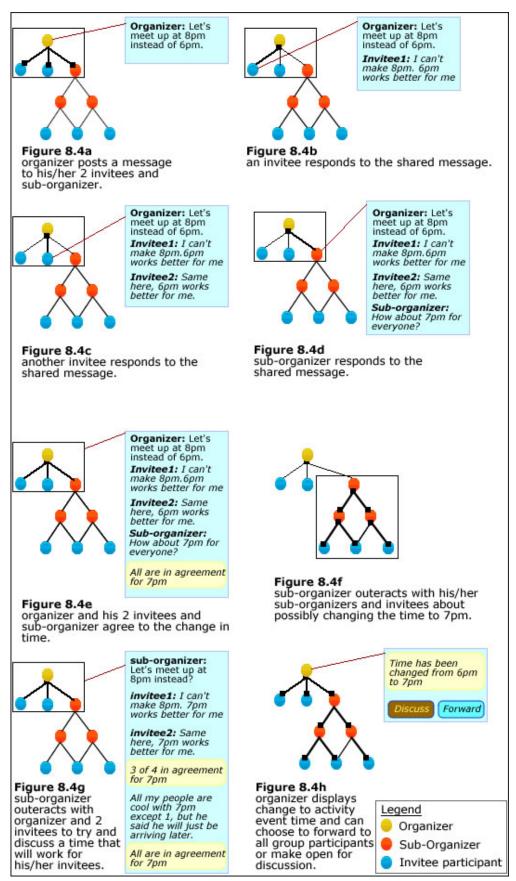
Considering recommendations three through five, outeraction systems could utilize an instant messaging system where individuals in the participating group can chat with other individuals in the group. In particular the system could automatically set up a chat group with an organizer, or a sub-organizer, and his/her immediate invitees (people one level below the organizer or sub-organizer) (Figure 8.4). Invitees and their organizer or sub-organizer could leave messages for one another one-to-one, one-to-many, or the whole chat group. Individuals could choose to talk directly one-on-one with other participants outside their immediate chat group, or address all participants in the participation group. Additional settings could be offered where an individual could choose to chat with those directly in their branch within the organizational hierarchy, several levels above or below him/her, or people in the group who are their personal contacts (people already in their contact list on their mobile device). Having this kind of communication system would be essential in supporting the outeracting within the organizational hierarchy suggested by recommendations one and two.



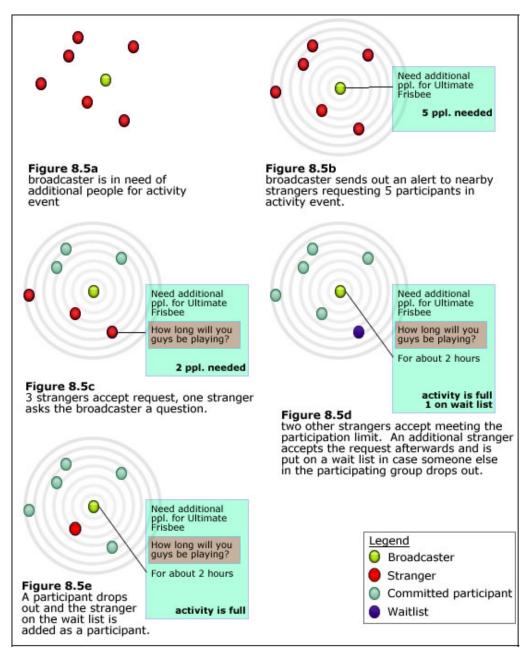
**Figure 8.3** Proposed method of role switching in organizer hierarchy.

Considering recommendations six and seven, an alert messaging system could be used to send requests for participation. Two types of alerts could be supported; one for inviting anyone and everyone (including strangers) within a specified proximity (Figure 8.5), and another for individuals to reach out to people in their personal contact list just to passively inform them of something they are doing, going to do, or plan on doing (Figure 8.6). Once an alert is sent out it should then serve as a message board interface with postings from individuals for questions and responses, sharing or exchanging information, and supporting outeraction with individuals outside the participating group. Considering recommendation eight, a multi-media message board system could be used to allow individuals in the participating group to post videos, pictures, and audio that could influence decisions on the activity event details, or an individual's decision to participate in the activity event. The message board could allow privacy settings to be made private just for group participants, or public in order to attract more individuals to the outeraction for the activity event.

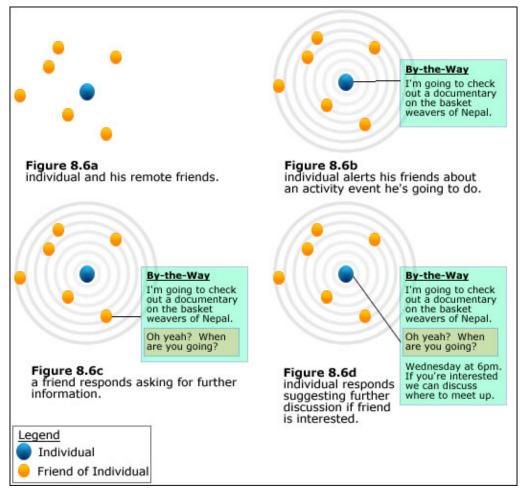
In this chapter, recommendations on how mobile outeraction systems could be built have been presented. Details on implementation and specification are left up to the application designer(s) since those details where not specified in the recommendations. In the next chapter the limitations of this study are addressed.



**Figure 8.4** Demonstration of outeraction messaging system discussing a change in the activity event time.



**Figure 8.5** Demonstration of using an alert system to get additional participants for an activity event.



**Figure 8.6** Demonstration of individual sending a passive alert to friends on an activity event he/she is participating in.

#### **CHAPTER 9**

### LIMITATIONS

Following the end of this investigation, there are several factors that limit the interpretation of the data collected for this investigation. One of these factors is the demographics. The subjects interviewed were all college students between the ages of eighteen and thirty. College students tend to have a more flexible schedule than working professionals. As such the data that was collected from these subjects could greatly differ from data collected from working professionals around the same age or older. Also the investigation focused on social activity events and not work-related events.

Social activity events are informal, attendance is optional, and can be easily abandoned. Work-related events, unless specified to be social and/or optional to attend, tend to be formally scheduled by a leader who determines a day and time and sends it out awaiting the invitees response of attending or not attending. Much like what is done on calendaring systems. If the event is of a social nature and not work-related, then it could be speculated that this investigation could also apply to working professionals considering that any activity event they put together is of a social nature and encourages outeraction to develop the event.

Another factor that limits this investigation is the sample size and lack of quantitative data. Since this was a qualitative study, much of the data collected is of a biased interpretation. With only a total of 20 subjects interviewed, the sample size was adequate but more subjects with many of the same responses would strengthen the validity of the interpretations in Chapters 4 and 7.

A third factor is the way all interests and activities are generalized in the semi-structured artifact as one particular type; an activity event. Interests and hobbies are typically unique and distinct requiring more effort, planning, and participation than other activities. For example, planning a ski trip with friends would be more involved than finding a friend to do pickup badminton with. This thesis did not explore how each of the activities that the subjects listed differed from other activities, but then the activity differences were never the main focus of this thesis.

In addition, the data collected was gathered from subjects recalling past activity events. Thus, it would prove difficult to get more minute details on the exact day and hour the subject used his or her technological device(s) for outeraction with other participants. Also, a subject could have a vague remembrance of the activity listed so some details would be left out. With these shortcomings, interpretations to the research questions and preconceptions could have drastically changed.

This chapter addressed the limitations of this thesis. Chapter 10 presents a discussion summarizing the findings of this thesis and suggestions for future work.

#### **CHAPTER 10**

#### **DISCUSSION**

This chapter provides a summarized discussion of this thesis and ideas for future work. Beginning with Chapter 2, two theories were presented that served as a lens into how individuals communicate with other individuals in coordinating an activity together. From the language/action perspective, the primary and secondary means of communication that were observed from the data in Chapter 6 could be considered as a process of conversation shifting. Unlike the conversation of states (request, promise, counter-offer, accept, decline, cancel), the shifting occurred across different technology medium. For example, a missed call could result in a text message being sent in order to convey a state to the other person or group of people.

In addition, the timeline of the activity occurring would also influence the communication shift. When the activity is being coordinated weeks in advance, there tends to be a preference to write the communication in the form of text messages, a social network website event, or email, and occasional face-to-face communication. However, as the time approaches to within a few days or the day of the activity event, there tends to be more of a shift to verbal communication through phone calling.

In terms of coordination theory, there are many components that come into play. Among groups of friends, the actors typically involve a person who comes up with an activity idea. This person usually serves as the organizer who reaches out to friends who become participants and the organizer's invitees if they choose to become involved. At times the idea and planning of an activity can be shared among two or more people who

serve as organizers reaching out to friends for participation. At other times, the person who initially had the idea becomes a participant instead and some other person takes on the responsibility of becoming an organizer. As participation grows, some of the participants become sub-organizers who serve as liaisons between the organizer(s) and the additional people they personally invite who are not socially close to the organizer(s). Other things that can occur are delegating coordination responsibilities to other participants. When strangers get involved, it tends to happen when the activity event is occurring or about to occur and additional participation is needed immediately. In such situations strangers who are nearby may be invited to participate with the participating group. On some occasions strangers may approach someone in the group and ask to participate if they sense there is a need for more participation.

The resources are technology mediums of texting, phone calling, instant messaging, and social networking website event creation. A non-technical resource is face-to-face. The goals would be to find a place to do the activity, a date and time, and gathering participants to do the activity with. In finding a place to do an activity, an organizer or group participant will ask people he or she knows personally for advice or recommendations on places to do the activity. An alternative to asking people would be to use the knowledge the organizer or group participant has about the activity or interest and go out exploring places that he or she would guess or assume would host the activity or have information about the activity.

Other times an organizer or group participant will go online to seek out information on places that can host the activity they have in mind. Once an organizer or group participant finds the information he or she is seeking for their desired activity, he or she makes his or her decision for a venue based upon a set of factors. For some the least expensive venue is the most desired one, even if it is further away than other similar venues. Sometimes it is the positive reviews and a good reputation that become the highest priorities in choosing a venue.

The next goal involves gathering participants to do the activity with. This involves the language/action perspective where the organizer(s) and potential participants go through several states before a date and time is decided, and where communication shifts occur with technology used to convey these states. There are times however when an individual prefers to do the activity alone either because they did not feel their friends would be interested in it, or they wanted to participate in the activity by themselves and if they enjoyed it then they would invite their friends to it. Other times it is because they have a strong enough interest in the activity to do it even if friends would not come, or they just preferred to do it alone. There is a threshold for when subjects would become disinterested in an activity; if it requires too much effort or is not convenient enough for them to do, or they could not get friends to come along.

The interdependencies vary upon the group dynamics. An increase in group participation is dependent upon the richness of information about the activity, or when more people invite other people. At the same time a decrease in group participation is dependent upon influential participants who no longer involve themselves in the activity, or participants' preoccupation with other engagements. There are times when a group will engage in a secondary activity following the first activity. This decision to engage in a second activity is dependent upon the primary activity no longer occurring, or a lack of interest in the primary activity. Among strangers, the stranger's ability to participate in

an activity among other strangers is dependent upon that stranger knowing at least one person within the participant group, that stranger asking to participate, or the group reaching out to the stranger for his or her participation.

In addition, there are also interdependencies on different resources being used in various ways based upon the timeline an activity is being coordinated. The use of texting, social networking websites, and face-to-face communication as the primary means of communication, followed by phone calling and email as secondary, is dependent upon the activity being planned over a month in advance. The use of face-to-face, texting, and phone calling as the primary means of communication, followed by email as secondary, is dependent upon the activity being planned within a week in advance. The use of face-to-face and phone calling as the primary means of communication, followed by texting as the secondary, is dependent upon the activity being planned the day before or day of the activity event.

Further work in this area could be to explore gaps in the recommendations that were presented in Chapter 8. The recommendations serve as suggestions to what should be included in an outeraction system, but do not go into great detail on how they should be implemented into a system. Examples were given as to what the system could have but not in great detail. One topic that should be further investigated is visualizing the organizer hierarchy. Are there better choices than a tree structure to represent the hierarchy? Would it make sense to users if they saw it as a tree structure, or is there another visualization model that should be used? If so, are there specific circumstances where one structure is preferred over another?

If the tree structure is used, another issue is visualizing a switching of roles. In Figure 8.3 the former organizer became an invitee to the sub-organizer, and all persons under the former organizer stayed underneath him or her. A concern would be if this is a good way to represent a role switch, or should the new organizer stay in the place he or she was already situated in the hierarchy, but be labeled as the organizer in some way. The latter would simplify the role switch, but could be confusing since most people are conditioned to consider people of authority to be at the top of a tree or pyramid-looking structure. The former would be a concern because depending upon just how large the group can be, trying to visualize such a massive change in structure could make the visualization complex. When participation scales to an enormous number of participants, what would be a more simplified way of visualizing the structure, and one that can fit within a small screen space like a smartphone screen.

Considering the messaging system for outeraction across the organizer hierarchy, further work would need to be done to determine if polling should be used in determining the activity event details. Would it be best to leave it in a loose state where anyone in the participating group can change it at a whim, or should there be protocols to control how changes can be made to the activity details? Determining the best approach to managing the nuances of final determination of activity details would need to be further explored.

Considering the alert messaging system, it would need to be determined if proximity should be considered. Should an alert go as far as a few feet or a few miles? Should the alert have a designated lifespan or remain posted indefinite until the creator turns it off? When responses are received should it be a private conversation between the sender of the alert and the responder, or should it be made public on the alert message

board for all to see? What kind of privacy issues should be considered and practiced in this kind of scenario when broadcasting alerts?

Other ideas for future work could also be explored strengthening or denouncing the recommendations offered by this thesis. Hopefully this work will bring more attention to the importance of supporting outeraction on mobile devices and further work on improving social mobile technology to accommodate people's social needs and desires.

#### APPENDIX A

### SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW DOCUMENTS

Figure A.1 to A.7 show the document pieces used for the semi-structured interview.

The goal of this artifact is to see what socially fun activities you do and would want to do with friends, strangers (if apply), and how you categorize these socially fun activities. We would like for you to do the following:

- 1) Select activities that you do and would also like to do from the activity list below and write them into the artifact table under the column 'Activity'. You may add in your own activities if you don't see them in the activity list.
  - a. Checkmark 'yes' under 'I do this' if the activity is something you do often or on occasion.
  - b. Checkmark 'yes' under 'want to do' if the activity is something you want to do but aren't able to do often.
  - c. Checkmark 'yes' under 'w/friends' if you do the activity with friends
  - d. Checkmark 'yes' under 'w/strangers' if you do the activity with strangers
- 2) Select a category from the category list below that you think best describes how you would categorize that activity and write it into the artifact table under the column 'Categorize'. You may add in your own category if you don't see the one you are thinking of in the list.

**Figure A.1** Instructions to the Semi-structured Interview Artifact.

Activity List		Category List
Acting		Community
Aerobics	Kickboxing	Education
Arts & crafts	Kung fu/wushu	Entertainment
Badminton	Lacrosse	Fitness
Ballroom dancing	Mountain bike riding	Health
Basketball	Movie watching	Journalism
Biking	Museums	Outdoor
Boxing	Music	Political
Cars	Nightclubs	Religious
Cheerleading	Pilates	Social
Church	Politics	Spiritual
Community outreach	Professional	Sport
Community service	(NSBE,SHPE,etc)	Technology
Concerts	Racing	
Cooking	Reading	
Cricket	Scubadiving	
Cultural socials	Shopping	
Dancing	Sightseeing	
Dining out	Skateboarding	
DJ	Skiing	
Drinking	Skydiving	
Driving	Snowboarding	
Filming/Directing	Soccer	
Fishing	Swimming	
Flying	Synagogue	
Football	Tae kwon do	
Gaming	Temple	
Gardening	Tennis	
Golf	Traveling	
Golf	Volleyball	
Greek (fraternity/sorority)	Volunteer	
Gymnastics	Weaving	
Hiking	Weightlifting	
Horseback	Yoga	
House party		
Hunting		
Jet skiing		
Jogging		

**Figure A.2** Table of Activities and Category Listings as Part of the Semi-structured Interview Artifact.

<u>Activity</u>	I do this	want to do	w/friends	w/ strangers	<u>Categorize</u>
e.g. wushu	yes	□yes	Lyes	yes	Sport/Martial Art
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**Figure A.3** Subject Form to Input their Activities and Category Labels with Checkmarks to Indicate who they do their Activities with. Part of the Semi-structured Interview Artifact.

# **Consent Form**

<u>Title of Research</u>: Social Activities among students that involve friends or strangers. Investigator: Christopher Wamble

You are being asked to take part in a research study that investigates the activities that college students participate in and how they coordinate those activities with familiar people (e.g. friends, acquaintances, family, etc...) or with strangers. We would also like to investigate the circumstances that would make students more willing to do activities that they participate in with strangers. The information you can provide us about yourself in this interview is very valuable in order to get the knowledge we need for this study. Please read this form carefully and ask any questions you may have before agreeing to take part in the study.

What the study is about: The purpose of this research study is to understand the actions that people take in coordinating activities with their friends and strangers and the technologies people use to assist them in the coordination process. The knowledge acquired through this study will be used for evaluating how current technologies like a mobile phone, social networking site, texting, and other communication mediums are used in social coordination.

What we will ask you to do: If you agree to be in this study, we will conduct an interview with you. The interview will include questions about the type of activities you are involved in, if you do these activities with friends or by yourself, how often you do these activities and what types of devices do you use to coordinate social activities. The interview will take about 30 minutes to 1 hour to complete. With your permission, we would also like to tape-record the interview for our records.

Your answers will be confidential. The records of this study will be kept private. In any sort of report we make public we will not include any information that will make it possible to identify you. Research records will be kept in a locked file; only the researchers will have access to the records. If we digitally-record the interview, we will destroy the recording file after it has been transcribed, which we anticipate will be within two months of its taping.

**Risks and benefits:** I do not anticipate any risks to you participating in this study other than those encountered in day-to-day life.

You may not receive any direct benefit from being in this study, but we hope to learn more about social activities that students are involved for meeting others.

**Taking part is voluntary:** Taking part in this study is completely voluntary. You may skip any questions that you do not want to answer. If you decide not to take part or to skip some of the questions, it will not affect your current or future relationship with NJIT. If you decide to take part, you are free to withdraw at any time.

If you have questions: The researchers conducting this study are the students in IS 475 course and Prof. Quentin Jones. Please ask any questions you have now. If you have questions later, you may contact Christopher Wamble at cdw6@njit.edu or at 240-476-8281. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your rights as a subject in this study, you may contact the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at 973-642-7616.

You will be given a copy of this form to keep for your records.					
<b>Statement of Consent:</b> I have read the above information, and have received answers to any questions I asked. I consent to take part in the study.					
Your Signature Date					
Your Name (printed)					
In addition to agreeing to participate, I also consent to having the interview tape-recorded.					
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This consent form will be kept by the researcher for at least three years beyond the end of the study and was approved by the IRB on [date].					

Figure A.4 Consent Form.

# **Interview Guide**

# Pre-Interview steps

1.I will introduce my self and read the speech to subject, convincing them of why they should participate.

- 2. If the subject(s) decides to participate in the study, they will be given two copies of the IRB consent form (one for their personal records and one for my records). Any additional questions they may have about the research study will be answered at this point.
- 3. After subject signs IRB forms I will ask the subject if I can record the interview. If they say yes I will start the recording. If they say no then I will need to write notes on paper.
- 4. The next step will be to gather biographical information about the subject.

# **Introduction Speech**

Hello, my name is **<your name here>**. The purpose of this interview is to find out:

- 1) How people coordinate doing socially fun activities with their friends?
- 2) What technologies people use to coordinate these activities with their friends?
- 3) How do people seek out socially fun activities that they may also do with strangers?
- 4) What technologies people use to find places to do socially fun activities?
- 5) How do people get involved in these socially fun activities with people who are not their friends?
- 6) What do people do when they can't get their friends to join them in socially fun activities that they want to do?

We think that the current technology such as mobile phone calling, texting, social networking sites, and mobile applications are not fully adequate to meeting a person's coordination needs when coordinating socially fun activities with friends or finding places to share these socially fun activities with strangers. Your involvement in this interview will help us to identify where the current technology is inadequate in serving you and others in their coordination needs. It is our goal to get as much information from persons in the student population as possible so we can make a reasonable generalization about how individuals coordinate activities with their friends and strangers on and off campus.

**Figure A.5** Interview Guide: Pre-interview Steps and Introduction Speech.

## **Biographical information**

- 1. What is your name?
- 2. What is your age?
- 3. What is your current school year?
- 4. What is your major?
- 5. Are you currently working?
  - a. If so, what is your current occupation?
- 6. Do you live on campus or do you commute?
  - a. If you commute, how far do you commute?
- 7. Do you live by yourself? Roommates? Family?
- 8. Do you use Social Networking Sites?
  - a. What Social Networking Sites do you use?
    - i. How often do you use them?
- 9. Do you use any mobile applications or Social Mobile Applications?
  - a. What mobile applications do you use?
    - i. How often do you use them?
- 10. Do you have a lot of free time during school?
  - a. If yes, what do you do in your free time?
    - i. How often do you conduct this activity?
- 11. Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
  - a. If yes, what social activities?
- 12. Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?

### **Interview Steps Continued**

I will go over the recall artifact form with the subject, this will allow me gather the activities they perform. Answer any questions they have and ask if there is any more information that they want to include before they are done. Also ask them to write down activities they would like to do but may not do regularly. Watch as they write down the activities so that you can become familiar with them when you start your conjectures.

**Figure A.6** Interview Guide: Biographical Questions and Interview Steps.

Questions (review artifact: select items they do with friends):

Conjecture 1: When Meeting up among friends the main person of contact for information on the activity event, including who has arrived, is running late, or cannot attend, is the organizer(s).

- 1) When was the last time you did <activity instance>?
- 2) Who's idea was it to do this activity?
- 3) How did you all discuss the details among yourselves?
- 4) Who and how many people organized this activity event?
- 5) When someone needed information or needed to contact someone in the group about a change in their attendance status, who did they contact? Who would you contact?
- 6) What was the primary means of communication used in organizing this activity event?
  - a. Were there any challenges in using this means of communication?
  - b. Were there any other means of communication used?
- 7) How much time elapsed since the time of the activity idea to the actual activity event occurring?

Conjecture 2: When there is a change in location or time among friends meeting up, the organizer(s) will contact or delegate other friends to contact members in the group of the change in location or time.

8) If there was a sudden change in time, date, and location for the activity event, who contacted everyone? Who contacted you with the new information?

Conjecture 3: Organizer(s) who cannot be present at an activity event or who are running late will attempt to transfer responsibility of the organizer to another friend in the group who is present or who will arrive ahead of time.

- 9) Was the organizer the first to show up?
  - a. Where the people who were there first take on some of the responsibility that would otherwise be responsibilities of the organizer?
- 10) Were people running late?
- 11) What was the primary means of communication used when you all were meeting up for the activity event?
  - a. Were there any challenges in using this means of communication?
  - b. Were there any other means of communication used?

- 12) Would the group proceed with the activity event even if not all the people were there?
- 13) Would the organizer contact the missing persons who were running late or would someone other than the organizer do that?
- 14) Was there ever a change in location, time, or activity as the current activity event progressed?
- 15) Did people from the group leave all together or one at a time?
- 16) Did you all communicate about doing the same activity or a different activity together at a future time?
- 17) Was this done while at the current activity event, near the end of it, or at least a day or more later after the event was over?
- 18) What was the primary means of communication in discussing another time to do the same or a different activity?

Questions (review artifact: select items they do with strangers, or friends and strangers):

- 1) When was the last time you did <activity instance>?
- 2) Is there a place you typically go to do this activity with strangers?

Conjecture 4: A group that needs one or more additional people to perform an activity will invite strangers who appear to have an interest in the activity to join them if they are all within the same activity location.

3) How do you emerge yourself into this activity with other strangers?

Conjecture 5: People looking for an activity location will want their friends or acquaintances to join them in the activity.

Conjecture 6: People choosing a place to do an activity will do so only when their friends are involved.

- 4) How did you discover this place?
- 5) How did you find out about people doing this activity there?
- 6) When you first discovered this place did you go with friends and/or acquaintances?

Conjecture 7: People with knowledge of an activity location for their favorite activity will perform the activity in that place with or without their friends.

- 7) Do you ever do this activity at this location without friends or acquaintances?
- 8) Would you do this activity regardless if you friends came along?

Figure A.7 Interview Guide: Conjecture and Leading Questions.

### APPENDIX B

### SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEWS TRANSCRIBED

Figure B.1 to B.20 show transcriptions of interviews with anonymous names.

## **Figure B.1** Interview with Subject 1.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Angela:** I'm a freshman business major.
- 3. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 4. **Angela:** no
- 5. **Interviewer:** Do live on campus or do you commute?
- 6. **Angela:** yes, campus
- 7. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 8. **Angela:** with roommates.
- 9. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 10. **Angela:** one roommate and then I have 2 suitemates.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites?
- 12. **Angela:** yes, uh Facebook and Tuenti, which is like Facebook but in Spain.
- 13. **Interviewer:** How often do you use Facebook?
- 14. **Angela:** maybe 3 hours a day, 4 hours a day.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Consistently or checkup up on it every 3-4 hours?
- 16. **Angela:** yeah 3-4 hours later I'm going to check it again.
- 17. **Interviewer:** You spend a few minutes on it?
- 18. **Angela:**like 30 minutes, an hour.
- 19. **Interviewer:** And then 3-4 hours later you'll checkup on it later?
- 20. **Angela:** yes, later.
- 21. **Interviewer:** And what about twenty?
- 22. **Angela:** the same
- 23. **Interviewer:** So several times a day for each one?
- 24. **Angela:** yes, each one.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications?
- 26. **Angela:** yes, both of them.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Facebook and Tuenti?
- 28. Angela: yeah
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other applications on your phone?
- 30. Angela: such as like Facebook?
- 31. **Interviewer:** Anything that...
- 32. **Angela:** like email?
- 33. **Interviewer:** Sure like email or chat?
- 34. **Angela:** yeah I use email.
- 35. **Interviewer:** You chat?
- 36. **Angela:** yes I use chat.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Do you use any location based applications, see people on a map?
- 38. **Angela:** no, I don't do that.
- 39. **Interviewer:** So anything that's sociable on your phone?
- 40. **Angela:** yeah, there's like a network that's just for iphone and I use that. So I can talk to people who have iphones in Spain for free.
- 41. **Interviewer:** What's the name of that application?
- 42. **Angela:** it's like Whatsapp.
- 43. **Interviewer:** And it's used only in Spain?

- 44. **Angela:** I don't know it's just for iphone but I use it with people who are in Spain.
- 45. **Interviewer:** But you can't see them on a map, just a screen name?
- 46. **Angela:** I can just see a screen name and I can talk to them. They're always online since it's for the iphone so I can just talk to them.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Do you use your Facebook and Tuenti mostly on your phone or on a desktop?
- 48. **Angela:** on my phone.
- 49. **Interviewer:** So most of the time you do it on your phone?
- 50. **Angela:** yes
- 51. **Interviewer:** How often do you use this chatting application with people in Spain?
- 52. **Angela:** maybe like, I don't know all the time. It depends if someone talks to me or I want to talk to them. You know, it's just like if I want to talk to them or say hi to them I'm just going to take my phone and send them a message.
- 53. **Interviewer:** So sometimes they contact you and you contact them?
- 54. **Angela:** yes
- 55. **Interviewer:** How do you determine when your going to contact a person?
- 56. **Angela:** there's just the names so I just got to click on the name and then it's going to pop up like a chat to talk.
- 57. **Interviewer:** So all you have is a screen name?
- 58. **Angela:** I just got to go to the application click on the application. It's going to popup all the names of my friends. I just got to choose my friend and then the conversation starts.
- 59. **Interviewer:** So you're not chatting with random strangers?
- 60. **Angela:** no. I need their cell phone number to add them to my contact list.
- 61. **Interviewer:** So if they are in your phone book and have the app you can see them and you can chat with them and they can chat with you?
- 62. **Angela:** yes
- 63. **Interviewer:** Would you consider yourself to have a lot of time during school?
- 64. **Angela:** not really.
- 65. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 66. **Angela:** I do basketball. I play basketball almost every day.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Several hours?
- 68. **Angela:** yeah like 3 hours a day.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Including weekends or just weekdays?
- 70. **Angela:** uhm, since now we're on offseason we don't have weekends. We're on season we have one day off per week.
- 71. **Interviewer:** So you do most of your favorite activites on campus?
- 72. **Angela:** I do basketball but like other activities if you consider like shopping or theaters or movies on campus, no I go outside. I go to the city or to the mall.
- 73. **Interviewer:** You say here you want to do aerobics?
- 74. **Angela:** yes
- 75. **Interviewer:** Have you done aerobics before?
- 76. **Angela:** yes, I've done it before.
- 77. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did it?
- 78. **Angela:** last summer.
- 79. **Interviewer:** Did you do it with friends or with strangers?
- 80. **Angela:** strangers
- 81. **Interviewer:** How did you decide you wanted to do aerobics?
- 82. **Angela:** because I was involved with a gym and I saw that they had aerobics. I guess it was Tuesdays in the morning or something. And I could do it because it fit in my schedule so I just went to the gym and did it.
- 83. **Interviewer:** You had a membership at the gym?
- 84. **Angela:** yes I had a membership.
- 85. **Interviewer:** Different than this gym (NJIT gym)?
- 86. **Angela:** yes it is back home in Spain.
- 87. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about that gym?

- 88. **Angela:** because it was by my house so it was the closest gym.
- 89. **Interviewer:** How did you discover it?
- 90. **Angela:** my mom was involved with that gym so since she was involved and she thought it was good, I decided to go there because I needed to go to they gym or I want to. And since my mom was happy with that gym, I decided to go in.
- 91. **Interviewer:** Was there an advertisement or a staff person tell you about the aerobics class?
- 92. **Angela:** um there was a schedule like a time table. Say all the activities that they offer. So I look at them and saw aerobics and I thought it was a good idea.
- 93. **Interviewer:** This was posted on a bulletin board?
- **94. Angela:** yes
- 95. **Interviewer:** On a piece of paper?
- 96. **Angela:** yes, basically.
- 97. When you decided to go, did you go by yourself or with someone else?
- 98. **Angela:** I went by myself.
- 99. **Interviewer:** Did you think to ask friends to come along?
- 100. **Angela:** um, not really. Actually maybe I asked some friends but since it was in the morning like 10am. I thought it was too early for people to come there so I choose to like I didn't care to go by myself because there's going to be a lot of people who are going to be there by themselves so I just decided to go by myself too.
- 101. **Interviewer:** Did you think perhaps your friends wouldn't be interested?
- 102. **Angela:** hmmm. Not really, maybe. I'd say maybe.
- 103. **Interviewer:** How long did you do the aerobics?
- 104. **Angela:** I was going every week, every Tuesday for a month. So basically 4 times.
- 105. How did you emerge yourself into aerobics at the gym?
- 106. **Angela:** I just got into the room. I saw a bunch of people but I didn't care because I was thinking that they were like me just random people who wanted to do aerobics and maybe they were by themselves so I took a spot over there and started doing the same thing the coach was doing.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Did you interact with any strangers?
- 108. **Angela:** um, just a couple of times just to ask like how do you do that or where are the weights or something like that but nothing like how are you or whatever.
- 109. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball?
- 110. **Angela:** this morning.
- 111. **Interviewer:** Who did you do it with?
- 112. **Angela:** with teammates.
- 113. **Interviewer:** Who's idea is it to get together? The coach?
- 114. **Angela:** oh yeah the coach, we have a schedule set and we have to go. But like also we usually go in the afternoon to play some pickup and that's basically our idea or teammate's idea. We just send a text to everybody and we meet in the gym and play some basketball some pickup with between us and other people like strangers.
- 115. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was for the last instance of this pickup game?
- 116. Angela: yeah, one of my teammates.
- 117. **Interviewer:** How did she communicate to you this idea?
- 118. **Angela:** she sent everybody from the team a text saying that she wanted to play a pickup at 8 and if it was good like whoever want to go like we can meet in the gym.
- 119. **Interviewer:** This was the same day?
- 120. **Angela:** it was on Monday. Oh yes she sent a text....
- 121. **Interviewer:** Yesterday right?
- 122. Angela: yes
- 123. **Interviewer:** Oh you said this morning you had practice.
- 124. **Angela:** wait this morning we had practice but we play the pickup Monday night.
- 125. **Interviewer:** So when did she first have the idea?
- 126. **Angela:** she maybe text on Monday at 4 or 5.
- 127. **Interviewer:** Since it was her idea was she the one organizing getting everyone together?

- 128. **Angela:** hmm maybe. I mean it's just like a regular text like whoever want to go to the gym I'm going to be there like at 8 to play some pickup. It was like that not like who want to come? I'm going to do that? Blah blah blah.
- 129. **Interviewer:** So she framed the text to say I'm going to go, whoever wants to go with me vs. who wants to go.
- 130. **Angela:** yeah she was like, whoever want to go lets go at 8 to play pickup. It's not like who wants to go here.
- 131. **Interviewer:** Was the only means of communication texting?
- 132. **Angela:** hmm. Maybe on Facebook chat I ask some of my teammates 'hey are you going to go to pickup?'
- 133. **Interviewer:** Did you know that they were text by this same person?
- 134. **Angela:** yes
- 135. **Interviewer:** How did you know?
- 136. **Angela:** I asked my teammate on Facebook chat if they knew about the pickup and she told me that yes she knew and that she was going to go.
- 137. **Interviewer:** How many people did you chat with on Facebook about that?
- 138. **Angela:** just one.
- 139. **Interviewer:** Where there any challenges in coordinating to get together for this pickup?
- 140. **Angela:** no
- 141. **Interviewer:** Who was the first to show up?
- 142. **Angela:** I don't know
- 143. **Interviewer:** When you got there were they playing already?
- 144. **Angela:** they were in the locker room getting ready.
- 145. **Interviewer:** How many of you were there?
- 146. **Angela:** 5
- 147. **Interviewer:** Did you know if any others were coming?
- 148. **Angela:** I just like suppose. I didn't know exactly who was going to go but I always suppose who is going to go because I know more or less who is usually going.
- 149. **Interviewer:** You only knew that you, the person who invited you...
- 150. **Angela:** and another one
- 151. **Interviewer:** ... Was going to show?
- 152. **Angela:** yes
- 153. **Interviewer:** And you got there and there were two others?
- 154. **Angela:** yeah
- 155. **Interviewer:** Did you know if there was anyone running late or people coming later?
- 156. **Angela:** not from my team but there is stranger people that they come and they just join the team and join the game.
- 157. **Interviewer:** Did you all ask them to join or did they ask you if they could join?
- 158. **Angela:** they asked us. Because we play 5 on 5 and there's 5 of us against 5 strangers so we play a game and whoever wins stay and whoever loose goes away. If there are more people they come on to play.
- 159. **Interviewer:** You say here you want to do church?
- 160. **Angela:** yeah I would like to go more often to the church yes.
- 161. Interviewer: Where would you start in finding a church back home in Spain for example?
- 162. **Angela:** if it were back home, I would ask my family if they would like to come with me. If they say no then I would ask some of my friends, and we would go to a church by my house since there are a couple of churches that we know.
- 163. **Interviewer:** Lets say here in the US?
- 164. **Angela:** ok I don't know where is a church.
- 165. **Interviewer:** So how would you go about finding one?
- 166. **Angela:** I would be on Facebook asking people if they know where's a church?
- 167. **Interviewer:** Would it be friends or people in your buddy list?
- 168. **Angela:** yes I would put on my status 'does anybody know where is a church?' and people will comment there. So it's basically my friend can comment on my status.

- 169. **Interviewer:** I would like to bring up Facebook and have you show me how you would go about doing that.
- 170. <demonstrating how she would do it on a web browser on Facebook>
- 171. **Interviewer:** So lets say you decide in this area you want to go to a church but you're not sure which one, where around, or the type you would go to. So you said you would go to Facebook so what would you do once you logged into facebook?
- 172. Angela: I would just go on my profile or just like here (status box what's on my mind).
- 173. So here you would type in here what's on my mind?
- 174. **Angela:** yes here what's on my mind and I would type in 'does anybody know about a church by NJIT?' and I would share that with my people and people would comment on it.
- 175. **Interviewer:** Would there be any other methods you would use as well?
- 176. **Angela:** if I would be in a rush, I could just either text someone or call someone who I know is from this area so I would know how it goes how or where the people....
- 177. **Interviewer:** Would you have a particular doctrine like?
- 178. **Angela:** I would be looking for a Catholic church.
- 179. **Interviewer:** So your first instinct would be to contact people you know or friends who live in this area?
- 180. **Angela:** uh hm, yeah.
- 181. **Interviewer:** Would you use any other means?
- 182. **Angela:** I could use um, Google Maps in case anybody knows anything or nobody contacts me or whatever. I could go just to Google and Google Maps and type 'catholic church' and plus 'Newark.'
- 183. **Interviewer:** Once you know of a place you would ask friends about coming?
- 184. **Angela:** yes
- 185. **Interviewer:** Would you go without friends? Would you go by yourself if you couldn't get anyone to come with you?
- 186. **Angela:** here not really since I don't know where's the church and I don't know how it will be. So I would be kind of scared so I would rather go with someone but if nobody would like to come with me I would go by myself.
- 187. **Interviewer:** You crossed out community service because you don't?
- 188. Angela: yeah I do like twice this year, but I would like to do it more often so that's why I put it.
- 189. **Interviewer:** So about the last instance you did it what was it?
- 190. **Angela:** we went with the basketball team. We went to school and we had to help the teachers with the little kids. It was kind of like Kindergarten.
- 191. **Interviewer:** You helped the teachers to what exactly?
- 192. **Angela:** I went to a class with one of my teammates. And we had to read some books to them. And then they tried to write some sentences and we had to help them. They were divided in groups so one group was trying to write, another group was trying to um, to picture like to draw some stuff some things. Another group was trying to read, and the other group was trying to learn some grammar. So we were going from group to group or like going through the groups and trying to help the little kids.
- 193. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about this community service?
- 194. **Angela:** it was just basically imposed by the basketball coach.
- 195. **Interviewer:** The team or the coach?
- 196. Angela: the coach. She said basically we had to do a community service and we're going to do that.
- 197. **Interviewer:** How long a period was this planned?
- 198. **Angela:** three days in advance. It wasn't the head coach it was the assistant coach. Yeah but basically the staff, the basketball coaches.
- 199. Interviewer: Do you know who's main idea it was?
- 200. Angela: yeah
- 201. **Interviewer:** Who's was it?
- 202. **Angela:** umm, my assistant coach.
- 203. Interviewer: So it was her idea and she was organizing getting the team to go?
- 204. **Angela:** yeah
- 205. **Interviewer:** So initially the idea was face to face at a practice.
- 206. **Angela:** uh hm.

- 207. **Interviewer:** Between those three days was there any means of communication used for organizing and coordinating this?
- 208. **Angela:** um, another of my assistant coach. She text everybody saying what we have to wear for the community service and what time we're going to meet.
- 209. **Interviewer:** So texting was used.
- 210. **Angela:** yes texting.
- 211. **Interviewer:** So day 1 there was a text sent?
- 212. **Angela:** no day one it was verbal. Day 2 it was texting saying you have to wear red NJIT t-shirt and sweats. And day 3 we had to meet to leave.
- 213. **Interviewer:** So day 2 was texting, day three...
- 214. **Angela:** we left
- 215. **Interviewer:** But was there any means of communication used on day 3.
- 216. **Angela:** there was another text saying be on time.
- 217. **Interviewer:** So there was no phone calling?
- 218. **Angela:** no. Actually I called one of my teammates because she was kind of late, and I called her and was like 'where are you you're going to come late.'
- 219. **Interviewer:** Did the assistant coach ask you to do that or you did that yourself?
- 220. **Angela:** I did that myself.
- 221. **Interviewer:** During those three days, did you and your teammates communication with each other?
- 222. **Angela:** not really, no.
- 223. **Interviewer:** So it was the assistant coach texting....
- 224. **Angela:** taking care of everything, yeah.
- 225. **Interviewer:** Were there any challenges with that like maybe there could have been a better or different way than texting?
- 226. Angela: no it was good yes. It worked out for everyone.
- 227. Interviewer: You said you would like to go to concerts with friends and strangers?
- 228. **Angela:** yes
- 229. **Interviewer:** Have you been to a concert before?
- 230. Angela: yeah
- 231. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a concert?
- 232. **Angela:** like 2 years ago
- 233. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was?
- 234. **Angela:** yeah my sister got some tickets, but she was unable to go to the concert so she gave it to me those tickets and I invited 2 of my friends and we went together.
- 235. **Interviewer:** Do you know how she got the tickets?
- 236. **Angela:** my sister? She bought them.
- 237. **Interviewer:** So when she first told you about these tickets was it face to face or did she call or text you?
- 238. **Angela:** actually it was face to face.
- 239. **Interviewer:** And when you had the tickets?
- 240. **Angela:** I text someone
- 241. **Interviewer:** You texted a friend?
- 242. Angela: yeah
- 243. **Interviewer:** And you only had two tickets?
- 244. **Angela:** yeah. It was me and two more friends.
- 245. **Interviewer:** So three of you total?
- 246. Angela: yeah
- 247. **Interviewer:** So since it was your idea did you do most of the organizing?
- 248. **Angela:** yeah, basically yes. I contacted both of my friends and they text me back. Basically they contact me by themselves.
- 249. **Interviewer:** How much time was it in between you getting the tickets to the day of the event?
- 250. **Angela:** maybe like 15 days.
- 251. **Interviewer:** Over the course of those days what was the means of communication you used between you and your friends?
- 252. **Angela:** phone. Either texting or calling.

- 253. **Interviewer:** Nothing else?
- 254. Angela: no
- 255. Interviewer: You didn't use Tuenti or nothing?
- 256. Angela: no
- 257. **Interviewer:** So any information that your friends need to get from you or update you on about them coming, they would contact you directly?
- 258. **Angela:** yes
- 259. **Interviewer:** So they wouldn't necessarily contact each other they would contact you because your organizing it?
- 260. **Angela:** yes, I think so.
- 261. **Interviewer:** From day 1 to day 14 was it mostly texting?
- 262. **Angela:** yes mostly texting, yes.
- 263. **Interviewer:** Was there any phone calling during that time?
- 264. **Angela:** yeah some of it.
- 265. **Interviewer:** Which do you think there was more of?
- 266. **Angela:** texting
- 267. **Interviewer:** The day before and day of what means of communication was used?
- 268. **Angela:** um, the day before texting. And the day of the event of the concert it was calling just to make sure of where we were meeting and everything.
- 269. **Interviewer:** Did you all decide to meet somewhere before going to the concert or just meet at the concert?
- 270. **Angela:** I meet with them like in somewhere in the subway station, and my dad pick us up from the subway station and he drove us to the concert.
- 271. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your dad about the pickup?
- 272. **Angela:** I just ask him face to face and it was good.
- 273. **Interviewer:** Did you have to call or text him?
- 274. **Angela:** no he was home.
- 275. **Interviewer:** So you went to the concert and you all left together?
- 276. Angela: yes
- 277. **Interviewer:** Did you get a ride from your dad after the concert?
- 278. Angela: yes
- 279. **Interviewer:** I have one more question about the community service. If you decided you wanted to do community service, what process would you go through to find a place or find an event?
- 280. **Angela:** I would go on Internet and Google and just put in community service or whatever, and in this area and I would find them. I will either go by myself or I would first of all ask my friends if they would like to come with me, and in case that they wouldn't like to I would just go by myself.
- 281. **Interviewer:** What about concerts, what if there was a concert you wanted to go to?
- 282. **Angela:** I would go with my friends and then I can meet like strangers. Like whenever I put up like strangers I don't care and like for me like I can go with my friends to the concert and meet them there. There's like a bunch of people and I wouldn't care like to meet them. But I would just go to a concert with my friends I would never go by myself.
- 283. Interviewer: So you would do community service by yourself if you couldn't get friends to go?
- 284. **Angela:** yeah
- 285. **Interviewer:** Because of your interest you have a strong interest?
- 286. **Angela:** yes
- 287. **Interviewer:** And the same with church?
- 288. Angela: yes
- 289. Interviewer: But with concerts if you couldn't get any friends to go you would not go?
- 290. **Angela:** I would not go.
- 291. **Interviewer:** And cooking you say you would like to cook with friends?
- 292. **Angela:** uh hm, yeah.
- 293. **Interviewer:** Have you actually cooked with friends?
- 294. Angela: uh yeah, yes.
- 295. **Interviewer:** Can you remember the last time you cooked with friends?
- 296. **Angela:** yes it was like 10 months ago or a year ago.

- 297. **Interviewer:** Do you remember if there was a means of planning for this cooking?
- 298. **Angela:** no I was in my friend's house, and we were hungry and we went to the kitchen and he was cooking so we decided to make something.
- 299. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 300. **Angela:** yes
- 301. Interviewer: You say here you like to do cultural socials with friends or strangers?
- 302. **Angela:** yeah
- 303. **Interviewer:** So a cultural social being, for example I sometimes will when I have the time go out to New York and there's a group called L'Afterworks, which is a French socials but it's open to anyone. So something like that?
- 304. **Angela:** yes
- 305. **Interviewer:** Have you been to one or several before?
- 306. **Angela:** no
- 307. **Interviewer:** So say if you had an interest in wanting to go to cultural socials how would you go about discovering a place or function?
- 308. **Angela:** Internet, Google.
- 309. **Interviewer:** Mostly Google? Any other means?
- 310. **Angela:** I would google it and just like take it. And yeah basically Google.
- 311. **Interviewer:** And would you go without friends or with friends?
- 312. **Angela:** both of them.
- 313. **Interviewer:** So say you asked friends to come along, and they couldn't come.
- 314. **Angela:** I would go by myself.
- 315. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate with your friends about going to this cultural social once you found one?
- 316. **Angela:** either face to face or on Facebook. I would create an event on Facebook and/or just like text somebody.
- 317. **Interviewer:** Can you show on here on Facebook how you would create an event for something like lets say on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April.
- 318. Angela: I don't know how to do it. They help me, one of my friends help me.
- 319. **Interviewer:** So you would have to get together with a friend to say help me make this?
- 320. **Angela:** yeah. I don't know how to do it on Facebook. I know how to do it on Tuenti, but I don't know how to do it on Facebook.
- 321. **Interviewer:** So would you ask your friend to...so it would be your idea and you would probably take on being the organizer of it?
- 322. Angela: yeah I would organize everything. I would just ask her to...
- 323. **Interviewer:** To help assist.
- 324. **Angela:** yes
- 325. **Interviewer:** And you would ask her to create within her own Facebook?
- 326. **Angela:** with my Facebook.
- 327. Interviewer: So you would have her login with ....
- 328. **Angela:** she would be with me, like face to face she would be with me. I would just like take my computer to her room because she's my suitemate. I would just like be like could please help me to make an event page.
- 329. **Interviewer:** Dining out, when was the last time you went dining out?
- 330. Angela: um, last weekend. Last Saturday.
- 331. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was?
- 332. **Angela:** it was, I was with my friend in the city. I was just hungry and we were like you want to eat? Yeah, lets go eat.
- 333. **Interviewer:** So you were together facet to face just the two of you?
- 334. Angela: yes.
- 335. **Interviewer:** Driving, you say you would like to drive with friends?
- 336. **Angela:** yeah
- 337. **Interviewer:** Do you know how to drive?

- 338. **Angela:** no, I don't have my license.
- 339. **Interviewer:** So say if you wanted to go driving with friends, how do you think you would coordinate that?
- 340. **Angela:** texting. Texting or creating an event on Facebook or Tuenti.
- 341. **Interviewer:** So mostly texting?
- 342. **Angela:** texting, yes.
- 343. **Interviewer:** And creating an event. Any other means?
- 344. **Angela:** I don't usually call, I usually use my text.
- 345. Interviewer: Jogging, you say you want to jog with friends and strangers. Do you currently jog?
- 346. **Angela:** I just like, sometimes last week I use to run everyday but this week I'm not running. And I, it was my idea actually and I just contact my friends through Facebook on chat Facebook. And I ask them, they are my teammates but they're also my friends. I ask them on Facebook do you maybe want to run after practice? They said yes so after practice we just run.
- 347. **Interviewer:** So chat meaning like down here you click and chat (move mouse to bottom corner of Facebook page where chat is)
- 348. **Angela:** yeah. Here I just see all my friends.
- 349. **Interviewer:** So you would try to organize this maybe like the day of or....
- 350. **Angela:** day before, the night before.
- 351. **Interviewer:** So you do this and between the night before up to the moment you're going to go running, would you use any other means of communication?
- 352. **Angela:** no because it is like do you want to go running after practice? Yeah we have practice in the morning, we have the practice and then I would just ask you want to run right? She said yes.
- 353. **Interviewer:** So you know that just chatting with them the night before, they'll remember to meet with you tomorrow?
- 354. **Angela:** yes. I mean it's not on me because we have a practice we have to go to practice. So after practice like ok.
- 355. **Interviewer:** Has there ever been an instance where you were organizing a jog with someone and they didn't show up and so you went on your own?
- 356. **Angela:** no never.
- 357. **Interviewer:** They always come?
- 358. **Angela:** yeah
- 359. Interviewer: Kickboxing, you say you would like to do kickboxing with friends and strangers?
- 360. **Angela:** uh hm.
- 361. **Interviewer:** Have you ever done kickboxing before?
- 362. **Angela:** (nodding no)
- 363. **Interviewer:** So can you describe to me how you would try to do kickboxing?
- 364. **Angela:** I would take if uh for example if there is any organization in the school that offers um that sport that kickboxing. Or if I were back home (Spain) I would go to the gym that I'm in and I would ask if they offer that class. And if not I would look on the Internet or Google. And then like I don't know I would maybe ask somebody on chat.
- 365. **Interviewer:** Something of interest is this is the first instance you mentioned that you would try to look for resources on campus.
- 366. **Angela:** yeah
- 367. **Interviewer:** So the other ones you had mention I think uh maybe cultural socials, community service, and concerts you would look outside of campus to do?
- 368. Angela: actually community service I would look in on campus, yes.
- 369. **Interviewer:** So your initial thought in terms of kickboxing and looking for that here, is there a reason why you first initial thought would be....
- 370. **Angela:** just because there is a gym over there and maybe they offer that class as there's like dancing classes offered and all of that. Maybe they would offer that class too.
- 371. **Interviewer:** So you said you would first check the resources here at the gym.
- 372. **Angela:** yes
- 373. **Interviewer:** Then what would be the next thing you said you would do?
- 374. **Angela:** Google it.

- 375. **Interviewer:** Would you go with or without friends?
- 376. **Angela:** um both of that. I would understand that if they didn't want to come with me I would just be by myself I...
- 377. **Interviewer:** You would still go?
- 378. Angela: yeah
- 379. **Interviewer:** And do you image how you would try to emerge yourself into it?
- 380. Angela: I would be like, is that the class of kickboxing? They would be like yeah blah blah.
- 381. **Interviewer:** So you might ask around, you might try to find an instructor or coach?
- 382. **Angela:** yeah the instructor, and then....
- 383. **Interviewer:** Mountain biking, you said you would like to do mountain biking with friends and strangers?
- 384. **Angela:** yeah that's the same thing like kickboxing I would check either Internet or campus and then just ask people.
- 385. **Interviewer:** Movie watching, when was the last time you went movie watching?
- 386. Angela: uh, 3 nights ago. Sunday night.
- 387. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go movie watching?
- 388. **Angela:** um, it was actually my idea. Because we went to a house party or whatever, and it wasn't great so we just came back to the room to the dorm. And I proposed to watch a movie with all my suitemates and the people that were coming with us. So we just....
- 389. **Interviewer:** This movie watching, was it done in the dorm or a movie theater?
- 390. **Angela:** in the dorm.
- 391. **Interviewer:** So about this house party, how did you find out about the house party?
- 392. **Angela:** there was an event on Facebook.
- 393. **Interviewer:** So a friend sent you the Facebook event?
- 394. **Angela:** yes
- 395. Interviewer: From the day on Sunday, when did you first receive the event? What day was that?
- 396. **Angela:** maybe a month ago.
- 397. **Interviewer:** So close to a month you saw the Facebook event for this house party?
- 398. **Angela:** uh hm, yeah.
- 399. Interviewer: And it was sent to you by your friend?
- 400. **Angela:** yeah, by a friend on Facebook.
- 401. **Interviewer:** Did you know the organizer who was putting it together?
- 402. **Angela:** actually no. Some of my friends invited me. I didn't know the organization.
- 403. **Interviewer:** Where was the party being held?
- 404. Angela: in Oak, on campus.
- 405. **Interviewer:** So between the time you saw it up to the time it was going to happen, was there any means of communication that you used to coordinate with friends?
- 406. **Angela:** maybe just Facebook chat. I was going to go with my suitemates. That's for sure but like on Facebook chat I asked some of my friends who live on campus if they were going to go.
- 407. **Interviewer:** Within those days, was this communication process happening each day or was it sporadic?
- 408. **Angela:** yeah, just like some randomly.
- 409. **Interviewer:** And you would ask other friends face to face?
- 410. **Angela:** yeah
- 411. **Interviewer:** So each friend you asked face to face did any of they say yeah I'd be interested in going?
- 412. Angela: yeah
- 413. **Interviewer:** And did you forward the facebook event to them?
- 414. **Angela:** uuuuhh....
- 415. **Interviewer:** How did you share the details with them?
- 416. **Angela:** actually no, I just talk to them face to face and then um, on Facebook chat. The party it's at Oak on that day and that time.
- 417. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you decided you would not forward the event?
- 418. **Angela:** I just don't do that. I don't know why.

- 419. **Interviewer:** Do you feel it's more convenient then....
- 420. **Angela:** I don't know, I just don't like. I don't know why actually I never asked myself why but I never do that I never forward the um, the events. I just like talk to people.
- 421. **Interviewer:** The day before and the day of, was there a lot of communication going on?
- 422. Angela: the day before not really, the day on yeah maybe texting like visual like face to face and...
- 423. **Interviewer:** So when you needed information, did you contact the friends who invited you?
- 424. **Angela:** if I need information yeah absolutely.
- 425. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't try to contact the organizer, just the one who invited you?
- 426. Angela: yeah
- 427. **Interviewer:** So you would get the information from your friend, and then you would pass that information onto the friends you invited?
- 428. **Angela:** ah yeah yeah, of course.
- 429. **Interviewer:** And if they had any questions that you didn't already know....
- 430. Angela: I would just say. Either I wouldn't contact or I would say. I don't know like....
- 431. Interviewer: So you wouldn't necessarily contact you friend who invited you about it?
- 432. **Angela:** yeah if I don't feel it's important information or detail I would just say that I don't know.
- 433. **Interviewer:** And you said it was boring and you left?
- 434. **Angela:** yeah we left.
- 435. **Interviewer:** Was your friend already there when you showed up?
- 436. **Angela:** the friend that invited me? Yes she was there.
- 437. **Interviewer:** Museum you said you would like to with friends?
- 438. **Angela:** I would like to go more often, yeah.
- 439. **Interviewer:** Have you been?
- 440. Angela: yes
- 441. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you've been?
- 442. **Angela:** 3 weeks ago
- 443. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go?
- 444. Angela: my mother's idea
- 445. **Interviewer:** Your mother? She lives here?
- 446. **Angela:** no she lives in Spain but they came here so they like they made a trip and they organized everything so then one day, one specific day we were suppose to go to a museum and we went.
- 447. **Interviewer:** So this was mostly done face to face?
- 448. **Angela:** they did by themselves and she sent me an email telling me how it was going to be the schedule and whatever. And I just agree and we met in the city, I stayed with them in the hotel and we went to it
- 449. **Interviewer:** Was there phone calling involved with meeting up with your family?
- 450. **Angela:** oh yeah, actually yes because they came here to the states. I called them to ask them where were they? They told me they were at the airport or whatever so we were going to meet in the city and so I met with them.
- 451. **Interviewer:** Music, you say you do this with friends and strangers? Like just sit and listen to your ipod or go to a venue?
- 452. **Angela:** yeah with my ipod. Or whatever anytime.
- 453. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went out with friends for music like a venue type thing?
- 454. **Angela:** um, I don't know. I would do that like really often since there is a bar in the campus center, there is music near the pub. So we usually go there.
- 455. **Interviewer:** And how do you all organize getting together for that?
- 456. **Angela:** just face to face, yeah with my suitemates.
- 457. **Interviewer:** Nightclub with friends and strangers. When was the last time you were at a nightclub?
- 458. Angela: uh, 3 weeks ago.
- 459. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was?
- 460. **Angela:** yeah Jessica's idea, my teammate and my friend. It was her birthday she created an event on Facebook and she invited everybody.

- 461. **Interviewer:** So it was her idea and she became the organizer by sending a Facebook event?
- 462. **Angela:** yeah
- 463. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did she plan for this?
- 464. **Angela:** maybe a month. She put all the information on the event so basically it was all sent?
- 465. **Interviewer:** In the Facebook event, did you notice there was a lot more people who you didn't know who were coming?
- 466. **Angela:** who I didn't know? Yeah.
- 467. **Interviewer:** Did you invite other people?
- 468. **Angela:** no, it was her birthday.
- 469. **Interviewer:** I guess it was private or something?
- 470. **Angela:** yeah
- 471. **Interviewer:** I suppose in a way similar to the house party with that Facebook event in terms of coordinating, texting certain people?
- 472. **Angela:** yes
- 473. **Interviewer:** You mention here politics, you'd like to be involved in politics?
- 474. **Angela:** yeah, like in debates.
- 475. **Interviewer:** With friends and with strangers?
- 476. **Angela:** yes
- 477. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to find more about a debate team or something?
- 478. **Angela:** I would ask in the campus center if there is something going on.
- 479. Like a club?
- 480. **Angela:** yeah. And then just like on the Internet I would look on Google.
- 481. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would use any of your social networking websites like Facebook or Tuenti?
- 482. **Angela:** not really, no.
- 483. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 484. Angela: I just don't think I would find it useful like Facebook or Tuenti to find that.
- 485. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 486. **Angela:** no. It's just like, I want more specific details, and I really think that and believe that I'm going to find them on Google either than Facebook. Maybe Facebook it's going to be like, it's going to be about one subject a specific subject. And it's not going to be um, maybe it's going to be someone's idea. I'd rather like if I'm going to a debate I want to know what it's about. I don't what to know like who or what he's like thinking about.
- 487. **Interviewer:** You say here you'd like to do racing with friends and strangers?
- 488. **Angela:** yes.
- 489. **Interviewer:** I guess like go-kart racing?
- 490. **Angela:** yes, all kind.
- 491. Interviewer: Say you decided you were going to go racing, what would be your means of...
- 492. **Angela:** if I would organize that? I would create an event, I would invite all my friends or all my friend that I think would be interested. And through Facebook.
- 493. **Interviewer:** Would you want to organize it or would you rather...?
- 494. **Angela:** yeah I'd want to.
- 495. **Interviewer:** So you'd first go through facebook....
- 496. **Angela:** yes
- 497. **Interviewer:** Create an event, and whoever comes or shows up
- 498. **Angela:** yeah
- 499. **Interviewer:** Even people you don't know, would you make it open invitation or make it closed?
- 500. **Angela:** if it would be like cars racing or whatever, I think it would be a closed one you know, with just my friends.
- 501. **Interviewer:** Reading....
- 502. **Angela:** I do that but I would like to do that more often since I don't have much time.
- 503. **Interviewer:** Reading like in a get together for a book club or such?

- 504. **Angela:** yeah, I would like to. Yeah.
- 505. **Interviewer:** How would you go about finding a reading group?
- 506. **Angela:** something like reading I would ask my Humanities professor, and if she wouldn't know I would ask in the campus center like someone, and if nobody know I'd just google it or I, Facebook asked to some of my friends if they know something about it.
- 507. So your first instinct would be if it seems of an academic nature or an athletic nature where you think there may be a club or something here you would look locally?
- 508. **Angela:** yeah
- 509. **Interviewer:** And if it wasn't then you would maybe ask friends through facebook and then last resort Internet search?
- 510. **Angela:** yes, absolutely.
- 511. **Interviewer:** Shopping, you say here you went shopping with your friends. When was the last time you went shopping?
- 512. **Angela:** this weekend on Saturday.
- 513. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go shopping?
- 514. **Angela:** it was my friends idea she just ask me she's my suitemate and she asked me if I wanted to go shopping I said yes so we went to the city.
- 515. How long was this, the day of?
- 516. **Angela:** it was in the morning and we went at like 2pm.
- 517. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 518. **Angela:** yes face to face.
- 519. **Interviewer:** And did either of you invite other people.
- 520. **Angela:** yeah I invited one of my, I mean I did send a text to two of my friends and they said they didn't want to come but they didn't come.
- 521. **Interviewer:** And what about your friend who had the idea?
- 522. **Angela:** uh, I don't think she did.
- 523. **Interviewer:** So just the two of you?
- 524. **Angela:** yeah
- 525. **Interviewer:** Swimming, you say you would like to swim with friends and strangers?
- 526. **Angela:** yeah I don't care like there's a pool at the gym, so I don't care if there is like strangers right now.
- 527. **Interviewer:** Have you actually been swimming with friends?
- 528. **Angela:** yeah
- 529. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went swimming?
- 530. **Angela:** this morning
- 531. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 532. **Angela:** my coach
- 533. **Interviewer:** Part of the training?
- 534. **Angela:** uh hm.
- 535. **Interviewer:** Assistant coach?
- 536. **Angela:** my assistant coach yeah. She gave us the schedule of the whole month. Like say like 7:45am swimming blah blah pick up on that everyday.
- 537. **Interviewer:** How did she communicate with you all about this?
- 538. **Angela:** she left the schedule. The April schedule so each of us take it from the locker room.
- 539. **Interviewer:** So this was paper?
- 540. **Angela:** yeah
- 541. **Interviewer:** So how far in advance did she put up the schedule?
- 542. **Angela:** for each 10 days she gives a new schedule.
- 543. **Interviewer:** Was there any means or use of communication between that whole scheduling time frame?
- 544. **Angela:** yesterday on Monday's practice? Yeah after Monday's practice the coach told us that we had to take the schedule that was in the locker room.
- 545. **Interviewer:** And this was face to face?
- 546. **Angela:** face to face, yeah.

- 547. **Interviewer:** Traveling, you would like to go traveling with friends and strangers?
- 548. **Angela:** uh hm.
- 549. **Interviewer:** Can you recall a long distance trip you went on with friends?
- 550. **Angela:** with friends? I mean I travel with my teammates but it's for basketball. Is that considered for travel?
- 551. **Interviewer:** Is that organized mostly by the coach to meet at a time, does the coach use texting or anything?
- 552. **Angela:** yeah texting.
- 553. **Interviewer:** Any phone calling?
- 554. **Angela:** no, she usually just use text.
- 555. **Interviewer:** Can you think of one where it was a leisure trip?
- 556. **Angela:** yeah, last summer I went with my friends to an island. And we created an event on Tuenti. And she did it. And because she's from the island Canary Island. So she invited all the people that she wanted to bring to Canary.
- 557. **Interviewer:** And this is when you were in Spain?
- 558. **Angela:** yeah in Spain. So we uh she put all the details on the event like dates and everything. So we bought the tickets.
- 559. **Interviewer:** Are you able to access Tuenti on here?
- 560. **Angela:** yeah
- 561. **Angela:** this is Tuenti.
- 562. **Interviewer:** Wow it looks very similar to Facebook!
- 563. **Angela:** yeah. That's the chat and for example I have 13 events. And I have the new one to go to the Canary Islands this summer?
- 564. **Interviewer:** Oh this is a reoccurring one?
- 565. **Angela:** yeah
- 566. **Interviewer:** This is something organized by your friend?
- 567. **Angela:** yeah. So it's just like the event, like all the people who are going to go are my friends. People come in here to like fix the dates. And then there's the description.
- 568. **Interviewer:** Fix the dates meaning?
- 569. **Angela:** meaning I want to go I want to go back.
- 570. **Interviewer:** So the decision is on what time and what day done here on this thread?
- 571. **Angela:** it s a decision like um, in order to buy the tickets like for when.
- 572. **Interviewer:** So your friend who has the idea will post this....
- 573. **Angela:** yes because my friend is from the Canary Island. So she post it, she invite us. And she ask us to go between July and August, the first days of August. So we have to decide because all of us are from Madrid the capital of Spain, so we have to decide what days we're gonna go in order to buy the tickets.
- 574. **Interviewer:** Are you trying to organize going all on the same day or...
- 575. **Angela:** yes, absolutely.
- 576. **Interviewer:** So people will post their availability on there?
- 577. **Angela:** yes
- 578. **Interviewer:** And then your friend will look at all of that and post a decision for the day?
- 579. **Angela:** yeah my friend doesn't' really care about that it's like between us.
- 580. **Interviewer:** How many people?
- 581. **Angela:** 12
- 582. **Interviewer:** So among 12 people and since it's her idea she tries to organize a day best for everyone?
- 583. **Angela:** yeah
- 584. **Interviewer:** So she actually doesn't mind going through that process of looking through 12 and making that decision?
- 585. **Angela:** na ah.
- 586. **Interviewer:** How early does she post this?
- 587. **Angela:** she posted that on April 6 so basically 6 days ago.
- 588. **Interviewer:** Ok so about 3 months in advance she's trying to organize this among 12 people.
- 589. Angela: yeah

- 590. **Interviewer:** And so far is she still waiting for feedback from people?
- 591. **Angela:** yeah because we don't have the exact dates.
- 592. **Interviewer:** And say if there are some people who have not posted, do you know if she will contact them?
- 593. **Angela:** no. Like she really don't care that much. She puts in the house and she says you can come whenever you want. Like she's not going to go through all the process of like, 'are you going to go? Are you going to do that? Blah blah blah.'
- 594. **Interviewer:** Ok so she'll say this is the day where we should all go. If you want to go you buy your own ticket and then....
- 595. **Angela:** yeah I'll meet you there.
- 596. **Interviewer:** So she doesn't collect money. She says these are the days people are coming so if you can come then come?
- 597. Angela: yeah
- 598. **Interviewer:** You say with strangers so meaning that you don't mind if strangers are around or you don't mind going on a trip with strangers?
- 599. **Angela:** meaning that if she invites someone that I don't know I don't care.
- 600. **Interviewer:** But it would have to be a trip where you know people?
- 601. **Angela:** yeah absolutely
- 602. **Interviewer:** Lifting, you say here you lift with friends. This is for basketball?
- 603. **Angela:** yeah basketball.
- 604. **Interviewer:** And this is with teammates?
- 605. **Angela:** yeah teammates.
- 606. Interviewer: And do you all coordinate getting together?
- 607. **Angela:** it's my coach so we get the schedule.
- 608. **Interviewer:** So when you go do you coordinate with your teammates/friends?
- 609. **Angela:** ah no
- 610. **Interviewer:** You just know you show up and they'll be there.
- 611. **Angela:** yeah we have to.
- 612. **Interviewer:** So you don't need to Facebook them or call or anything?
- 613. **Angela:** yeah I don't have to.

### **Figure B.2** Interview with Subject 2.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Lawrence:** I'll be graduating this semester
- 3. **Interviewer:** A graduate student?
- 4. **Lawrence:** yeah MS.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What's your major?
- 6. **Lawrence:** Information Systems
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. **Lawrence:** ah I work as a instructor for middle school programs.
- 9. **Interviewer:** What?
- 10. **Lawrence:** instructor of chemistry.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Like a TA?
- 12. **Lawrence:** yeah like a TA.
- 13. **Interviewer:** In IS or something else?
- 14. **Lawrence:** no I teach physics and chemistry
- 15. **Interviewer:** Interesting?
- 16. Lawrence: it's on Saturdays
- 17. **Interviewer:** College level?
- 18. **Lawrence:** yeah college level is plus 1 plus 2 before they take the prep exam.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Oh preparation for college?
- 20. Lawrence: yes
- 21. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 22. Lawrence: I live on campus
- 23. **Interviewer:** How long is your commute?
- 24. **Lawrence:** it takes probably 30 to 40 minutes depending on the speed yeah.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Do you take public transportation?
- 26. **Lawrence:** ah sometimes but if it's snowing or something like that. Otherwise I come by walk.
- 27. **Interviewer:** So 30-40 minutes walking?
- 28. Lawrence: yeah
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates or family?
- 30. **Lawrence:** yeah I live with roommates.
- 31. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 32. Lawrence: 4
- 33. **Interviewer:** Other than you so a total of 5?
- 34. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites?
- 36. **Lawrence:** Facebook, Orkut, and Twitter sometimes, recently.
- 37. **Interviewer:** How often do you use Facebook?
- 38. **Lawrence:** Facebook almost everyday. Frequently or so so, when you want me for cricket or something like that. Frequency gets increased actually.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Orkut, how often?
- 40. **Lawrence:** regularly, everyday.
- 41. **Interviewer:** And the other one you mentioned?
- 42. **Lawrence:** twitter
- 43. **Interviewer:** How often do you use twitter?
- 44. **Lawrence:** rarely actually, but um, now I'm since um, a lot of companies are using twitter to job hunt and that stuff so now I...
- 45. **Interviewer:** Do you go on twitter to just check up on them or you go on there to put your status?
- 46. **Lawrence:** yeah like I created an account quite a few months back but I'm I don't know, I don't have much use for it. But Facebook and Orkut I access it regularly.
- 47. **Interviewer:** How many times a day would you say?
- 48. **Lawrence:** about 10-12 times. But the frequency is less mean to say I log in 5-10 minutes.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Short session?
- 50. Lawrence: yeah

- 51. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 52. **Lawrence:** no, no applications.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Do you have a lot of free time during school?
- 54. **Lawrence:** uh, this is quite free actually. Yeah.
- 55. **Interviewer:** So what do you usually do on your free time?
- 56. **Lawrence:** um, I'm basically now since I'm graduating busy searching for jobs whatever. Previous to that I had a work job on campus so I was busy at that time.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Is there anything else you do?
- 58. **Lawrence:** recently I went on the Las Vegas trip. So this week I'm just trying to go to Branch Brook Park this Sunday for the festival. Usually weekends watching movies, keeping up with the friends.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 60. **Lawrence:** ah, not exactly but I'd like to. Since I teach physics and chemistry I would like to work for the Newark charter school system or something like that.
- 61. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 62. **Lawrence:** ah, favorite activities not exactly. It's ok but I just come to campus to do my job and then attend school.
- 63. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did badminton?
- 64. **Lawrence:** badminton? Like Monday. I usually play it on Monday.
- 65. **Interviewer:** This Monday of this week?
- 66. **Lawrence:** ah yeah.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go play badminton?
- 68. **Lawrence:** ah actually um, this one roommate by name Barat, he actually plays regularly. One of my roommates goes to gym and plays regularly. But sometimes I'll join them. It's like I'm, usually they book the courts and sign the courts and I usually go and play with them.
- 69. **Interviewer:** They can book the courts?
- 70. **Lawrence:** yeah they can book them in advance.
- 71. **Interviewer:** As long as they are not being used by the school athletic teams?
- 72. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 73. **Interviewer:** How many times a week your friends go?
- 74. **Lawrence:** they play almost everyday like except on Saturdays and Sundays.
- 75. **Interviewer:** So when you go what's the process that happens?
- 76. **Lawrence:** ah so usually they will have a, um take the racquets. Book the court and everything and stuff. So my job is to just take the racquet from the game room and play we usually....
- 77. **Interviewer:** Game room?
- 78. **Lawrence:** the place in front of the athletic center.
- 79. **Interviewer:** You mean the front desk?
- 80. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 81. **Interviewer:** So who contacts you?
- 82. **Lawrence:** it's a decision with my roommates actually.
- 83. **Interviewer:** So this is discussed face to face?
- 84. **Lawrence:** yeah discussed face to face.
- 85. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance do you guys plan to go?
- 86. **Lawrence:** ah, suppose if we decide to play this evening. We plan to set sometime because one of my friends he comes to school early so...
- 87. **Interviewer:** So this time when you went Monday, when did your friend first contact you about coming to play badminton on Monday?
- 88. **Lawrence:** ah he just um, my roommate say that today we're planning so it was at 8:30 in the morning.
- 89. **Interviewer:** So 8:30 in the morning he talked to you face to face about we're going to play badminton do you want to come?
- 90. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 91. **Interviewer:** And you agreed to go?
- 92. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 93. **Interviewer:** Did he communicate with you at all throughout that day on Monday?

- 94. **Lawrence:** he did say that we are playing and that I'll reserve a court for you. And um, one of my friends the other roommate he just called me around 4 o'clock the court is ready so you can come over and join us.
- 95. **Interviewer:** So 8:30am your friend talks to you face to face about it. 4pm a friend calls you and what does he tell you?
- 96. **Lawrence:** the court is ready, you can come and play anytime.
- 97. **Interviewer:** And you didn't do any reaching out or contacting, they did all of it?
- 98. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 99. **Interviewer:** So you showed up and they were already there?
- 100. Lawrence: yeah
- 101. **Interviewer:** What time did you come?
- 102. Lawrence: I came around 4:30.
- 103. **Interviewer:** When you got there how many people were there playing?
- 104. **Lawrence:** there was some um, I think there was like another 4-5 people in another court. They were playing doubles matches.
- 105. **Interviewer:** How many total? 6, 7, 8 people there?
- 106. Lawrence: yes I guess so.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Do you know those people who are playing?
- 108. **Lawrence:** recently some people I meet on a more frequently basis. So more like casual acquaintances or something like that.
- 109. **Interviewer:** The other people who were there were they invited by your friends?
- 110. **Lawrence:** no no, they were not invited.
- 111. **Interviewer:** Do you know how they found out there was going to be badminton?
- 112. **Lawrence:** some people come and play on a regular basis from 4-6.
- 113. **Interviewer:** Concert, when was the last time you were at a concert?
- 114. **Lawrence:** concert um, probably like a lot of weeks back actually. There was one concert at NJPAC so it was the last one.
- 115. **Interviewer:** What was it?
- 116. Lawrence: it was a concert of the Sitar.
- 117. **Interviewer:** I've heard of that one, It was through GSA?
- 118. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 119. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the concert?
- 120. Lawrence: uh it was through the GSA listserver.
- 121. **Interviewer:** What did the email tell you?
- 122. **Lawrence:** you need to sign up for the concert.
- 123. **Interviewer:** How do you sign up?
- 124. **Lawrence:** usually before uh, suppose you have the concert on Saturday or something like that. You need to book it in 2 weeks or 1 week in advance. And depending on your booking slot if you booked it quite sooner you get a slot to purchase a ticket. If you book it quite late then....
- 125. **Interviewer:** You purchase it through GSA or NJPAC?
- 126. Lawrence: through GSA
- 127. **Interviewer:** So when you say signing in you have to go on the website and login?
- 128. **Lawrence:** yeah, there's a specific time on the day that you're to register.
- 129. **Interviewer:** After you register does that mean you are guaranteed the ticket?
- 130. Lawrence: no no no
- 131. **Interviewer:** So they select who.....
- 132. **Lawrence:** first come first serve yes.
- 133. **Interviewer:** So how did they contact you that you were selected?
- 134. **Lawrence:** ah they just um, Hashesh told and called me.
- 135. **Interviewer:** So you know him personally?
- 136. **Lawrence:** yeah I know him personally, yeah.
- 137. **Interviewer:** So he called you on the phone?
- 138. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 139. **Interviewer:** Did he tell you when you can come in and pick them up?
- 140. Lawrence: ah no he just told me that the tickets will be available on such and such a date and.....

- 141. **Interviewer:** You just show up?
- 142. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 143. **Interviewer:** How much time between him telling you you got a ticket up to the event how much time was that?
- 144. **Lawrence:** probably a week or so I guess.
- 145. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means of communication?
- 146. **Lawrence:** yeah I have his cell phone number so tomorrow he'll be available in the GSA office.
- 147. **Interviewer:** So if you had any questions or whatever you'd contact him by phone?
- 148. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 149. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means like Orkut or Facebook?
- 150. Lawrence: no exactly because he had sent an RSVP on Facebook for upcoming events.
- 151. **Interviewer:** You signed up for that?
- 152. **Lawrence:** yeah I signed up for that.
- 153. **Interviewer:** Is that how you first found out about the tickets?
- 154. **Lawrence:** no it was actually you have one by GSA listserver, the other is on Facebook so I don't know which one comes first but usually GSA websites um they keep updating very late. So I think um, Facebook is more accurate sometimes. Because everyone uses Facebook for different purposes so it's not necessarily that they want to be contacted because contacted for....
- 155. **Interviewer:** What purposes do you use Facebook?
- 156. **Lawrence:** maybe to remain in touch with my old friends. And um, recently I started using um Facebook for reviewing company research.
- 157. **Interviewer:** Companies have profiles?
- 158. **Lawrence:** yeah exactly.
- 159. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on your facebook how you...
- 160. Lawrence: yeah sure
- 161. **Interviewer:** So show me how you can find these companies.
- 162. <showing how to find company profiles on Facebook>
- 163. **Interviewer:** Now you knew to type in for Accenture so do you go somewhere to find a list of companies on Facebook?
- 164. **Lawrence:** no I just pick it randomly because um, they use as far as help from CDS a lot of people are using facebook to find an information and also I just have a list of companies and put them in randomly....
- 165. **Interviewer:** So companies you saw at job fairs you look up on Facebook?
- 166. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 167. **Interviewer:** So you don't go to Facebook to look for a list of companies but just see if they exist on there.
- 168. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 169. **Interviewer:** Any other uses for Facebook?
- 170. **Lawrence:** Facebook um. One thing I would like to is um, reconnecting with friends, researching this carrier service and such?
- 171. **Interviewer:** Carrier?
- 172. **Lawrence:** carrier prospect job, job hunt. It also have some kind of forums and all that like Photography and...
- 173. **Interviewer:** Posting photographs in your profile?
- 174. **Lawrence:** yeah. And also if you're a developed photographer or something like that and uh, you have something like created a club or community and where you can exchange a lot of ideas. So it helps you actually a lot, you can go into the profile and seeing a lot of stuff.
- 175. **Interviewer:** So you use it for keeping in touch with friends?
- 176. Lawrence: yes
- 177. **Interviewer:** searching for companies?
- 178. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 179. **Interviewer:** And you create your own groups on here to?
- 180. Lawrence: uh no I don't create any groups.
- 181. **Interviewer:** But you post your own photos on here?
- 182. **Lawrence:**yeah sometimes. Not often actually but sometimes. Because Facebook is not so private as Orkut. It's scoope is uh, I mean to say it's not so private.

- 183. **Interviewer:** Facebook?
- 184. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 185. **Interviewer:** And why's that?
- 186. **Lawrence:** because any chance that anyone has tagged you, they can be able to see all your photo even if they're not your friend.
- 187. Interviewer: So they can put any name about you and access?
- 188. **Lawrence:** actually suppose um, imagine I send you a request and I accept you as a friend. And you post my pictures on your profile and you tag my name. By chance I have a friend of me, but he's not a friend of you just a friend of my. He access my account and he looks at my photos. So he looks my photos and where you are tagged he can then look at your photos. So it's not so....
- 189. **Interviewer:** Private because you can go to other people's photos without being their friends?
- 190. Lawrence: yeah but Orkut is actually quite strong in that defense. It's um, privacy is more strong.
- 191. **Interviewer:** So what do you use Orkut for?
- 192. **Lawrence:** Orkut is actually popular in India more than Facebook. So a lot of my friends still use Orkut because Facebook has a lot of to do with catching in India.
- 193. **Interviewer:** So you use it because many of your friends use it?
- 194. **Lawrence:** yeah and more so people in India you can create a lot more communities in the index and a lot of stuff so, a majority of companies discuss a lot on Orkut more than Facebook.
- 195. **Interviewer:** Which do you prefer?
- 196. **Lawrence:** recently I think Facebook has improved a lot. Especially its user friendly. Orkut is more static. It's good but it's not keeping in pace with advances actually.
- 197. **Interviewer:** Such as applications and games?
- 198. **Lawrence:** exactly and moreso Facebook gaming, has game features. Orkut doesn't have any game features. It was good easily but...
- 199. **Interviewer:** Hasn't really advanced much.
- 200. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 201. **Interviewer:** So the concert you showed up, got your ticket from Hashesh, and went to the show?
- 202. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 203. **Interviewer:** And there wasn't anything other than the phone call, if you needed information you called him?
- 204. Lawrence: yes
- 205. **Interviewer:** Did he ever call you or contact you?
- 206. **Lawrence:** yeah he usually contacts me like if I need to purchase the ticket or something like that.
- 207. **Interviewer:** Like how does he contact you?
- 208. **Lawrence:** ah through phone that's it.
- 209. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining out?
- 210. Lawrence: um recently like last weekend in Jersey City.
- 211. **Interviewer:** Can you describe how that got started?
- 212. **Lawrence:** actually we had to go out for shopping, for grocery stuff. So it actually quite late, it was around 8:45 evening. We thought if we come home and start cooking it will probably take like 10:50 or 11. So we just thought like it's been a long time since um, why not have a just casual food in the restaurant.
- 213. **Interviewer:** How many of you were together?
- 214. Lawrence: like 4 people
- 215. **Interviewer:** So initially you all went shopping for groceries and since it was late you all decided face to face lets go out and eat.
- 216. Lawrence: yes
- 217. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 218. **Lawrence:** it was mine actually. So because we had to take the Path train come to Harrison and then walk all the way back home. We don't have the patience to go half the time because it was late.
- 219. **Interviewer:** Where were you at the time you talked about getting dinner?
- 220. Lawrence: Jersey City.
- 221. **Interviewer:** Was the plan to take your groceries with you to the restaurant?
- 222. **Lawrence:** no actually privately we thought at first we'll shop for the groceries then come back home. But since we left the home late, there was some mismanagement of the time....

- 223. **Interviewer:** So you didn't even go grocery shopping?
- 224. **Lawrence:** we went grocery shopping. Then we just took them, took them in the restaurant, had lunch and dinner then came back.
- 225. **Interviewer:** So you brought the groceries with you to the restaurant?
- 226. **Lawrence:** yeah exactly, yeah.
- 227. **Interviewer:** So it was your idea and there was 4 of you. When you mentioned hey lets go eat and go out, were you the one offering making decisions about going somewhere?
- 228. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 229. **Interviewer:** Was there any polling; people putting ideas together?
- 230. **Lawrence:** yeah they just give the preferences for the restaurant because Jersey City has a lot of restaurants and they just say why not try this, why not try that. Finally we went to a new restaurant we hadn't tried.
- 231. **Interviewer:** Were you the first to offer a place to eat?
- 232. **Lawrence:** uh actually the main restaurant I mentioned 3 restaurants I already knew but instead we went to a brand new restaurant that we hadn't tried.
- 233. **Interviewer:** The other 3 people, did they offer any suggestions of a place to eat?
- 234. **Lawrence:** yeah they just offered because one of my friends is more versed in restaurants. But this time we decided to try a restaurant that we never tried before.
- 235. **Interviewer:** So who suggested this new restaurant?
- 236. **Lawrence:** no we just seen ....
- 237. Interviewer: You saw it?
- 238. **Lawrence:** yeah we just saw it....
- 239. **Interviewer:** So you walked around a little bit?
- 240. **Lawrence:** yeah and we just saw because that restaurant had appeared that it was nearly constructed
- 241. **Interviewer:** So you guys didn't pull out your phones and surf the web?
- 242. **Lawrence:** no we didn't do it.
- 243. **Interviewer:** So purely face to face?
- 244. Lawrence: yeah face to face
- 245. **Interviewer:** So people had suggestions as you walked around and you then came upon this restaurant. Were any people hesistant about it?
- 246. **Lawrence:** people were not hesitant actually, they just said um, why not try this one. We were walking sometime and we decided why not try a new place this time.
- 247. **Interviewer:** And also because at least one person in your group or more was familiar with the area.
- 248. Lawrence: yeah exactly
- 249. **Interviewer:** So you didn't need to take out your phone?
- 250. **Lawrence:** we actually did that in Washington DC when we went on the GSA trip because it was not quite familiar to everyone complete. So we used our iphone to search for places.
- 251. **Interviewer:** Were you with someone who pulled out their iphone?
- 252. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 253. **Interviewer:** Were you able to see what they were doing?
- 254. **Lawrence:** um I just know that they would search for restaurants by local cuisine or something.
- 255. **Interviewer:** Did they go on the internet or did they use a mobile application?
- 256. **Lawrence:** I'm not sure
- 257. **Interviewer:** Were they able to map it?
- 258. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 259. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played cricket?
- 260. **Lawrence:** uh cricket it's like we play quite often, so....
- 261. **Interviewer:** It's a regular routine?
- 262. **Lawrence:** yeah just we play for recreational purposes that's it.
- 263. **Interviewer:** How long have you been playing with this particular group?
- 264. **Lawrence:** uh it's been close to a year.
- 265. **Interviewer:** So about a year on somewhat on a regular basis once a week?
- 266. Lawrence: yes
- 267. **Interviewer:** On the same day or different days?

- 268. Lawrence: no it's very random. If we feel like playing we play it.
- 269. **Interviewer:** Do you remember how you were introduced to playing cricket with this group?
- 270. **Lawrence:** yeah actually do you know orientation?
- 271. **Interviewer:** yeah
- 272. **Lawrence:** I remember the exact moment. I was waiting in line to get my NJIT id card. And we were speaking our local language from India and suddenly someone spoke to us in our local language. So we build our acquaintance actually and in terms it expands our relationships.
- 273. **Interviewer:** So you were in line talking to some people. Were they friends of yours or people you just met?
- 274. **Lawrence:** it was accidental. We were taking id cards and I casually met someone and we just started asking which state are you, what's your language, what's your mother tongue. So I just was speaking in **Interviewer:** my local language and suddenly this friend a close friend of mine came into the conversation. And so that's how.
- 275. **Interviewer:** And so someone mentioned something about cricket?
- 276. Lawrence: cricket yeah, that's the only game that's quite popular in India.
- 277. **Interviewer:** So you found out about a group that gets together for cricket from orientation?
- 278. Lawrence: yes
- 279. **Interviewer:** So you mentioned someone you heard speaking your native tongue?
- 280. Lawrence: yes
- 281. **Interviewer:** You went to them or they came to you?
- 282. Lawrence: they came to us
- 283. **Interviewer:** And there was a group of you already speaking your native tongue?
- 284. **Lawrence:** yes exactly.
- 285. **Interviewer:** And those people you had just met at orientation?
- 286. Lawrence: exactly it was just a few hours back.
- 287. **Interviewer:** Because you could hear that they were speaking in your language?
- 288. Lawrence: yes
- 289. **Interviewer:** So at what point was this discussion about getting together for cricket started?
- 290. **Lawrence:** see actually um, we just thought um what exactly we could do on weekends because it's like a first scenario you do in the US. So um we just thought why not because we usually play every weekend so why not play it every weekend.
- 291. **Interviewer:** So the times you routinely get together for cricket is it usually one person who organizes it?
- 292. **Lawrence:** it's not exactly one person because it depends on the routing of the scheduling actually. All of us are different majors so we have different assignments and works to be done. So uh it's more about how exactly you're free on a particular day.
- 293. **Interviewer:** The coordination?
- 294. Lawrence: exactly
- 295. **Interviewer:** That's what I'm curious about. What the process involved?
- 296. **Lawrence:** coordination is basically that every Monday everyone is busy so we try on Tuesday or Wednesday we have a casual chat about what are you doing this weekend? Have casual chat over dinner or stuff. Then they say that um probably this Saturday I have some stuff and I'll be from 3pm to 6pm. So then we'll discuss are you free during that time or what we can do so basically its during that time we plan on the weekend what we're going to do. So it's more in the middle of the week or beginning of the week.
- 297. Interviewer: So it takes about a week to plan?
- 298. **Lawrence:** yeah but like 3-4 days.
- 299. **Interviewer:** And this is usually done face to face?
- 300. **Lawrence:** yeah face to face
- 301. **Interviewer:** How do you all organizing meeting face to face? You meet somewhere?
- 302. **Lawrence:** yeah we meet at Campus Center.
- 303. **Interviewer:** On a certain day at a certain time?
- 304. **Lawrence:** it's probably um. We typically meet everyday at the Taco Bell in the Campus Center at 2pm.
- 305. **Interviewer:** So you all after a routine just know, what day?
- 306. **Lawrence:** Tuesday

- 307. **Interviewer:** So Tuesday at 2pm you know regardless of what happens to go and expect to see some people?
- 308. Lawrence: some people, exactly.
- 309. **Interviewer:** But not everyone is there?
- 310. **Lawrence:** yes exactly.
- 311. **Interviewer:** When things come up does somebody contact somebody that they can't make it?
- 312. **Lawrence:** yeah usually um, they say but if they can't meet right away. Otherwise they say probably I'll give you a call around Thursday or Friday, I'll let you know of the plans.
- 313. **Interviewer:** For the cricket match?
- 314. **Lawrence:** yeah for the cricket match.
- 315. **Interviewer:** About this meeting at Taco Bell at 2pm on Tuesday.
- 316. **Lawrence:** it's like a court ritual, do it regularly.
- 317. **Interviewer:** So when it happens when people who are usually there aren't there, does someone contact them?
- 318. **Lawrence:** no we usually contact them.
- 319. **Interviewer:** And how do you contact them?
- 320. **Lawrence:** through phone, through mobile.
- 321. **Interviewer:** And then you all have lunch and then leave?
- 322. Lawrence: yes
- 323. **Interviewer:** One at a time or all together?
- 324. Lawrence: ah, previously it was like around 6 people.
- 325. **Interviewer:** Is there any complications in getting together at Taco Bell at 2pm?
- 326. **Lawrence:** ah complications, just the schedule. I guess it's the schedule of the particular date. So if they are busy or have deadlines probably they'll keep busy with the lab stuff, otherwise no problem.
- 327. **Interviewer:** Would you want to be notified as to reasons why people who usually meet there don't?
- 328. **Lawrence:** yes
- 329. **Interviewer:** So some kind of device where you wouldn't have to call them up but some device that lets you know why they're not there.
- 330. **Lawrence:** ah, probably.
- 331. **Interviewer:** Would that be important for you to know or not important?
- 332. **Lawrence:** ah, it's not actually important. But ah if you're making a calculated plan to go somewhere then that time it is important.
- 333. Because Tuesdays is just to eat?
- 334. **Lawrence:** yeah it's not like a big deal but sometimes occasionally it becomes a good time to talk about things sometimes.
- 335. **Interviewer:** So usually Tuesdays meeting at Taco Bell you discuss about who's free for weekend cricket?
- 336. Lawrence: yes
- 337. **Interviewer:** So from that time Tuesday to Saturday is there any other means of coordination to coordinate?
- 338. **Lawrence:** um, just like we assume everyone will come, but if they don't turn up we just ask them to give us a call on Thursday or Friday to let us know what's your plans.
- 339. **Interviewer:** So Tuesday you're saying this day this time meet for cricket?
- 340. Lawrence: yes
- 341. **Interviewer:** If anything comes up you contact?
- 342. Lawrence: yes
- 343. **Interviewer:** Do they contact one person or the whole group?
- 344. **Lawrence:** it can be anyone actually. They can contact any person whom they wish so that they can just convey the information.
- 345. **Interviewer:** So they just contact anybody?
- 346. **Lawrence:** anybody yeah.
- 347. **Interviewer:** So they contact who's going and tells them I can't make it and why?
- 348. Lawrence: yes
- 349. **Interviewer:** Do you feel there's any complication involved with that?
- 350. **Lawrence:** um, I would like to say that probably if there is any vehicle in the future so any, like for a group of friends a common application that can run on a mobile so that they can just coordinate in

- respect to uh, what I meant to say. Their interest and to know what days they are available because we don't want to wait to the last minute what is happening.
- 351. **Interviewer:** So a tool were you can all go to and see the status of everyone.
- 352. Lawrence: yeah actually Google has a status message Gtalk has a status message.
- 353. **Interviewer:** Gtalk is like the instant messaging?
- 354. **Lawrence:** no Gmail if you open up Gmail on the left hand. Now actually Gmail is closer to twitter where you can follow a person based on a status message. So that's actually um keeps you updated. Also some status message weigh from person to person on a casual basis. Usually it will be something informative, that's what I feel. Usually Facebook and everything has an option of operating status messages.
- 355. **Interviewer:** So times when you fall short of people for playing cricket, do you go to an area where there's other people maybe playing cricket?
- 356. **Lawrence:** uh cricket. It just happen in India not here actually because here people rarely play cricket but India it's like uh....
- 357. Interviewer: Lets say in India, would you go through the same process of face to face with friends?
- 358. **Lawrence:** yeah because there actually the cities are smaller. Here what I feel from a personal perspective from US and here is there's more interaction among neighbors in India, more like a community. They just need to foster friendships and moreso if you cross one block you see people playing cricket.
- 359. **Interviewer:** So say in India you showed up and some people were missing. Would you guys have mobile phone to call people?
- 360. **Lawrence:** yeah we usually call by mobile phones but there you find a lot of people who are always in to cricket play any part of the day.
- 361. **Interviewer:** So when you're short of people you ask them?
- 362. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 363. **Interviewer:** Jogging, do you jog alone?
- 364. **Lawrence:** ah yeah but jogging means it's a combination of walking plus jogging. In the morning 6 o'clock I just take a walk in Kearny park or something like that.
- 365. **Interviewer:** And that's something you usually like to do alone?
- 366. **Lawrence:** yes
- 367. **Interviewer:** Movie watching, when was the last time you went movie watching?
- 368. **Lawrence:** Clash of Titans. A couple of weeks.
- 369. **Interviewer:** So two weeks back?
- 370. **Lawrence:** three weeks back we saw How to Tame your Dragon.
- 371. **Interviewer:** So three weeks back you saw How to Tame your Dragon and then two weeks back you saw Clash of the Titans.
- 372. Lawrence: yeah
- 373. **Interviewer:** About How you Tame your Dragon, how far in advance did you all plan to see this movie?
- 374. Lawrence: that was actually quite two weeks back
- 375. **Interviewer:** Two weeks before seeing it?
- 376. **Lawrence:** yeah because we checked the videos on youtube and we thought it was quite fascinating actually because it was in 3D IMAX. So we thought we must watch it at any cost.
- 377. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to see the movie?
- 378. **Lawrence:** one of my roommates, because he's more into movies and all that stuff. So he watches a lot of animated movies, so we check with him before we go to any of those movies.
- 379. **Interviewer:** So how did he communicate to you about going?
- 380. **Lawrence:** we were taking a casual dinner on some weekday I don't remember, and he said this is a really good movie to be released on 1 or 2 weeks.
- 381. **Interviewer:** So it was you, him, and anyone else for this dinner?
- 382. **Lawrence:** we usually um one of my friends has a night class so he usually comes at 9:15. Usually sometimes we wait for him, other times we start at 8:45.
- 383. **Interviewer:** So at the dinner table he'll talk about the movie?
- 384. Lawrence: yeah

- 385. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 386. **Lawrence:** yeah face to face
- 387. **Interviewer:** Your friend who has the idea, does he organize?
- 388. **Lawrence:** ah yeah, he organizes. He takes a lot of initiative he books auto tickets well in advance, auto booking. Actually he's quite a movie freak. So, especially for animated movies.
- 389. **Interviewer:** Did he invite more people or did you invite more people?
- 390. **Lawrence:** yeah actually we invited a lot of people actually but sadly they didn't turn up actually. We just called up a couple of friends who stay in Kearny so we just told them and if they'd like to join us. But sadly they had some other obligations that day so they couldn't join us.
- 391. **Interviewer:** So the time you had the dinner at the table, how long before you all started calling people?
- 392. **Lawrence:** he my friend suggested that we watch a movie and um, it was planned that we would go on this particular weekend. And then before going lets say we try to go on Sunday, the movie, we try calling our friends or sometime like on Wednesday about we're going to see a movie on the weekend would you like to join us?
- 393. **Interviewer:** And when was this dinner talk?
- 394. Lawrence: it was like a week before.
- 395. **Interviewer:** On a Sunday or Monday?
- 396. **Lawrence:** Monday I guess. Yeah, because the movie wasn't released. We were just watching the video on youtube.
- 397. **Interviewer:** Through trailers?
- 398. **Lawrence:** yeah trailers.
- 399. **Interviewer:** So you were planning to try to see it on opening day?
- 400. **Lawrence:** ah yeah but on Fridays we usually have some work stuff.
- 401. **Interviewer:** So over the course of two weeks you called friends.
- 402. Lawrence: yes
- 403. **Interviewer:** Did you use any other means like facebook, orkut, texting, twiting?
- 404. Lawrence: no, just calling.
- 405. **Interviewer:** Was there any complications involved in the calling like making a lot of phone calls that felt like a chore?
- 406. **Lawrence:** ah no we just told one person in the specific house and converse to your friends that we are planning to go to a movie this weekend so um, let us know you plans and just give us a call when you are free so we can plan accordingly.
- 407. **Interviewer:** So you didn't have to keep calling back or anything?
- 408. **Lawrence:** yeah because he said that 'since all my roommates have something to do this weekend probably we won't be able to join you.'
- 409. **Interviewer:** About the people who you said in the end there were less people who were invited. Were there some who stated they were interested but then later on had to cancel?
- 410. Lawrence: no
- 411. **Interviewer:** So when going to see it, was it you and your roommate?
- 412. Lawrence: yeah
- 413. **Interviewer:** You two?
- 414. Lawrence: no 4 people actually. Myself, my roommate, and the other people in the house.
- 415. **Interviewer:** For the other people in the house, how was that communicated? Face to face?
- 416. Lawrence: face to face yeah. We just say that we plan to go on Sunday it's a very good movie.
- 417. **Interviewer:** The day of, did you all have to use any kinds of technology to communicate?
- 418. **Lawrence:** not exactly technologies but um we watched the trailers on youtube which is more of the reason we wanted to watch the movie.
- 419. **Interviewer:** So you all met in one place and then went over there?
- 420. **Lawrence:** we left from our house place.
- 421. **Interviewer:** You went together?
- 422. Lawrence: yeah together.
- 423. **Interviewer:** How was it decided about Clash of the Titans? Did you decide that before going to see How to Tame your Dragon or after?
- 424. **Lawrence:** actually we decided to watch it after How to Tame your Dragon.
- 425. **Interviewer:** The Clash of the Titans was a week later?

- 426. Lawrence: yes exactly a week later.
- 427. **Interviewer:** So after seeing How to Tame your Dragon did you start immediately talking about Clash of the Titans.
- 428. Lawrence: no
- 429. **Interviewer:** That was later?
- 430. **Lawrence:** yes that was later.
- 431. **Interviewer:** Was it the same process of being discussed over dinner?
- 432. **Lawrence:** not exactly dinner. One of my friend told that this is a movie coming up so he said he's going to watch this Friday but we said that we are unable to join you because we have work on Friday. So we said we'd be going on Sunday. He said fine ok you can carry on on Sunday.
- 433. **Interviewer:** So this is a friend who told you about this?
- 434. **Lawrence:** yes, it was more like a facebook status update stating Clash of the Titans but it could be made more beautiful, which prompted us to call him.
- 435. **Interviewer:** So you saw it on your friends Facebook status and called him on the phone for more details?
- 436. Lawrence: yeah. He said it is ok but don't have such high expectations of that movie.
- 437. **Interviewer:** So you and your friend the same one you went to see....
- 438. Lawrence: yeah the same group that watched How to Tame your Dragon.
- 439. And did you also go through the process of calling friends to see if they were interested?
- 440. **Lawrence:** yeah we just call them but...
- 441. **Interviewer:** Still just your group?
- 442. Lawrence: yeah
- 443. **Interviewer:** Temple, when was the last time you were at Temple?
- 444. Lawrence: ah Temple. We make it a point to visit Temple every Sunday evening.
- 445. **Interviewer:** How many of you usually go?
- 446. **Lawrence:** a lot of people go.
- 447. **Interviewer:** A lot?
- 448. **Lawrence:** a lot like probably 20 or 30.
- 449. **Interviewer:** Together?
- 450. **Lawrence:** not together
- 451. **Interviewer:** Or who are there?
- 452. **Lawrence:** yeah we usually meet all those people there.
- 453. **Interviewer:** How many do you go with? Do you go by yourself or with a group of people?
- 454. **Lawrence:** it's actually quite random because the temple opens about 60'clock in the evening and closes about 10 o'clock so we usually try to be there for both of them.
- 455. **Interviewer:** We say we, how many people or range of people?
- 456. **Lawrence:** anywhere between 6 to 8.
- 457. **Interviewer:** And you know all these people?
- 458. **Lawrence:** yes. They stay very close to our place in Harrison.
- 459. **Interviewer:** Is there any coordination involved in going to Temple or is it a routine?
- 460. **Lawrence:** it's just routine. Basically every Sunday we make it a point and moreover this gets like more when there's festivals or important rituals. So that time we go on Saturdays so it's not exactly on Sundays. If a festival is to be celebrated then it will be closed.
- 461. **Interviewer:** Is there any means of coordination you all go through even though it's a routine thing on Sunday?
- 462. **Lawrence:** ah no technologies but we call them on the phone stating that we are going to Temple at about 7o'clock. Would you mind if we meet up? It's a large place and the gathering is more.
- 463. **Interviewer:** Is it like one person calling someone who's part of a group of people?
- 464. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 465. **Interviewer:** So you contact that one person and they spread the word?
- 466. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 467. **Interviewer:** And the same thing they call one person who spreads the word?
- 468. **Lawrence:** yeah spreads the word.
- 469. **Interviewer:** So you meet at the Temple?

- 470. Lawrence: yeah
- 471. **Interviewer:** Volunteer, when was the last time you volunteered?
- 472. **Lawrence:** before I became an instructor I was working as an instructor for physics and chemistry mentoring stuff so that's it. I usually volunteer a regular basis actually.
- 473. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about this community volunteering opportunity?
- 474. Lawrence: campus center sometimes they keep stalls on the compound...
- 475. **Interviewer:** So they had a table where they were signing people up for community service and you asked and signed up?
- 476. **Lawrence:** yeah. Actually I think campus center from my perspective can be made more socially interactive like something like the concept of a digital city.
- 477. **Interviewer:** Can you elaborate on that?
- 478. **Lawrence:** um, actually digital city is a concept in which um, if you're search google its more on digital cities. Actually depending upon your interests or aspirations, you get some interactive screens so that um, it helps you...
- 479. **Interviewer:** Like a plasma screen?
- 480. Lawrence: plasma screen or something like that which enables more community building.
- 481. **Interviewer:** Because more people will walkup and say hello?
- 482. Lawrence: yes
- 483. So these are called digital cities?
- 484. Lawrence: yes
- 485. **Interviewer:** So you walked up to the table, did you have to share your personal information?
- 486. **Lawrence:** uh yeah name, email, address, phone number that's optional like that's the most mandatory thing right? Yeah.
- 487. **Interviewer:** Did they actually have a time and date for this volunteering?
- 488. **Lawrence:** they just specify that it will be occurring throughout this month and if you want you can just put down when you're able to volunteer then.
- 489. **Interviewer:** Did you have to put that contact info?
- 490. **Lawrence:** yeah, I had to give my contact info, my email.
- 491. **Interviewer:** So the time you found out about and signed up to the time you did it how much time passed?
- 492. Lawrence: um, I would say about 1 week.
- 493. **Interviewer:** During that time did they coordinate or communicate with you?
- 494. **Lawrence:** yeah they just sent two emails just for the confirmation saying that I will be volunteering at this time.
- 495. Interviewer: Was there any complications or misunderstandings in that process with the emails?
- 496. **Lawrence:** um, the only problem that I found was they actually sent a mail to a different person assuming it was for me. But since NJIT has just 3 letters and a number in the email, sometimes when writing it can make a complications sometimes.
- 497. **Interviewer:** So being the emails the complication of putting in the wrong sequence of letters and numbers?
- 498. Lawrence: yes exactly
- 499. **Interviewer:** So you don't think about wishing it was a more effective way than just emailing?
- 500. **Lawrence:** uh, since I don't know. Probably since a lot of Facebook supports groups, probably I would suggest them to create some committees or create some groups and send an RSVP so that everyone is in the loop. More like a group social interaction.
- 501. **Interviewer:** Where was it, on campus or off campus?
- 502. Lawrence: it was like Newark Charter schools.
- 503. **Interviewer:** So they had directions?
- 504. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 505. **Interviewer:** And you went by yourself?
- 506. Lawrence: yeah
- 507. **Interviewer:** How did you emerge in participating and getting involved?
- 508. **Lawrence:** I just give a brief introduction about my stuff that I'm suppose to do.
- 509. **Interviewer:** Was there a leader for this community service project?

- 510. **Lawrence:** ah actually um, there's no concept of leader but you have some office assistant, ta assistants, or some assistants that will help you in your role.
- 511. **Interviewer:** So you show up, the people who sign you up may not actually be there but you show up and the people already there get you started?
- 512. Lawrence: yes
- 513. **Interviewer:** You say here you'd like to do sky diving?
- 514. Lawrence: yeah
- 515. **Interviewer:** And you'd go alone by yourself?
- 516. **Lawrence:** yeah sky diving, I'd like to do it sometime.
- 517. **Interviewer:** If you decided you want to go skydiving what process would you go through to find a way to go do skydiving?
- 518. **Lawrence:** um, research the Internet on potential skydiving places and the fees the cost of the sky diving. And the photographs, the videos and all. Access everything, the more near the place the more better the place. Imagine there's a skydiving in Pennsylvania and a skydiving in California. Naturally since Pennsylvania is nearer to me I would skydive in Pennsylvania.
- 519. **Interviewer:** Even if it costs more because it's closer?
- 520. Lawrence: because it's closer.
- 521. **Interviewer:** What would you consider a threshold in effecting your decision in a place? Say if there were 5 places in Ohio and there only a couple miles apart what would be your next factor?
- 522. **Lawrence:** next factor is the reviews and also the quality involved in the photography of the video of me skydiving. And um, safety features involved and safety measure.
- 523. **Interviewer:** So say there was one really close to you but another one 15-20 miles away but it was better
- 524. **Lawrence:** I'd actually choose the better one. Because we don't go skydiving often. Because once you should be good.
- 525. **Interviewer:** So you plan to only do it once?
- 526. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 527. **Interviewer:** You said you would go by yourself so you wouldn't invite other friends?
- 528. **Lawrence:** I wouldn't invite because skydiving....
- 529. **Interviewer:** You're afraid they wouldn't be into it?
- 530. **Lawrence:** yeah because it depends a lot on a mental device.
- 531. Reading, you read by yourself leisurely?
- 532. **Lawrence:** yeah leisurely yeah. Mainly current affairs.
- 533. **Interviewer:** Museum, when was the last time you went to a museum?
- 534. **Lawrence:** uh Philadelphia art museum a month back.
- 535. **Interviewer:** And you went with friends?
- 536. **Lawrence:** yes, ah it was more like considered family friends because we were suppose to visit a family who is my distant cousin who has been staying here close to 25 years. So I had never visited them all my life so we just thought we would just meet them once. We just went there on a need to know personal basis and then after a casual acquaintance we went to Philadelphia.
- 537. **Interviewer:** So you were going to Philadelphia to visit family, how did you find out that there was family in Philadelphia?
- 538. Lawrence: actually um, they were contacting us while I was suppose to come to the US because it's mine distant cousin from my father's relative who's been staying her for quite some time. So when I told that I would be coming to the US so they were the ones who got in touch with us so we called them up and said we'd be coming. And, but since last year we couldn't go there, but this time summer we made it some convenience and we just visited them that's it.
- 539. **Interviewer:** Did you need to coordinate with them?
- 540. **Lawrence:** yeah I told them I was coming a week before.
- 541. **Interviewer:** You did this how?
- 542. **Lawrence:** I just called them.

- 543. **Interviewer:** The museum, did you plan this in advance with them that you wanted to do this or this was decided face to face when you got there?
- 544. **Lawrence:** no, because we were suppose to come back to New Jersey. I reached there on Saturday and I was suppose come back New Jersey on Saturday. So Sunday morning we just decided that we would do some sightseeing for some time and just see some places here and there that weekend.
- 545. **Interviewer:** Hunting, you would like to do hunting on your own?
- 546. **Lawrence:** yes
- 547. Interviewer: If say you want to go hunting how would you go about trying to do hunting?
- 548. **Lawrence:** I would search the Internet for places were we could go for hunting. And what devices we are to carry and what are we suppose to hunt. In India we usually hunt wild boars and all that stuff so we should take forest rangers with us, because they know where the good sports quite frequently come and uh we just try to shoot and...
- 549. **Interviewer:** So you've been hunting before in India/
- 550. **Lawrence:** not exactly, but I have just been acquainted actually. Yeah.
- 551. **Interviewer:** So you would go on the internet, find out the equipment you need, and find a place to go hunting and take a chance?
- 552. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 553. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't look for an establishment that might offer services in showing you how to hunt or you would go on your own?
- 554. **Lawrence:** I don't know what the policies are involved here so I don't want to take a risk.
- 555. So what I'm trying to understand is that you mentioned you would go on the Internet and look up stuff.
- 556. Lawrence: yeah
- 557. **Interviewer:** But you didn't mention anything about finding a place that would teach or show you so would you gather all the information finding out what equipment to have and what to do in the wilderness...
- 558. **Lawrence:** exactly
- 559. **Interviewer:** And these are the safety protocols I'm reading about and you'd find a place and you'd just go.
- 560. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 561. **Interviewer:** Would you buy the equipment and then go or would you just go to the place and see if they have the equipment?
- 562. **Lawrence:** I would just go to the place and because if I take the equipment sometimes if there's no facilities then the equipment can become a waste so it's better I just go there.
- 563. **Interviewer:** If you found such a place would you go there in person or would you contact before going over?
- 564. **Lawrence:** I would contact them before.
- 565. **Interviewer:** Jetskiing, you'd like to go jet skiing?
- 566. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 567. **Interviewer:** Can you tell me the process you'd go through to find out how to jet skii?
- 568. Lawrence: any water sports, um probably Florida or a thousand airlines or something like that.
- 569. **Interviewer:** So on a computer can you show me how you would go about trying to go jet skiing?
- 570. **Interviewer:** Ok so through google you would put in jet skiing.
- 571. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 572. **Interviewer:** You put in Miami is there a reason you chose Miami?
- 573. **Lawrence:** um just probably because I haven't visited Miami so because I don't know if there's jet skiing in Niagara or.....
- 574. **Interviewer:** Well there is a Jersey shore and they actually do jet skiing in New York.
- 575. **Lawrence:** is it?
- 576. **Interviewer:** Yeah, they have rivers all along in New York City so I've seen people jet skii in New York just not very often. But you put in Miami first so you considering that....
- 577. Lawrence: yeah because I've never visited there so I'd like to.
- 578. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't necessarily feel a need to go jet skii as soon as possible. It's more for you about associating it with the place you might want to go to?

- 579. **Lawrence:** yeah because if it was just a place then I should not just go there for jet skiing. Like I should visit Miami and take jet skii as another activity at another time.
- 580. **Interviewer:** Gardening, you say you would like to do.
- 581. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 582. **Interviewer:** Another thing with jet skiing would you invite your friends along?
- 583. **Lawrence:** I would like to but it depends on their interest actually.
- 584. **Interviewer:** You're afraid they're not going to be interested?
- 585. **Lawrence:** I might be but for jet skiing they might be ok but not for skydiving and hunting.
- 586. **Interviewer:** With gardening, how would you go about trying to find a way to do gardening?
- 587. **Lawrence:** um gardening? Its actually good how we actually in India it's done in farms and all. But um, I don't know it's a large place we do in India not in a small place because gardening is not much popular in India. We do much farming actually, with rice, wheat, and all that stuff. Rather than with flower and all.
- 588. So how would you go about doing gardening?
- 589. Lawrence: just um, contact some good people. Like Bonsais are good for gardening.
- 590. **Interviewer:** So you would have an idea of what you would want to grow?
- 591. **Lawrence:** yeah exactly, yeah.
- 592. **Interviewer:** But how would you go about trying to get started?
- 593. **Lawrence:** the same thing, search the internet....
- 594. **Interviewer:** And buy one?
- 595. **Lawrence:** yeah
- 596. **Interviewer:** What other things would you try to look for?
- 597. **Lawrence:** bonsai especially I would like to....it should be artistic. And um, it should bear the fruits also. And it should be more um, greenery.
- 598. **Interviewer:** Is that the only means? Would you talk to people?
- 599. **Lawrence:** yeah talk to people.
- 600. **Interviewer:** Use facebook or orkut or twitter?
- 601. **Lawrence:** yeah everything because probably now actually the modern age now you can't block people actually because you have facebook, Orkut, and reviews. So if you want to be successful you have to be successful even the social networking sites because that's how the people now are promoting everything.
- 602. **Interviewer:** Successful how?
- 603. **Lawrence:** imagine one of my colleagues is a very good painter. He's a very good painter but he doesn't have much importance. But now due to the Facebook....
- 604. **Interviewer:** He can be seen?
- 605. **Lawrence:** yeah he can be seen and more people appreciating his work.
- 606. **Interviewer:** So in terms of if you wanted to start learning or doing something with gardening, would you use Facebook in any way?
- 607. Lawrence: yes.
- 608. **Interviewer:** How would you use Facebook?
- 609. **Lawrence:** um, search for committees related to gardening. And um, identify people who are near my community or something like that so I can just speak with them regarding those aspects and uh, that's how I would like to.
- 610. **Interviewer:** And would you use Orkut for this as well?
- 611. **Lawrence:** Orkut yeah Orkut is as I told you popular in India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, those countries. Because we have been using to my knowledge we've been using it for 5 years. But Facebook I started using when I came to the US. So people in this part of the hemisphere use Facebook more and people on that side of the hemisphere use Orkut more.

## **Figure B.3** Interview with Subject 3.

- 1. **Interviewer:** And your current school year?
- 2. **Cheyenne:** junior senior
- 3. **Interviewer:** And your major?
- 4. **Cheyenne:** information technology
- 5. **Interviewer:** And are you currently working?
- 6. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 7. **Interviewer:** And what's your current occupation?
- 8. **Cheyenne:** campus center staff and soon I'll be working at the front desk of ITMS.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 10. **Cheyenne:** I commute
- 11. **Interviewer:** And how far is your commute?
- 12. **Cheyenne:** it's an hour away.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself, with roommates, or with family?
- 14. **Cheyenne:** with family.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites like Facebook, Orkut, Twitter, Myspace?
- 16. **Cheyenne:** I use Facebook, MySpace occasionally, and rarely OKCupid.
- 17. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 18. **Cheyenne:** everyday
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you check it once a day or several times a day?
- 20. **Chevenne:** several times a day
- 21. **Interviewer:** And how long do you usually spend on it each time you're on?
- 22. **Cheyenne:** it depends on when was the last time I looked at it. If it's been like 3 days then, because I've been away from the computer, then I'll spend like a good hour or 2 on it. If its been 2 hours since I last looked at it and I just saw another notification I look at it for 30 seconds.
- 23. **Interviewer:** For MySpace you said occassionally so how many times?
- 24. **Cheyenne:** um, I spend down to a few times a month. Because Facebook has kind of taken over so.
- 25. **Interviewer:** And you mentioned OKCupid?
- 26. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 27. **Interviewer:** How often do you go there?
- 28. **Cheyenne:** I go there whenever there's like a new message I see in my inbox which it sends an email notification from that. So it depends on whenever it sends me a notification so it can be like a few times a week if I get like an email or it can be 3 months.
- 29. **Interviewer:** And this is for the context of dating or do you sometimes use it for social purposes?
- 30. Cheyenne: I use it for social purposes really just to talk to people and make friends, that's about it.
- 31. How often do you use OKCupid?
- 32. **Cheyenne:** um, a year ago I use to use it like twice a month or so, now I rarely use it so.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications?
- 34. **Cheyenne:** the only thing I use on my phone really is text and call.
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 36. **Chevenne:** in my free time I'm down in the game room.
- 37. **Interviewer:** What do you do in the game room?
- 38. **Cheyenne:** in the game room my friends, we either go bowling down there or they're playing the card game called Mao, which I just use that to catch free time to collect my thoughts.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Is that an arcade game?
- 40. **Cheyenne:** no Mao is a card game where you can't talk about...
- 41. **Interviewer:** Oh card, I thought you said car.
- 42. **Cheyenne:** no, card game. We can't talk about the rules so they can't speak at all during the game so it's very very quiet. Usually they're loud and obnoxious.
- 43. **Interviewer:** So you make the rules up along the way?
- 44. **Cheyenne:** no it's that you can't. There's a set of rules about it initially, but if you're new to the game you can't find out about the game near the rules until you play thorugh it.
- 45. **Interviewer:** You learn through observation?
- 46. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 47. **Interviewer:** And How often do you go to the game room?

- 48. **Cheyenne:** everyday
- 49. **Interviewer:** For how long?
- 50. **Cheyenne:** several hours until it closes.
- 51. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 52. **Cheyenne:** um, I use to be. Not so much this semester.
- 53. **Interviewer:** What did you use to be involved in a lot of?
- 54. **Cheyenne:** um, Art Society. I use to be involved with that a lot. Ah lets see. There was a few EOP events or meetings I have to go to for that, which encourage us to go to HOSHPE and NSBE....
- 55. **Interviewer:** What's HOSHPE?
- 56. **Cheyenne:** it's on your activity sheet. It's um, Hispanic Organization....
- 57. **Interviewer:** Oh SHPE, I'm use to calling it SHPE.
- 58. **Cheyenne:** no, Host SHPE.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Here?
- 60. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 61. **Interviewer:** SHPE?
- 62. **Cheyenne:** yeah. There's the first part then you it's HOSP/SHPE so HOS/SHPE. They change the names around.
- 63. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 64. **Cheyenne:** hmmm. Not really.
- 65. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did arts and crafts with your friends?
- 66. **Cheyenne:** well, really I consider arts and crafts just being me drawing or knitting which no one knows how to knit here so I don't bother with that, or teach them. Drawing um. We use to have art society so it was much easier to do that, but this semester we don't have it anymore. So I try to get my friends involved to sit down outside and draw and something but no one's willing to do it right now.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Say if you were interested in doing knitting with other people, what would be your process in trying to do that or would you be interested in trying to do that with others?
- 68. **Cheyenne:** actually I found recently like last week a group that does a knitting thing because when I was working at the information desk there was this girl who was just talking about her meeting and how people were learning how to sow and do such and such things. And that's when I asked her about what that group was about. So there's like an actually arts and crafts group on campus.
- 69. **Interviewer:** So this was an acquaintance of friend?
- 70. **Cheyenne:** it's an acquaintance, co-worker. I don't really know her.
- 71. **Interviewer:** So by word of mouth she told you about this club at NJIT?
- 72. **Cheyenne:** yeah.
- 73. **Interviewer:** She gave you information like what times they meet?
- 74. **Chevenne:** uh hm.
- 75. **Interviewer:** How big is the club?
- 76. **Cheyenne:** she told me it's a pretty small concentrated group of like at most 20 people but it's like come and go kind of thing.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Have you ever attended one of their get togethers?
- 78. **Cheyenne:** no I just found out about it last week at the very end. And they only meet up once a week.
- 79. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would attend sometime?
- 80. **Cheyenne:** if I remember.
- 81. **Interviewer:** And so if you were to remember how would you go about getting information about where they meet, what time, those kind of things?
- 82. **Cheyenne:** I'd probably try to find her again and ask.
- 83. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 84. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 85. **Interviewer:** Would you exchange any information with her in case you wanted to contact her later or would you do face to face again?
- 86. **Cheyenne:** mostly face to face because there is a way to get other people's numbers and information from working at the information desk together but I'd rather not go about that because it seems kind of creeply

- 87. **Interviewer:** This drawing group that you do with your friends currently, do you know who's idea it was to have a group and organize it? Was it something you came upon?
- 88. **Cheyenne:** that's something I came upon because we use to have arts society before I came to NJIT. So it was already a setup group.
- 89. **Interviewer:** And how did you find out about the Art Society?
- 90. **Cheyenne:** people stared at my eyebrows and said to me, 'wow, you have interesting eyebrows. You should join the Art Society.'
- 91. **Interviewer:** So among all those people who asked you did you ask about this Art Society?
- 92. **Cheyenne:** yeah, I asked one of the girls who I actually do know and said just some stranger came up and told me this.
- 93. **Interviewer:** What did you ask her in particular?
- 94. **Cheyenne:** where do they meet.
- 95. **Interviewer:** And she knew?
- 96. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 97. **Interviewer:** Is she part of it?
- 98. **Cheyenne:** she knew most of the people there but she wasn't a part of it.
- 99. **Interviewer:** How did you get further information?
- 100. **Cheyenne:** she told me where to go and I just went there.
- 101. **Interviewer:** So a particular day and particular time she told you?
- 102. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 103. **Interviewer:** So when you went there you went by yourself?
- 104. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 105. **Interviewer:** How did you emerge yourself into it?
- 106. **Cheyenne:** when I walked in there I realized that I knew a few of the people who were also my friends at the time. When I walked into the room I realized, 'hey I know you guys' so I just started talking to them and then became introduced amongst the group in that same way.
- 107. **Interviewer:** And the people you already knew you had their personal information already?
- 108. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 109. **Interviewer:** So the next time you went, you knew the day and time they'd meet together and you'd show up?
- 110. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 111. **Interviewer:** Were there ever times when you would coordinate with your friends who were also in the club outside of that regular meeting period?
- 112. **Cheyenne:** a few times.
- 113. **Interviewer:** Can you describe that process you went through to coordinate with them and meet up?
- 114. **Cheyenne:** well a few of the people in the group kind of went through a schism. So there was different meetup sessions for different groups of people. A few of them would just come up to people and say 'hey we're going to meet up today at such and such a time to do this,' and then ask one person to send out emails to everyone else. Another person tried to set up a google group first to join and get connected and everything. But with that one there was like a schedule that which told us what times but I really didn't look at that.
- 115. **Interviewer:** Were you involved with both groups?
- 116. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 117. **Interviewer:** With the email, was it conventional email sent as a mass email?
- 118. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 119. **Interviewer:** They didn't use anything like Facebook to create an event or a message thread in Facebook?
- 120. **Cheyenne:** we use to have a Facebook group for our society but they never really used it.
- 121. **Interviewer:** Do you know the reason why they stopped?
- 122. **Cheyenne:** like I said there was a schism after a certain point so some of the people who were involved which was like a good bulk of the group, didn't like the way it was run by people who were trying to take over the Art Society. And I'm friends with both of these groups of people so to me none of this really mattered. But for a while it was actually being run but then most of the people left so then the only people left who were trying to take over. And they would always try to get things organized but they never actually went through with all the work which is the reason why it doesn't exist anymore because no one filled out the paperwork afterwards. They didn't go to get

- approval to get the group started up again for the following semester to rent out another room in the campus center.
- 123. **Interviewer:** That was this group here?
- 124. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 125. **Interviewer:** And this one was kind of just dissolved?
- 126. **Cheyenne:** they kind of dissolved but they are the ones who would actually go through the process to make sure everyone gets connected and does such and such things and get organized.
- 127. **Interviewer:** So they were better organized than this group?
- 128. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 129. **Interviewer:** About the Facebook group, did it have anything to do with the technology being unpleasant having to maintain a Facebook group or was it because of the schism that caused the group to phase out?
- 130. **Cheyenne:** it was because of the schism.
- 131. **Interviewer:** So not so much that they were dissatisfied with how you maintain a Facebook but because of the schism?
- 132. Cheyenne: it wasn't anything really to Facebook it was purely a diplomatic issue going on.
- 133. **Interviewer:** In regards to the group doing the emailing, did you notice if it was one person involved trying to coordinate and set up meeting times for that group with emailing?
- 134. **Cheyenne:** um with that group it wasn't really that one person was in charge, it was more like everyone kind of came to a unified decision that, 'ok we need to do this sometime' and then one person would send out the email saying this is the time we're going to do this at because according to everyone we're all free at this time.
- 135. **Interviewer:** Did you notice it was the same person or would it be a different person each time?
- 136. **Cheyenne:** we kind of voted on different positions within the group. So the person who sent the email he was like, he'd be the main person in charge so he would send out the emails.
- 137. **Interviewer:** What kind of voting went on?
- 138. **Cheyenne:** it really wasn't much of a vote. It was more like, 'well who wants to be President? I guess I'll be. Who wants to be secretary? I can do that.'
- 139. **Interviewer:** So an unofficial type of executive board for this group?
- 140. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 141. **Interviewer:** So there would be a face to face group discussion when to meet next time or they would try to schedule lets meet these days at these times?
- 142. **Cheyenne:** a majority of the time we see each other anyways so....
- 143. **Interviewer:** Outside of that?
- 144. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 145. **Interviewer:** So when they would send out these emails what would be in the email? An actual date and time to meet?
- 146. **Cheyenne:** it would be an actual date and time.
- 147. **Interviewer:** Did they ever ask for people's opinion like what time would work best for you or what time do you think would be a good time to meet?
- 148. **Cheyenne:** most of the time we got those settled face to face so when it came time for email it was more like a reminder.
- 149. So the emails were meant to inform people when they're meeting for art club?
- 150. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 151. Interviewer: And that would be decided among a subgroup and one person would do that?
- 152. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 153. **Interviewer:** You mentioned they eventually drifted and fell apart, do you know how that happen?
- 154. **Cheyenne:** certain personalities started to clash with the different groups, so after a certain point they decided they didn't want to deal with them anymore and they just left.
- 155. **Interviewer:** People who left, for example if there was one individual who left did that affect a subgroup in leaving because that person left?
- 156. Cheyenne: that influenced them to leave?
- 157. Interviewer: Yeah
- 158. **Cheyenne:** pretty much.
- 159. **Interviewer:** So if they were really good close friends with that person they would leave as well?
- 160. **Cheyenne:** yeah

- 161. **Interviewer:** So if they have sort of a strong social link with them they would leave too?
- 162. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 163. **Interviewer:** Did they ever have new members come and join?
- 164. **Cheyenne:** a few new people but you'd only see them once or twice then never again.
- 165. **Interviewer:** What do you think was the greatest challenge for this unofficial executive board for this group here? The biggest challenge for them in terms of coordinating with, how many people total would you say was in this group?
- 166. **Cheyenne:** like 8 to 10ish.
- 167. **Interviewer:** So what challenges do you think they had in trying to get people together to meet up and coordinate having club meetings and doing what the club is meant to do?
- 168. **Cheyenne:** well to determine the times and to figure out when to meet up and what location that wasn't the biggest issue in terms of making and keeping the group. It was first actually get the work done, which the group can be up and set instead of meetings to talk about ok we need to do this but no one ever did any of the work.
- 169. **Interviewer:** So there really was no problem in coordinating and getting people together but the problem was that they didn't do anything?
- 170. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 171. **Interviewer:** What kind of work was this club involved with?
- 172. **Cheyenne:** we needed to start hosting events and having displays and stuff, which we would try to encourage people to produce work so that we can showcase them inside the campus center or go to a gallery or something or have trips to go to museums so it seems like there's more of a reason for people to get involved instead of sitting around in one stuffy room. But no one would really get a lot of that done. Except for that other group that was part of the schism that they could produce work and have a lot of stuff done, but they weren't good at organizing and maintaining the group so they just took over because they had more content to prove that they're more involved in the group. But then when it came time to renew the group and get funding and talk to whoever's in charge for a club group they never did that.
- 173. **Interviewer:** But did this group do that with the Senate?
- 174. **Cheyenne:** after they left they didn't do anything afterwards.
- 175. **Interviewer:** Lets talk about this group, you mentioned this one coordinated through email. How did this one do it?
- 176. **Cheyenne:** um they tried using google groups and then....
- 177. What is google groups? Is it similar to Facebook groups?
- 178. **Cheyenne:** yeah pretty much.
- 179. **Interviewer:** How many people were in this group?
- 180. **Chevenne:** about 5.
- 181. **Interviewer:** Can you describe to me the coordination process they would go through in terms of meeting together. Deciding when to meet together where to meet together.
- 182. **Cheyenne:** one person worked at the coffee place so a few people would show up there, talk there.
- 183. **Interviewer:** This is the café here?
- 184. **Cheyenne:** Intrinsic. So they would meet up there sometimes but when it came to getting together to figure out what groups wanted to show up for such and such a thing they would call. Because I know one person he deleted his facebook so there was no way to contact him from that. They would call him, but with the different google groups and there's one other called Picaso. I didn't like it. They would update meeting times, which would be shown inside the google groups that hey we're going to meet up at this time for such and such meeting board, and we had a schedule printed out on the door so it would be like a set every week thing.
- 185. **Interviewer:** This would be at Intrinsic, something on the door?
- 186. **Cheyenne:** no the meeting times and stuff would be posted in the Arts Society room, which is in the basement of the campus center. It use to be.
- 187. **Interviewer:** So they would coordinate by knowing this person at the Intrinsic Café, get information that way about maybe updates on the club and through google groups posting about this time to met and so forth.
- 188. **Cheyenne:** yes so first it would be they go to Intrinsic, talk about when to set up a meeting, then send out messages in google groups to everyone that needs to go at these times.
- 189. **Interviewer:** You mentioned they also fell apart too?

- 190. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 191. **Interviewer:** What do you think was their greatest challenge in coordination and organizing; outside the meetings the other things they were intending to do as a group. Why and how do you think that fell apart?
- 192. **Cheyenne:** to be honest I'm not really sure what's the full actually reason. A lot of people were involved in different things. So it's kind of hard for me to pinpoint one cause as oppose to them not producing work.
- 193. **Interviewer:** Do you happen to know why they preferred using google groups rather than something like facebook groups?
- 194. **Cheyenne:** that wasn't my idea so I don't know.
- 195. **Interviewer:** And you're not sure why they wouldn't do conventional email?
- 196. **Cheyenne:** I think it's probably easier to do the email one. Because when we had a list of like all the names of the members of the people that they usually they write down the names and their email address which get attached from there. They preferred to use email.
- 197. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a bar?
- 198. Cheyenne: well I was at the pub last night.
- 199. **Interviewer:** And you went with friends?
- 200. Cheyenne: I went with my friend Cassandra.
- 201. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it to go to the bar?
- 202. Cheyenne: it was hers because her birthday was on Monday.
- 203. **Interviewer:** This past Monday?
- 204. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 205. When did she talk to you about going to the bar?
- 206. **Cheyenne:** to go to the pub like last night?
- 207. **Interviewer:** Yeah last night.
- 208. **Cheyenne:** she came up to me saying hey are you free lets go to the pub.
- 209. **Interviewer:** And what day did she do this?
- 210. **Cheyenne:** last night like 5 minutes before we went to the pub.
- 211. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 212. Cheyenne: yep
- 213. **Interviewer:** And you say here with strangers, you meaning the strangers there?
- 214. **Cheyenne:** there were strangers there and then she knew some of the people there so I'm like, associated by friends of friends.
- 215. **Interviewer:** Can you think of any other time when you planned going to the bar at a long span of time compared to 5 minutes before going to the bar.
- 216. **Cheyenne:** a few of my friends sent me text messages saying hey lets go out tonight or lets go out on Friday and I agree.
- 217. **Interviewer:** How far in advance do they usually do this?
- 218. **Cheyenne:** usually a week in advance. Well not an exact week like lets say if it's a Monday they'll send me a text message then to see if I'm available Friday or Saturday.
- 219. **Interviewer:** So within a week essentially?
- 220. Cheyenne: uh hm.
- 221. **Interviewer:** So if you ever needed to get information would you be contacting one person, the one who contacted you about it or other people you know who are going to the bar?
- 222. **Cheyenne:** majority of the time they send me text messages and when its just one direct person I have it taped that at least one person is willing to go. Then I just tell them.
- 223. **Interviewer:** Do you get multiple text message from people about going to the bar?
- 224. **Cheyenne:** sometimes, but usually when it becomes a group of a large, lets say more than 3 people involved, them my friend will post up like a facebook notification or facebook event and invite people.
- 225. **Interviewer:** So within that span of time what forms of communication are used?
- 226. **Cheyenne:** um, text messages usually.
- 227. **Interviewer:** Anything else?
- 228. **Cheyenne:** if it's, again if 3 or more people I just write on the wall of that event.
- 229. **Interviewer:** So the night before or day of what means of communication are used?

- 230. Cheyenne: text
- 231. **Interviewer:** No phone calling or anything?
- 232. **Cheyenne:** no majority of my friends don't really, they have an unlimited texting plan but not phone calls.
- 233. **Interviewer:** Do you all meet somewhere together then go over there or do you meet at the bar?
- 234. **Cheyenne:** um, if we have enough free time like ahead of time and I'm not working or something then we'll meet up at someone's house and then go.
- 235. **Interviewer:** Is it usually the same bars that you go to or is it always different bars? **Cheyenne:** so far no it hasn't been the same.
- 236. **Interviewer:** This is in NY or Newark?
- 237. **Cheyenne:** this is closer to where I live in Dover. Because I go with my friends who I know for years and years, and they're still around in that area. A few times we went to Hoboken though.
- 238. **Interviewer:** Dancing, when was the last time you went dancing?
- 239. Cheyenne: I wish it was sooner. But last time it was on my best friend's birthday December 26.
- 240. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was to go dancing?
- 241. **Cheyenne:** hers
- 242. Interviewer: And how far in advance did she plan?
- 243. **Cheyenne:** just two days before we went.
- 244. **Interviewer:** Was it face to face or another means of communication? **Cheyenne:** it was through text.
- 245. **Interviewer:** So within that 2 day period of time, was the means of communication texting?
- 246. Cheyenne: ah, we texted initially and then I called her because it was faster.
- 247. **Interviewer:** For example when you're texting, is it to discuss details, where to go and at what time?
- 248. **Cheyenne:** when she suggests an idea I immediate text, what time is it, where is the place, and how much is it? Those are my initial like always 3 questions that they get. And if they don't answer me within that one text then I call them to see what's the real answer.
- 249. **Interviewer:** How long a time do you wait before calling?
- 250. **Cheyenne:** um, well I wait for their first response. So if they give me a response and it tells me all the information I'll just leave it at texting, but if they say they're not sure then I call them immediately.
- 251. **Interviewer:** So there's always usually a text response. There's no long period of time where you don't get a text to the point where you call?
- 252. **Cheyenne:** so far no.
- 253. Interviewer: So this dancing event 2 days in advance, where was it? In Dover?
- 254. **Cheyenne:** no it was in NY in Harlem.
- 255. **Interviewer:** Did you all meet together first then go over there?
- 256. **Cheyenne:** she came to my apartment first. Got ready then these two guys came who I don't know. She knows one of them and he brought like a, his cousin or something with him. Picked us up from close to where I leave then drove us to the place.
- 257. **Interviewer:** So four of you went over there?
- 258. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 259. **Interviewer:** Did you meet any people there while at the place you were dancing other than the two that you brought?
- 260. **Cheyenne:** they were very possessive so no.
- 261. **Interviewer:** What kind of place was it?
- 262. **Cheyenne:** like a big nightclub, danceclub kind of thing.
- 263. **Interviewer:** And when you left you all left together, the four of you?
- 264. **Cheyenne:** yeah we left together. He was talking to someone else too. I forget who. And then we all went our separate ways after that.
- 265. **Interviewer:** Dining out, when was the last time you went dining out?
- 266. **Cheyenne:** uh. I'm trying to think I went to a diner back in December. I can't remember the last time.
- 267. **Interviewer:** This was with a friend?
- 268. **Cheyenne:** it was a friend now boyfriend.

- 269. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it about going to dinner?
- 270. Cheyenne: mine
- 271. **Interviewer:** Was it just the two of you?
- 272. **Cheyenne:** it was. I had no food in my house, and he came over. I had nothing so...
- 273. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you two plan for dinner, this dining out?
- 274. **Cheyenne:** initially I was talking to him online and told him come over and bring food so we can eat. He came over with a bag of popcorn, a box of mac and cheese which I can't eat, and a tuna can sized thing of chicken breast from Costco.
- 275. **Interviewer:** This was the day of?
- 276. **Cheyenne:** this is the day of. No I told him before in advance, two days before to show up like that with food. But his idea of food was to bring that so I told him we're going to a diner.
- 277. **Interviewer:** You said you called him or was online?
- 278. Cheyenne: online
- 279. **Interviewer:** Instant messaging?
- 280. Cheyenne: yep
- 281. **Interviewer:** What tool did you use?
- 282. **Cheyenne:** AOL instant messenger
- 283. **Interviewer:** and you planned that 2 days ahead of time?
- 284. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 285. Interviewer: So during those two days did you contact him again as a reminder?
- 286. Cheyenne: I said it like every five minutes 'bring food.'
- 287. **Interviewer:** By IM?
- 288. **Cheyenne:** by IM. Until he said he was driving on his way.
- 289. **Interviewer:** So he showed up and the prospects weren't looking good.
- 290. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 291. **Interviewer:** And you drove there or you drove together?
- 292. **Cheyenne:** he drove there with me. I called one of my friends who lives across the street from me saying 'I'm going to a diner with this person, do you want to come?' So he came too.
- 293. **Interviewer:** And there was three of you?
- 294. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 295. **Interviewer:** And you all left together and he dropped you off and then went on his way or did he stay?
- 296. **Cheyenne:** um, my friend drove in a different car. So he drove off to do his own thing.
- 297. So your friend met you at the diner?
- 298. Cheyenne: yeah
- 299. This is filming/directing?
- 300. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 301. **Interviewer:** Which do you do? Do you direct or you're involved in the filming process?
- 302. **Cheyenne:** one of my friends wants to do cinematography and filming. So I hang out at her house and we talk about what we want to get done for like a short film.
- 303. **Interviewer:** With other actors or is it more animation, something you can do with a small group?
- 304. **Cheyenne:** with actors. But with her we just sit down and discuss like storywise, plotwise what we want to get done and then I end up writing stuff and give it to her to review.
- 305. **Interviewer:** So when was the last time you two got together to do something like this?
- 306. **Cheyenne:** before spring break.
- 307. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it to get together to do this collaboration?
- 308. **Cheyenne:** we kind of go back and forth with 'hey I have an idea you should come over? Or I have an idea I want to talk to you about it?' And I go over. I think that time it was my idea.
- 309. **Interviewer:** But you're always going to her place?
- 310. **Cheyenne:** yeah.
- 311. **Interviewer:** She lives in Dover or around here?
- 312. **Cheyenne:** Dover
- 313. **Interviewer:** So when you say in this last instance, who contact who first about an idea and getting together?
- 314. **Cheyenne:** I think it was my idea.

- 315. **Interviewer:** And how did you communicate or contact her?
- 316. **Cheyenne:** I talked to her online using AIM.
- 317. **Interviewer:** Did you also within that moment discuss the details when you would come by? What day, what time?
- 318. **Cheyenne:** usually I say 'hey I have an idea for a film I want to do, a short film.' I tell her a sentence or two, and then she just asks me to come over. So she comes over and picks me up in 5 minutes.
- 319. **Interviewer:** Oh so this will be like the day of a lot of times?
- 320. **Cheyenne:** yeah, usually.
- 321. **Interviewer:** Not like something that's planned days ahead or a week?
- 322. **Cheyenne:** depends on the situation.
- 323. **Interviewer:** On average in terms of when this happen either way back and forth, is it always through AIM that you two communicate about getting together?
- 324. **Cheyenne:** for the filming?
- 325. Interviewer: yeah
- 326. Cheyenne: yeah. There's been like once when she sent me a text, but that was it.
- 327. **Interviewer:** So mostly AIM, and typically it's the day of when you two meet up and start discussing?
- 328. **Cheyenne:** if she's available. There's been a few times when she's in Florida doing an internship with PBS. So I have to wait until she gets back and then we agree to meet up on that day.
- 329. **Interviewer:** Do you two ever plan while she's in Florida?
- 330. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 331. **Interviewer:** And how long a period of time of planning is that? Is it like a week before you meet or a couple of days?

**Cheyenne:** well if I talk to her saying when she's getting back she'll tell me such and such a day then I'll ask her if she's available the next day.

- 332. **Interviewer:** And this is all on AIM?
- 333. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 334. **Interviewer:** Is there any other means of communication used?
- 335. **Cheyenne:** we use facebook but we really don't post it on facebook because we don't really want people reading that we're collaborating and doing such other work when its in the early stages.
- 336. **Interviewer:** Can you do a 1-1 with her on facebook and not have other people see?
- 337. **Cheyenne:** we can but it's still easier to use AIM for both of us.
- 338. **Interviewer:** More private?
- 339. Cheyenne: yes
- 340. **Interviewer:** And probably quicker I guess.
- 341. **Cheyenne:** it is
- 342. **Interviewer:** You say you'd like to do yoga with friends and strangers?
- 343. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 344. Interviewer: So lets say you want to do yoga, how would you go about trying to do yoga?
- 345. **Cheyenne:** usually I try to ask people word of mouth if they know of certain groups. Certain free groups who do sessions like that. And if that doesn't work then possibly looking online like social sites like facebook or craigslist.
- 346. **Interviewer:** So which one would you go to first facebook or craigslist?
- 347. **Cheyenne:** facebook
- 348. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on here how you would use facebook to say look for something like yoga?
- 349. Interviewer: So you're on facebook, you're looking for yoga, show me what you would do.
- 350. **Cheyenne:** well, there's a few friends I know who are into health fitness and stuff. So I would like, talk to them see if they know. But the main person I would want to go to is my friend Heidi because she's always into yoga, stretching, capoeira, flying, and all this other kind of stuff. But she's not around the area around. Unless she does, she does know of a group so I'd send her like a message or something like that. Or I would write on my news feed as a status update.
- 351. **Interviewer:** Have you gotten responses back putting in your feed on facebook?
- 352. **Cheyenne:** yeah I have a lot of times.

- 353. **Interviewer:** And how quickly usually?
  - Chevenne: like an hour
- 354. **Interviewer:** So your friend Heidi, what would you do first? Would you maybe search for her, go to her profile and send her a message, or see if she's online?
- 355. **Cheyenne:** I would go to her profile. Then write a message on her wall or send her a message on her wall or send her a message privately. Because I know generally she doesn't chat that much on facebook.
- 356. **Interviewer:** Facebook you'd use primarily because you know a friend who does yoga and contact her.
- 357. **Cheyenne:** uh hm
- 358. And you would either post on your wall or news feed.
- 359. **Cheyenne:** uh hm
- 360. Interviewer: So you wouldn't necessarily use facebook to look up random groups that do yoga?
- 361. **Cheyenne:** not necessarily. Because sometimes there are groups that are like, you can join a group that says 'I love yoga' but that doesn't mean that you know of where it is available.
- 362. **Interviewer:** More like an interest group than a proactive group.
- 363. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 364. Interviewer: What other means would you try to go about doing yoga or find information?
- 365. Cheyenne: craigslist.
- 366. **Interviewer:** Can you go to craigslist and show me how you would go about finding yoga activities to do?
- 367. **Cheyenne:** go to craigslist then type on state I'm in. I'm in NJ. The area, I'm in north Jersey. Then from here I'd look at community I guess.
- 368. **Interviewer:** So you went to community then you went to classes?
- 369. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 370. **Interviewer:** And you just surf through there until you see something for yoga?
- 371. **Cheyenne:** yeah well I don't usually use a mac so I don't know how to do ctrl-f.
- 372. **Interviewer:** It's applekey-f.
- 373. **Cheyenne:** there's nothing for yoga. For that page at least.
- 374. Interviewer: So would you go across pages and check?
- 375. **Cheyenne:** I'd kind of just look through streaming it, because even if I don't come across yoga I can still come across something I do want to get into.
- 376. **Interviewer:** How much time would you spend on craigslist looking for yoga?
- 377. **Cheyenne:** probably not too long because most of the time when people update new information it's, they'll get a quicker response than what was posted like 3 weeks ago. So I only try to look within the first page of two.
- 378. Interviewer: And facebook how much time? You'd probably real quick send a message or post?
- 379. **Cheyenne:** yeah. If I send a message or post it up I'll wait until I get another email notification saying, 'so-and-so replied.'
- 380. **Interviewer:** First you'd ask people face-to-face, people you know friends of yours?
- 381. **Cheyenne:** uh hm
- 382. **Interviewer:** Second you'd go to facebook?
- 383. **Cheyenne:** uh hm
- 384. **Interviewer:** Third you would go to craigslist?
- 385. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 386. **Interviewer:** Any other means?
- 387. **Chevenne:** um. Not if I know there's a gym nearby and I can ask them.
- 388. **Interviewer:** And you say with strangers meaning that you would be willing to...
- 389. **Cheyenne:** join a class if there's no one there with me.
- 390. **Interviewer:** Say you did find a place, would you go by yourself or would you try to go with friends?
- 391. **Cheyenne:** I would try to see if a friend would go with me but if no one's willing then I'd just go by myself.
- 392. **Interviewer:** Movie watching. When was the last time you went to see a movie?
- 393. **Cheyenne:** movie in theaters?

- 394. **Interviewer:** Yeah, at a movie theater?
- 395. **Cheyenne:** I believe it was Sherlock Holmes.
- 396. **Interviewer:** You went with how many friends?
- 397. **Cheyenne:** I went with 5 other people.
- 398. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go?
- 399. **Cheyenne:** me and this one girl
- 400. **Interviewer:** It was both of your ideas?
- 401. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 402. **Interviewer:** After collaborating?
- 403. **Cheyenne:** uh hm
- 404. **Interviewer:** Who among you organized?
- 405. **Chevenne:** she has everyone's numbers. I don't. So she texted everyone.
- 406. **Interviewer:** So she in a way became the organizer or co-organizer?
- 407. **Cheyenne:** yeah. She texted everyone. I would talk to them either face to face or online telling them we're going on such and such a day.
- 408. **Interviewer:** The people she texted were different than the people you talked to face to face about going?
- 409. **Cheyenne:** well, they were the same group but just that I don't have their cell phone number.
- 410. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this plan to go see this movie?
- 411. **Cheyenne:** well we saw the movie preview during the summer for when it was going to come out. In early **Interviewer:** February or late January early February. So when we just saw a preview we both agreed that we were going to do it.
- 412. **Interviewer:** So that moment you two said you were going to see it and plan it, when did you start contacting people about seeing it?
- 413. **Cheyenne:** like a few weeks before it was going to come out.
- 414. **Interviewer:** So at that time it was talked about but ever since that whole time no coordinating towards doing it right?
- 415. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 416. **Interviewer:** Until a couple of weeks ago when it was going to come so then she texted people and you talked to them face to face interchangeably?
- 417. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 418. **Interviewer:** And where there also certain people who didn't receive a text from her but that you talked to face to face about coming?
- 419. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 420. **Interviewer:** So how many people total were invited?
- 421. **Cheyenne:** 5
- 422. **Interviewer:** So no one dropped out and no one had to cancel later on?
- 423. **Cheyenne:** we weren't sure if one person was going to go, so we changed the date to another day so we could all go together.
- 424. You all were comfortable with texting and face to face?
- 425. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 426. **Interviewer:** Did you feel any challenges with that? As in this was a lot of effort, you wish there was an easier way of doing this?
- 427. **Cheyenne:** well with that group of friends we're very comfortable with meeting up with each other and talking.
- 428. **Interviewer:** So there really was no challenge or hassle?
- 429. **Cheyenne:** not really, no.
- 430. **Interviewer:** If people needed more information or needed information who would they contact? Among each other or was there usually one person?
- 431. **Cheyenne:** there would probably either me or her since we were the ones who were most adamant about going.
- 432. **Interviewer:** So when you met together did you meet at the theater or met earlier and then went to the theater?
- 433. **Cheyenne:** met earlier then left.
- 434. **Interviewer:** And was anyone running late when you first met together?

- 435. **Cheyenne:** um, we all kind of came together at the same time-ish. It was pretty closely timed but we had a set time to show up and no one showed up at that set time so we all just kind of met up late.
- 436. **Interviewer:** Was there any communication used?
- 437. **Cheyenne:** texting
- 438. **Interviewer:** Texting to say I'm coming, I'll be there soon?
- 439. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 440. **Interviewer:** And you knew everyone who was there? There were no new faces?
- 441. **Chevenne:** no new faces.
- 442. **Interviewer:** Capoeira you say here you want to do it with friends and strangers. Same situation, if you wanted to do capoeira how would you go about find that?
- 443. **Cheyenne:** same exact thing with yoga.
- 444. **Interviewer:** Asking friends?
- 445. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 446. **Interviewer:** Drinks, last time you went for drinks was it a bar, club, house?
- 447. **Cheyenne:** um well I have drinks in my own house.
- 448. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you got together for drinks with your friends?
- 449. **Cheyenne:** drinks with my friends? I'd say Easter.
- 450. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to get together?
- 451. **Cheyenne:** it's always been a yearly thing where I go over to my friends house. So I go to their house for Easter and drink from there.
- 452. **Interviewer:** Is there any coordination in terms of communicating before leading up to the day you're going to go or do you just show up and they just know?
- 453. **Cheyenne:** at this point. She sends me a text message anyway but at this point I've been going over to her house for like over 4 years.
- 454. **Interviewer:** Every Easter?
- 455. **Cheyenne:** yeah every Easter, every major holiday I just show up.
- 456. **Interviewer:** So the first time, can you remember the first time or was it so long ago?
- 457. **Cheyenne:** first time she asked me face to face.
- 458. **Interviewer:** Did she ask you the day of or a week in advance?
- 459. **Cheyenne:** she asked me like a few days in advance.
- 460. **Interviewer:** And face to face that whole time?
- 461. Cheyenne: yeah
- 462. **Interviewer:** Second time?
- 463. **Cheyenne:** well, for every major holiday she kind of just....
- 464. **Interviewer:** Contacts you?
- 465. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 466. **Interviewer:** Does she contact a lot of people too or mostly you?
- 467. **Cheyenne:** uh, usually me maybe like a few, 2 of our other friends.
- 468. **Interviewer:** So it's a small, intimate gather?
- 469. **Cheyenne:** well it's a small house too so.
- 470. **Interviewer:** So there's not a lot of people there?
- 471. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 472. **Interviewer:** Not like a house party where a bunch of people invite a bunch of people and so on, but that's not the case?
- 473. **Cheyenne:** not the case.
- 474. **Interviewer:** It's usually just a small group?
- 475. **Chevenne:** uh hm.
- 476. **Interviewer:** And this is all done by texting?
- 477. **Cheyenne:** texting or just talking online.
- 478. **Interviewer:** Through AIM or facebook?
  - Cheyenne: AIM
- 479. **Interviewer:** Is it usually within a couple days before it or the day of?
- 480. **Cheyenne:** a week in advance. Because they have to prepare food so.

- 481. **Interviewer:** Since its her idea she's the one who organizes, coordinates in telling people?
- 482. **Chevenne:** uh hm.
- 483. **Interviewer:** Nightclub, when was the last time you were at a nightclub?
- 484. **Cheyenne:** uh. I'm trying to get my friends to go now, but last time was with my friend when we went dancing.
- 485. **Interviewer:** The one about the two guys?
- 486. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 487. **Interviewer:** How did she communicate with her?
- 488. **Cheyenne:** she texted me. I texted her a question. Then I just called her after that.
- 489. **Interviewer:** Remind me, how far in advance was this planned?
- 490. **Cheyenne:** a few days before.
- 491. **Interviewer:** Do you have any other instance before that period when you went night clubbing?
- 492. **Cheyenne:** um I went nightclubbing with a friend in, close to Penn Station, Guitar bar. That was October at the time.
- 493. **Interviewer:** And do you remember how far in advance she planned this with you to go out?
- 494. Cheyenne: I think she called me that morning and told me she was going to go out.
- 495. **Interviewer:** And she called you you said?
- 496. **Cheyenne:** yeah, she doesn't have texting.
- 497. **Interviewer:** Did she only call you that one time and you knew to show up and the details were discussed in that one conversation or was there further communication throughout that day?
- 498. **Cheyenne:** she called me early in the morning before I left my house. Then when I was dressed and ready to go she was on campus so I called her to see when she wanted to meet up. Then we left from campus.
- 499. **Interviewer:** Gaming, this is arcades or video games on a desktop or PC or something?
- 500. **Cheyenne:** uh, only a few times it's on a desktop game.
- 501. **Interviewer:** What kind of gaming?
- 502. **Cheyenne:** when I was thinking of games I was thinking about being down in the game room. There's like bowling and dominos that I play.
- 503. **Interviewer:** And when was the last time you were down there gaming?
- 504. Cheyenne: um, last time I was playing anything was last night. I was playing dominos.
- 505. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to get together for dominos last night?
- 506. **Cheyenne:** my boyfriend.
- 507. **Interviewer:** Did he contact you the day of or was this planned in advanced?
- 508. **Cheyenne:** it's, he always wants to do it everytime you see him. So it's like if you look at him you know that's what he wants to do.
- 509. **Interviewer:** So usually face to face is when this occurs?
- 510. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 511. **Interviewer:** Does anyone else contact you other than face to face interaction for doing gaming?
- 512. **Cheyenne:** no not really. Usually we're all bored.
- 513. **Interviewer:** So you run into each other, you're talking and chatting, then if you want to go you just go?
- 514. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 515. **Interviewer:** There's no texting, facebooking?
- 516. Cheyenne: no
- 517. **Interviewer:** Gymnastics, you would like to do gymnastics with friends and strangers?
- 518. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 519. **Interviewer:** If you wanted to find out how to do gymnastics what process would you go through?
- 520. **Cheyenne:** I imagine gymnastics would be a much smaller field for me to find as oppose to an open yoga class so I'd probably go to a gym or something and ask if they know anything about it.
- 521. **Interviewer:** So you'd go here at NJIT gym first?
- 522. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 523. **Interviewer:** And after that where else, how else?

- 524. **Cheyenne:** craigslist probably. Because I know from my group of friends none of them do gymnastics.
- 525. **Interviewer:** So you would initially go somewhere by yourself.
- 526. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 527. **Interviewer:** And how would you emerge yourself into gymnastics meaning find your way to participating?
- 528. **Cheyenne:** well if it's like a class then I would kind of be forced to interact with people because I don't know them.
- 529. **Interviewer:** So wait for an instructors instructions and probably ask someone how you do this or this.
- 530. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 531. **Interviewer:** Weightlifting/working out. You mention you don't do so much weightlifting but you work out with a friend?
- 532. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 533. **Interviewer:** Do you currently do with a friend or do on your own?
- 534. **Cheyenne:** with my friend that wants to loose weight so we were doing a lot of cardio, I would meet with her consistently. But then she kind of stopped going, and with me I don't need to do cardio because I'm kind of very small. So I'm trying to see if there's like other friends of my who want to do it.
- 535. **Interviewer:** Cardio mostly to loose weight?
- 536. **Cheyenne:** yes
- 537. **Interviewer:** And not so much to build your cardiovascular system?
- 538. **Cheyenne:** well I want to have stronger upper body strength so that why I'd like to do weightlifting, because my lower body strength is exceptionally strong.
- 539. **Interviewer:** There's activities you do that make that....
- 540. **Cheyenne:** walking. Lots of walking. Not by choice.
- 541. **Interviewer:** With the working out with your friend who was interested in cardio to loose weight. How long a span of time did she continue do this? Getting together with you to go?
- 542. **Cheyenne:** every beginning of the semester she'll send me a text message saying we should get back into this. So I tell her ok lets meet up at these time and such. But then when it comes time to do it like, it will be rocky beginning to start off. We'll do it consistently for a few weeks and then she'll either stop showing up or I'll be busy with something else so we don't get to meet up as often.
- 543. **Interviewer:** So initially how far in advanced is it plan to go?
- 544. **Chevenne:** like a week.
- 545. **Interviewer:** So she'll text you in a week before and you'll respond and discuss the details by text that same day or doing the course of that week?
- 546. **Cheyenne:** during the course of the week.
- 547. **Interviewer:** Would you ever call or facebook or anything else? AIM?
- 548. **Cheyenne:** facebook
- 549. **Interviewer:** By what means? Posting a news feed, posting on her wall?
- 550. **Cheyenne:** posting on her wall or seeing if she's online on facebook and talking with her from that.
- 551. **Interviewer:** So posting on her wall or chatting with her on facebook?
- 552. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 553. **Interviewer:** But really not much sending a personal message or anything?
- 554. **Cheyenne:** no
- 555. **Interviewer:** So mostly it would be texting. Under what circumstances would you decide to use facebook instead of texting?
- 556. **Cheyenne:** uh, if they haven't responded to anything in a while.
- 557. **Interviewer:** Ok, so secondary to texting would be facebook?
- 558. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 559. Interviewer: And the day before or day of what means of communication are used?
- 560. **Cheyenne:** text. If I don't see her earlier in the day then I text and if she doesn't pick up on that I give her a call.
- 561. **Interviewer:** After you've done the activity, do you discuss right afterwards when to meet up next to do the cardio workout?

- 562. **Cheyenne:** it's kind of agreed that if we have it done for this one time then we'll meet up the same time two days later.
- 563. **Interviewer:** The planning process for that, is there any means of communication used?
- 564. **Cheyenne:** texting.
- 565. **Interviewer:** And secondary to that is facebook posting or chatting?
- 566. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 567. **Interviewer:** With weightlifting do you go by yourself or with friends?
- 568. **Cheyenne:** ah, I don't want to go by myself so I try to get friends.
- 569. **Interviewer:** So if you couldn't get a friend to go would you still go or not go?
- 570. **Cheyenne:** probably not.
- 571. **Interviewer:** So you would mostly be the one asking if they want to go?
- 572. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 573. **Interviewer:** And how many people would you usually invite? Would it be one or several?
- 574. **Cheyenne:** several, until someone says one.
- 575. **Interviewer:** So as soon as someone says yes....
- 576. **Cheyenne:** until I at least have one person, I won't stop until I have at least one person.
- 577. **Interviewer:** So even if you had one person say yes you'd still contact more people?
- 578. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 579. **Interviewer:** In case that person drops out or the more the merrier?
- 580. **Cheyenne:** um, the more the merrier because a lot of my friends complain that they're getting fat and don't like the way their body looks so then I just tell them, 'hey, come join me and do this activity so you're doing something positive.'
- 581. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges involved with getting together and doing that with them through just texting alone?
- 582. **Cheyenne:** at this point if I try to organize with people and they don't want to meet up with me I'm not surprised by that. Because I'm usually think that my friends are unreliable.
- 583. **Interviewer:** So then you won't go weightlifting unless you can get or bring someone with you and you know that chances are people even when they say they will go will maybe flake out and not go?
- 584. **Cheyenne:** uh hm.
- 585. **Interviewer:** And finally music. You do this with friends like sitting and listening to music? Playing music?
- 586. **Cheyenne:** both
- 587. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were with friends for something that was dealing with music.
- 588. **Cheyenne:** a lot of my friends we'll sit down and we'll be talking and have a laptop open. We start discussing different music they have or suggest different bands they haven't heard of before or we just talk about the progression of such and such band that we like. When it comes to playing music my sister is a classically trained violinist so either me and her will be talking about whatever things going on at her school or her band. Or with like, she'll be giving lessons on how to play guitar.
- 589. **Interviewer:** So this is done face to face?
- 590. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 591. **Interviewer:** And the planning like getting together to do this how is that done?
- 592. **Cheyenne:** to play music?
- 593. **Interviewer:** Well as in, in order to play music together or talk about music....
- 594. **Cheyenne:** it happens to be in random conversation.
- 595. **Interviewer:** So there's no getting together and listen to this album or play this instrument?
- 596. **Cheyenne:** no that's never planned.
- 597. **Interviewer:** Throughout all these activities and involvement in texting, have you ever experience or can you think of challenges involved with doing texting and coordinating through just texting?
- 598. **Cheyenne:** hmm, not really.
- 599. **Interviewer:** Is there any things to it that you feel you wish were improved upon or make it a lot easier in the process of coordinating through all the texting that you are usually involved in when coordinating these activities?
- 600. **Cheyenne:** sometimes when I'm coordinating via text the only problem is like, waiting for my friends to reply.

- 601. **Interviewer:** And what about any other tools like facebook. Are there any things in facebook that you feel should be improved upon or wish that some of the things you have to do were easier or better in some way?
- 602. **Cheyenne:** well with a lot of searches whenever I try and like, look for something it's usually never actually direct. Like I said when it comes to me trying to look for yoga as opposed to looking for a group on facebook. It's usually about like, 'I like yoga' or 'I watch yoga'...
- 603. **Interviewer:** Outside the context of what you're looking for?
- 604. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 605. And what about craigslist. Any kind of challenges involved with using craigslist to find....
- 606. **Cheyenne:** a lot of times on craigslist group or events or something really close to it are sometimes put in the wrong category. So maybe if there was a better filter.
- 607. **Interviewer:** But otherwise for the most part texting works out quite conveniently for you?
- 608. **Cheyenne:** because it's direct.
- 609. **Interviewer:** The only problem is having to wait to get responses back?
- 610. **Cheyenne:** yeah
- 611. **Interviewer:** And what about phone calling in times you have to phone call?
- 612. **Cheyenne:** ah. Usually nowadays most of my friends have unlimited texting so they're mostly cool with that. When it comes to phone calls they're worried they'll run out of minutes because they have unlimited texting but no longer have any minutes. So they'll tell me call me back after 9 because I don't have any minutes before that.

## **Figure B.4** Interview with Subject 4.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Alexia**: I am a Master's student.
- 3. **Interviewer:** Firs year, second year?
- 4. **Alexia**: second, done actually.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What did you get your degree in?
- 6. **Alexia**: in biomedical engineering.
- 7. **Interviewer:** And are you currently working?
- 8. **Alexia**: not yet.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Did you live on campus or did you commute when you were in school?
- 10. Alexia: both
- 11. **Interviewer:** How far was your commute when you were commuting?
- 12. **Alexia**: in terms of time or distance?
- 13. **Interviewer:** Time.
- 14. **Alexia**: time? About an hour.
- 15. **Interviewer:** And what about distance?
- 16. **Alexia**: 25 miles, not that far.
- 17. **Interviewer:** When you lived on campus did you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 18. **Alexia**: roommates.
- 19. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 20. **Alexia**: 2
- 21. **Interviewer:** And when you lived off campus did you live by yourself, with roommates, or with family?
- 22. **Alexia**: family.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites such as facebook or myspace...
- 24. **Alexia**: facebook, hi5.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 26. Alexia: no.
- 27. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 28. **Alexia**: like everyday.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Is it once a day or several times a day?
- 30. **Alexia**: probably once a day.
- 31. **Interviewer:** And how long are you usually on there for?
- 32. **Alexia**: 20 minutes
- 33. **Interviewer:** And hi5 how often do you use that?
- 34. **Alexia**: once a month maybe.
- 35. And how long do you usually stay on when you're using it?
- 36. **Alexia**: maybe 10 minutes.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 38. Alexia: no.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Did you consider yourself to have a lot of free time when you were in school?
- 40. **Alexia**: I have free time definitely. When I was in school, I thik it depends on. Like its different for each semester. I guess yeah, yeah.
- 41. **Interviewer:** And what would you do during your free time, the times when you did have....
- 42. **Alexia**: social activities.
- 43. **Interviewer:** What kind of social activities?
- 44. **Alexia**: like clubs, involved with clubs.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Can you name me a couple of clubs you were involved in?
- 46. **Alexia**: ok I was in SWE, Biomedical engineering society, African Student Association, NSBE but I wasn't active. I was in Tau Beta Pi honors society. I was in Phi Beta Sigma which is a freshmen honors society.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 48. **Alexia**: I mentor
- 49. **Interviewer:** So within those clubs you did various activities like volunteer or something?
- 50. **Alexia**: yes.

- 51. **Interviewer:** Did you do most of your favorite activies on campus?
- 52. **Alexia**: I would say yes.
- 53. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did, well what kind of Arts and Crafts do you do?
- 54. **Alexia**: like making stuff with paper, doing painting, coloring.
- 55. **Interviewer:** So when was the last time you did that with friends?
- 56. **Alexia**: probably a week ago.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was?
- 58. **Alexia**: it was my idea.
- 59. **Interviewer:** And how many people were involved?
- 60. **Alexia**: I'd say about 11 people but it's um, less or more each time but average.
- 61. **Interviewer:** Do you remember what day?
- 62. **Alexia**: Saturday
- 63. **Interviewer:** So on a Saturday, how far in advance did you think of the idea?
- 64. **Alexia**: probably a day.
- 65. **Interviewer:** When you thought of it did you contact people about meeting on the next day Saturday to do, what was it painting?
- 66. **Alexia**: yeah, painting and drawing.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Is this a reoccurring thing, something you usually do on Saturday or kind of....
- 68. **Alexia**: like every other Saturday.
- 69. **Interviewer:** So routinely every other Saturday?
- 70. **Alexia**: yeah. But it's season.
- 71. **Interviewer:** What seasons do you typically....
- 72. **Alexia**: fall and spring.
- 73. **Interviewer:** When you have the idea, how do you communicate with those you plan to invite to be involved? By what means?
- 74. **Alexia**: call them.
- 75. **Interviewer:** Is there any other means you use to contact them?
- 76. **Alexia**: phone and text.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Which do you do first between those two?
- 78. **Alexia**: phone
- 79. **Interviewer:** Under what circumstances would you text?
- 80. **Alexia**: if I don't hear back from somebody that I call then I text them.
- 81. **Interviewer:** Do you leave messages when you call them when you can't get them on the phone?
- 82. **Alexia**: yes
- 83. **Interviewer:** If you left a message would you then text immediately or later on?
- 84. **Alexia**: I'll wait, and then if I don't hear anything I'll text.
- 85. **Interviewer:** How long do you wait if you decide to text if you haven't heard back from them?
- 86. **Alexia**: maybe a day. A couple hours to a day.
- 87. **Interviewer:** And do you usually plan them a day before? Like you contact people the day before?
- 88. **Alexia**: um, not often. No.
- 89. **Interviewer:** So it varies?
- 90. **Alexia**: it varies.
- 91. **Interviewer:** Last week you did it the day before?
- 92. **Alexia**: yes
- 93. **Interviewer:** But other days what was the longest period of time that you gave yourself to plan for a Saturday painting session?
- 94. Alexia: 4 days.
- 95. **Interviewer:** Would you be able to call like on average how many days you usually plan in advance for something like this.
- 96. **Alexia**: like 2 days.
- 97. **Interviewer:** And on average how many people do you contact?
- 98. **Alexia**: 11 people.
- 99. **Interviewer:** And how many actually show up?
- 100. Alexia: on average? About 11.
- 101. **Interviewer:** Do you contact each of the 11 people?
- 102. Alexia: yes

- 103. **Interviewer:** So you become the organizer coordinating this?
- 104. Alexia: ves
- 105. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges having to call that many people?
- 106. **Alexia**: yes because you don't always get all of them on the phone and you have to make sure they all get message and sometimes they don't get the message you want to send so you have to repeat yourself sometimes.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you choose to phone instead of use some other means like say using facebook to send out a uh, either a email to your 11 friends if they're in your, are they in your buddy list some of these 11 people?
- 108. Alexia: no. Not all of them.
- 109. **Interviewer:** So is there a reason you wouldn't use facebook and create an event?
- 110. **Alexia**: because not all of them are very good with computers so they don't check their email that often.
- 111. **Interviewer:** So essentially they don't have a facebook account?
- 112. **Alexia**: some of them do, but they don't really check it.
- 113. **Interviewer:** So you call them primarily because they don't usually use the Internet or email or get online to do things?
- 114. Alexia: right
- 115. **Interviewer:** So you also don't email them because they most likely don't....
- 116. **Alexia**: check it yeah.
- 117. **Interviewer:** But they do know how to text?
- 118. Alexia: yeah.
- 119. **Interviewer:** So phone calling and then you text only if you don't hear back from them?
- 120. Alexia: right
- 121. **Interviewer:** So since it's such a complicated process for you, what do you wish would make your job easier?
- 122. **Alexia**: at least if there's a forum where like I can just go and, if they take it off the Internet it would be easier but nobody checks. Like it's almost non-effective.
- 123. **Interviewer:** You already know that they don't usually use the computer to do that kind of thing, and considering that you mostly have to do it all by phone. Just based on that, have you ever thought that when you're calling all these people and say, 'I wish that there was a way for me when I'm calling them to minimize the amount of calling I have to do?'
- 124. **Alexia**: yeah, because like a place where you can leave a voice mail, and that voicemail gets delivered to everybody.
- 125. **Interviewer:** Like a chain phone call?
- 126. Alexia: yeah
- 127. **Interviewer:** Have there been any other ideas you had where you think this would be great if my phone or the method of coordinating a call could do a certain thing? What's been your experience when you've been trying to organize with the 11 people?
- 128. **Alexia**: it's ok, because I have to wait for the time they're available from work.
- 129. **Interviewer:** What's the most number of calls you've had to coordinate a Saturday session for painting?
- 130. **Alexia**: it's probably like um. Probably 20, because some people I have to call back.
- 131. **Interviewer:** Tell me some of the situations and when I say situations like, one situation may be I call the person and I talk to them and discuss with them and they're free on Saturday. So tell me about the various situations.
- 132. **Alexia**: it's normally like a set time that we usually meet. So it's sort of like understood that at that time we set apart for the group the meet. But in terms of coordinating like I think an activity like a craft kind of work it's something I have to plan ahead of the time to make sure that we have the supplies and interest to do it. So its more of like we're going to meet at that time so that's why I'd do it like a day or two ahead because I know people would show up just not I don't know if they have the means to do the activity.
- 133. **Interviewer:** Do you have any people in your group who help you out with this process?
- 134. **Alexia**: yeah. Sometimes calling one person can help rather than calling everybody. The person says 'well I'll let the person know' and that makes it easier too.
- 135. **Interviewer:** So some people you can call and ask them can you contact so and so?

- 136. Alexia: yeah
- 137. **Interviewer:** How many people do you usually have help you to coordinate with everyone else?
- 138. Alexia: one.
- 139. **Interviewer:** So describe to me the way that you contact this person and discuss who's going to contact who?
- 140. **Alexia**: um something like, 'high um. I'm thinking that tomorrow that we should do so-and-so. And um, I'll try to get in touch with this person. Do you mind trying to see if you can get in contact with that person and see if they're available?' Um, or if they can bring this and that like I know they do have so they don't come in forgetting to bring it. And um, that's if I don't get in touch with the person. But if I do then I'll say something like, 'hey this person is coming. Um, do you mind contacting this other person to see if they're also available."
- 141. **Interviewer:** So the two of you know these people mutually?
- 142. **Alexia**: not everybody but most people yeah.
- 143. **Interviewer:** So there's different people each time or is it the same 11 people?
- 144. **Alexia**: no I mean we don't have all their contact information but we do know them. I have everyone's contact information but not that the person who usually helps me.
- 145. **Interviewer:** So when you talk to that person about contacting so-and-so is it that they know that person or it's someone they don't know and you give them their information and they contact them?
- 146. **Alexia**: somebody they know definitely or they usually interact with or they call on a regular basis or, yeah.
- 147. **Interviewer:** So on the day of this meeting for art, who's the first one there? Is it you or someone else?
- 148. **Alexia**: its usually somebody else but yeah, I'm usually the first person there.
- 149. **Interviewer:** And are there people that will run late arriving? Yes?
- 150. **Alexia**: but not not, like just occasionally it's not something common.
- 151. Interviewer: Is there any means of communication used as people are arriving or getting there?
- 152. **Alexia**: no it's just that...
- 153. **Interviewer:** They'll eventually show up?
- 154. Alexia: yeah
- 155. **Interviewer:** Um, you say here with strangers so is it that strangers will come to these things?
- 156. Alexia: well we encourage people to invite other people so it's not just us but somebody else.
- 157. **Interviewer:** So when you contact those people about we're meeting and such they know that they can invite other people to come along if they're interested?
- 158. **Alexia**: yeah. That depends on the activity also.
- 159. **Interviewer:** So how does the time and place get decided? Is that decided by you and you then pass that information along or you discuss it with some people?
- 160. **Alexia**: I think that was already set before.
- 161. **Interviewer:** Alright so they just know and it's usually the same time, same day, same place?
- 162. Alexia: uh hm.
- 163. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did badminton?
- 164. **Alexia**: ah, probably in school. A long time ago.
- 165. **Interviewer:** Do you remember when you went to do that? Badminton?
- 166. **Alexia**: yeah we were outside just having fun.
- 167. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to play badminton?
- 168. Alexia: I just saw a bunch of people playing and I asked if I could join them.
- 169. **Interviewer:** Did you know these people?
- 170. **Alexia**: not all of them. Maybe one or two people.
- 171. **Interviewer:** Were you with anyone at that time or was it just you by yourself when you were passing by and decided to join?
- 172. **Alexia**: I think I was by myself.
- 173. **Interviewer:** Did someone invite you over or you kind of went and asked if you could participate?
- 174. Alexia: I just went and asked.
- 175. **Interviewer:** Do you remember where it was where you played badminton?
- 176. **Alexia**: it was at NJIT.
- 177. **Interviewer:** NJIT gym? At the basketball courts?

- 178. **Alexia**: yeah it was at the gym. I didn't know the people but I just came there to like....
- 179. **Interviewer:** Did you know that they were playing badminton there before hand?
- 180. Alexia: no
- 181. **Interviewer:** So you were there, you saw, and you went. Did you rent out a piece of equipment so you could play, or you borrowed someone's?
- 182. **Alexia**: I borrowed somebody's.
- 183. **Interviewer:** Did you just walk up to somebody and ask, 'hey can I play?'
- 184. **Alexia**: no I just asked the group can I join? Can I be part of it?
- 185. **Interviewer:** And you knew people in that group?
- 186. **Alexia**: just one or two people.
- 187. **Interviewer:** So they knew you they said hey how are you, dad a da?
- 188. Alexia: yeah
- 189. **Interviewer:** And then they somehow, they...you asked to join?
- 190. **Alexia**: not exactly but I think something like that.
- 191. **Interviewer:** You mention here, is this church right here?
- 192. Alexia: yes
- 193. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to church?
- 194. Alexia: Sunday.
- 195. Interviewer: This was with friends?
- 196. Alexia: actually Tuesday.
- 197. **Interviewer:** Tuesday, this was with friends?
- 198. Alexia: I guess. Friends and non-friends.
- 199. **Interviewer:** Last Tuesday?
- 200. Alexia: yeah
- 201. **Interviewer:** So it was a group of friends?
- 202. **Alexia**: nah just friends.
- 203. **Interviewer:** That time you went, did you go by yourself?
- 204. **Alexia**: I went by myself, but I met people there.
- 205. **Interviewer:** You know people there?
- 206. Alexia: yeah
- 207. **Interviewer:** So since you went by yourself there was no coordinating with other people you decided to go?
- 208. **Alexia**: well because it's also like a set time. So either you make it or you don't make it. You don't really need coordination for that.
- 209. **Interviewer:** Do you ever recall having to coordinate with someone to go to church with?
- 210. **Alexia**: I think when there's an event like outside of an event that um, requires maybe driving someplace I don't know then I'll definitely coordinate with somebody to go there.
- 211. **Interviewer:** When those kind of things happens is there a particular person you usually contact or call?
- 212. **Alexia**: yes. Like the main leader.
- 213. **Interviewer:** You know this person personally?
- 214. Alexia: yeah
- 215. **Interviewer:** How do you communicate with them?
- 216. **Alexia**: just phone.
- 217. **Interviewer:** And how do you usually find out about these activities that are being coordinated?
- 218. **Alexia**: I call sometimes like if I'm not there when an announcement is made, or I'll ask other people.
- 219. Interviewer: So from other people you either ask face to face?
- 220. Alexia: usually by phone.
- 221. Interviewer: So if you weren't there you may call them at some time and asked what did I miss?
- 222. Alexia: right
- 223. **Interviewer:** And if they tell you oh yeah we're doing such-and-such, they tell you who to contact to get more information? How do you gather more information?

- 224. **Alexia**: um, if I need more information I'll most likely contact the main contact person because they usually get information ahead of the time before the rest of the group knows. So it's just safer to contact that person.
- 225. **Interviewer:** And does that person usually organize these kind of events?
- 226. **Alexia**: ah not all the time. Sometimes she'll leave it up to the group to organize but she usually knows the person who organizes it so I just get the information from her.
- 227. And is there ever times when they contact that person or someone contacts you to give you information, new information if its updated. Is it the same person you would go to for getting information?
- 228. Alexia: not all the time. Sometimes it's the same person sometimes it's somebody else.
- 229. **Interviewer:** Community outreach, when was the last time you did a form of community outreach?
- 230. Alexia: probably in December it's been a while.
- 231. **Interviewer:** And do you know who's idea it was? Who it was lead by?
- 232. Alexia: I know it wasn't my idea. I don't remember who's it is.
- 233. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about it?
- 234. **Alexia**: um, I saw a flyer about it on campus.
- 235. **Interviewer:** So this was on campus it was done?
- 236. Alexia: yes
- 237. **Interviewer:** So you saw the flyer, and you then proceeded to do what?
- 238. **Alexia**: I contacted whoever's name was on the flyer for the contact, and asked for more information where we could meet and what they're doing, and what its about. And then I decided whether or not I should go.
- 239. And how did you communicate with them?
- 240. Alexia: phone.
- 241. **Interviewer:** And how long like from the moment you contacted them up to the time this community outreach occurred, how long a period of time was that?
- 242. **Alexia**: I really don't remember.
- 243. **Interviewer:** Would you say about a week?
- 244. **Alexia**: about a week or two weeks I can't remember.
- 245. **Interviewer:** So within that time period was there any means of communication between you and this group as the date was approaching?
- 246. Alexia: no
- 247. **Interviewer:** So on the day of it, was there any communication between you and someone involved in the group?
- 248. **Alexia**: uh, no not really. I just showed up.
- 249. **Interviewer:** Community service, when was the last time you were involved with community service?
- 250. **Alexia**: trying to think there's so many. I think, it was sometime in. Ok I do ongoing community service because its later like it's part of the activity like this later as um, as teaching. I do that as community service so like. As community service I do like a bunch of different things.
- 251. **Interviewer:** And how do you find out about them?
- 252. **Alexia**: um it depends on what my interest is. Like if I'm interested in just helping any social group organization I just go find out more information about them, and see if they have anything coming up. For any reason I'll contact the main office and ask them um. Like what the event is about and where is it. Really it depends on the location. If I can't get there then I just don't go.
- 253. **Interviewer:** Say that with the community service if you decided you wanted to be involved. And say even if it wasn't in this area but you were in a new area. Describe to me the process you would go about trying to find out about community service within your community?
- 254. **Alexia**: ok personally I do my interest, what I'm interested in doing. Um, like for example like um, I teach and I do that as a community service. But I do that because I'm interested in teaching. So I went through a week of local places in my community where I can actually volunteer my time to teach, and what kind of subject I could be allowed to teach. But that's for like, it's not like the educational like the main classroom setting. It's more um, what's the word for it. It's less structured

then the way classroom would be. So after that I found out who's the coordinator and asked them if they have any opening where someone can come in and volunteer and I ask about if its um, if it's a continuous event, if its what the duration is, and the kind of people. Like the age group I'd be expected to teach.

- 255. **Interviewer:** Now you mentioned a listing, how would you find the listing?
- 256. Alexia: um, I'd go through a city like just website google.
- 257. **Interviewer:** Probably related to your area?
- 258. Alexia: yeah
- 259. **Interviewer:** So first you mentioned you would find out what it is you want to do. So you'd self reflect what it is you want to do.
- 260. Alexia: right
- 261. **Interviewer:** Then you would go seek out listings online. Any other means you would use?
- 262. Alexia: I'd contact friends and let them know that I'm looking for....
- 263. **Interviewer:** What would you do first, contact friends or look for listings?
- 264. **Alexia**: look for listings.
- 265. **Interviewer:** Have you done this before?
- 266. Alexia: yeah
- 267. Have you found any challenges with trying to do that, going about find that information?
- 268. **Alexia**: the challenges that I think was looking at information that it's not up to date. And when I contact them it's like, yeah we don't do that anymore.
- 269. **Interviewer:** So you know from being involved or whatever it's no longer active.
- 270. **Alexia**: yeah sometimes I wouldn't know until I called. Or maybe like the number that's listed there isn't working anymore or something like that.
- 271. **Interviewer:** And this is from looking on the Internet?
- 272. **Alexia**: yeah this is from looking on the internet, which is also why I tell friends because if they do know then they'll have more current information or direct information about the event or activity.
- 273. **Interviewer:** Is there any challenges you find in the technology you use in finding these? Like do you wish there was a different way you could go about searching for things online or a different way to get that kind of information?
- 274. Alexia: I don't know.
- 275. **Interviewer:** Do you feel there are any obstacles when you're searching or do you consider it to be pretty easy pretty simple to find what you need to find?
- 276. **Alexia**: it's just um. Like I listed like, finding websites that are there and not maintained, or events that are not well described and when you do find more information it's like, ok I don't want to do this anymore.
- 277. **Interviewer:** So when you find it you contact that person. Is it the same thing you did with the community outreach? They contact you once and you show up?
- 278. **Alexia**: well I'll contact the person. If it's an ongoing activity I wouldn't just show up for that day. I'd definitely um, have like a more. I'll probably call like several times just to like verify several things and see if there's any information they require of me because I know that like in places when you need to volunteer they'll usually have you come in like a couple of days earlier or maybe a week or a month if its something that requires you to take like a physical test or exam like they'll want you to have all that set before you begin working there.
- 279. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges in coordinating that?
- 280. Alexia: I think sometimes they can make the process a lot easier.
- 281. **Interviewer:** How so?
- 282. **Alexia**: um, like telling you what you need before you get there as opposed to like getting there and then finding out what you need?
- 283. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason they don't tell you in advance?
- 284. **Alexia**: I really don't know.
- 285. **Interviewer:** This is when you're talking to them on the phone?
- 286. Alexia: yeah.
- 287. **Interviewer:** So that information isn't posted somewhere like their website? **Alexia**: sometimes it's not.
- 288. **Interviewer:** So you wish there were a way for them to definitely, definitively show you what or tell you how, or what you definitely need to have before getting there?

- 289. Alexia: yeah
- 290. **Interviewer:** So when you get there and realize you had to do this or that or bring this or that, does that affect you being involved and you don't get involved for that?
- 291. Alexia: it depends on how much I like the activity. If I don't like it that much then I'll say no.
- 292. **Interviewer:** Because you don't feel it's worth it going through all the trouble of going back?
- 293. Alexia: right
- 294. **Interviewer:** So is that what usually happens they have to turn you away and you have to get what you need to get then come back?
- 295. **Alexia**: not all the time but if it does happen like in some cases. But if I'm not as interested, or maybe the hassle, then I'd say no I'm not going to do it.
- 296. Interviewer: So do you feel that the time and effort needed to prepare to get involved affects your decision on getting involved?
- 297. **Alexia**: definitely. If it's something that is easier like to prepare or something that I have all the information before I even decide to go there then yeah. I can easily make a decision based on what my schedule is like but if its something that will require a lot more time from me and I wouldn't find that information until I actually go there, then I may come back and decide ok this is more effort than I thought and won't want to go.
- 298. **Interviewer:** Concert, when was the last time you were at a concert?
- 299. Alexia: probably a year ago.
- 300. **Interviewer:** Do you still remember going to that concert? Do you remember who's idea it was to go?
- 301. Alexia: it was a group's idea. Like a bunch of friends we just decided it wasn't my idea.
- 302. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't through an organization but through a bunch of friends?
- 303. Alexia: yeah
- 304. **Interviewer:** And do you remember how far in advance they were planning to do this?
- 305. **Alexia**: probably a month.
- 306. Interviewer: Within that group do you know if it was a specific individual who had the idea?
- 307. **Alexia**: I can't remember exactly, but I know that two people talked about it.
- 308. **Interviewer:** How many people total went to the concert?
- 309. Alexia: about. We ended up not going all together, but the people I went with it was about 5 of us.
- 310. **Interviewer:** So who contacted you about going to this concert?
- 311. **Alexia**: somebody else.
- 312. **Interviewer:** One of the people in that group who you know?
- 313. **Alexia**: it's one of the people but not the main person.
- 314. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't the person who was organizing?
- 315. Alexia: yeah
- 316. **Interviewer:** Did you notice how many people were organizing?
- 317. **Alexia**: probably 3.
- 318. **Interviewer:** 3 out of 5?
- 319. Alexia: yeah
- 320. **Interviewer:** Among those 3, was there one among those three who was kind of like the shot caller?
- 321. Alexia: I didn't notice.
- 322. **Interviewer:** So one of the persons who invited you was not among the 3 who was organizing?
- 323. **Alexia**: oh yeah, the person wasn't among the three who were organizing.
- 324. **Interviewer:** And how did this person contact you about this concert outing?
- 325. Alexia: face to face.
- 326. **Interviewer:** And since it was planned in a month in advance. During the course of that month was there any other means of communication used for coordinating and going to this concert?
- 327. **Alexia**: besides face to face or the phone?
- 328. **Interviewer:** So mostly face to face or the phone. Anything other than face to face or the phone was used?
- 329. Alexia: no.
- 330. **Interviewer:** How often was phone calling done?
- 331. **Alexia**: probably twice just to see what the deadline is like how much it is.
- 332. **Interviewer:** So total in that whole month just twice?

- 333. **Alexia**: yeah just twice.
- 334. **Interviewer:** And how much face to face? Did you see these people often?
- 335. Alexia: yes
- 336. **Interviewer:** And on the day that you all were going, did you all meet together in once place and then go over or did you meet at the concert location?
- 337. **Alexia**: well the people that I went with we met together at a location and then went there.
- 338. **Interviewer:** And was there any means of communication used when you were getting together to go?
- 339. Alexia: phone.
- 340. **Interviewer:** So you called each other. Were people running late?
- 341. Alexia: yeah
- 342. **Interviewer:** Very late?
- 343. **Alexia**: not very late, like 10 minutes late.
- 344. **Interviewer:** So at the end of the concert you all left together or each person went their own way?
- 345. **Alexia**: we all left together.
- 346. **Interviewer:** Cooking, when was the last time you were cooking?
- 347. **Alexia**: this morning.
- 348. **Interviewer:** By yourself or with friends?
- 349. **Alexia**: just by myself.
- 350. **Interviewer:** You say here you cooked with friends?
- 351. **Alexia**: yeah
- 352. **Interviewer:** Can you remember the last time you cooked with friends?
- 353. **Alexia**: probably 3 weeks ago.
- 354. **Interviewer:** And do you remember who's idea it was?
- 355. **Alexia**: to cook?
- 356. **Interviewer:** Getting together to cook.
- 357. **Alexia**: it wasn't my idea to cook but it was my idea to decide what to cook.
- 358. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved with cooking?
- 359. **Alexia**: just two.
- 360. Interviewer: So who contacted who first? She contacted you?
- 361. **Alexia**: yeah
- 362. **Interviewer:** So she was like, we should get together and cook?
- 363. Alexia: yeah
- 364. **Interviewer:** And she asked you what should we cook?
- 365. Alexia: uh hm.
- 366. **Interviewer:** And you suggested something and she....
- 367. **Alexia**: based on what I had at home.
- 368. **Interviewer:** Was there sort of a vote, like who has a preference for what.
- 369. Alexia: um. It was really me who decided.
- 370. **Interviewer:** So she had the idea but you organized it? You decided what ingredients needed to be there?
- 371. Alexia: yeah
- 372. **Interviewer:** You had all the ingredients or she needed, your friend who called you about getting together, did she have to bring anything?
- 373. Alexia: no
- 374. **Interviewer:** So what means of communication did you two use?
- 375. **Alexia**: face to face.
- 376. **Interviewer:** And so 3 weeks ago but before getting together for cooking how much time between her calling you up to that day was there?
- 377. **Alexia**: one day.
- 378. **Interviewer:** So this was done the day before she called you. You arranged that you have the ingredients and she could just show up.
- 379. Alexia: yeah
- 380. **Interviewer:** So how many phone calls were exchanged?
- 381. Alexia: waiting for cooking or in general?

- 382. **Interviewer:** Getting together for cooking?
- 383. **Alexia**: that's a tough one. I don't really recall.
- 384. **Interviewer:** Do you recall it being complex?
- 385. **Alexia**: no
- 386. **Interviewer:** Do you recall any challenges involved?
- 387. Alexia: no
- 388. **Interviewer:** Cultural socials, you've done this with strangers and friends?
- 389. Alexia: uh hm.
- 390. Interviewer: When was the last cultural social you were involved in?
- 391. **Alexia**: um, I can't remember if it was November or December.
- 392. **Interviewer:** Do you remember the actual event?
- 393. Alexia: yeah
- 394. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was? Was it hosted by an organization?
- 395. **Alexia**: it was by an organization.
- 396. **Interviewer:** One of the organizations you were involved with?
- 397. **Alexia**: no. It wasn't in school it was in church.
- 398. **Interviewer:** So same process, you called somebody to find out what you missed?
- 399. Alexia: my sister contacted me and told me about it.
- 400. **Interviewer:** And how did she contact you?
- 401. **Alexia**: phone.
- 402. **Interviewer:** And from the time she contacted you to the time you went and were involved, how much time was that?
- 403. **Alexia**: one week.
- 404. **Interviewer:** So one week in advance she contacts you about it?
- 405. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 406. **Interviewer:** So between the time she contacted you and informed you about it up to the day of the cultural social, what means of communication was used?
- 407. **Alexia**: the phone.
- 408. **Interviewer:** And how often?
- 409. **Alexia**: uh, maybe three times within the week.
- 410. **Interviewer:** And the phone calls were about what do you remember?
- 411. **Alexia**: everything. Because we talked about everything else.
- 412. **Interviewer:** So this was like casual calls not about organizing this event?
- 413. Alexia: yeah it's not about.
- 414. **Interviewer:** Just talking and chatting?
- 415. Alexia: yeah
- 416. **Interviewer:** So you just showed up?
- 417. Alexia: uh hm.
- 418. **Interviewer:** Dancing, when was the last time you went dancing?
- 419. **Alexia**: ok, I have dancing but um, I have it as a social event. Not like, I have other entertainment which is something I do regularly.
- 420. **Interviewer:** And fitness and social?
- 421. Alexia: and fitness and social.
- 422. **Interviewer:** When was the last instance that you can recall vividly of dancing?
- 423. **Alexia**: yesterday.
- 424. **Interviewer:** With friends or strangers or by yourself?
- 425. **Alexia**: both, with friends its different.
- 426. **Interviewer:** Did you try to invite friends or did you intend to just go by yourself?
- 427. **Alexia**:no because that's for a social event. I'm just putting dance moves together for a social event.
- 428. **Interviewer:** Dining out, when was the last time you went dining out?
- 429. **Alexia**: a week ago.
- 430. **Interviewer:** And you went with friends?
- 431. Alexia: yes.

- 432. **Interviewer:** How many of you went out together?
- 433. **Alexia**: it's with friends and other people. But usually I go with friends.
- 434. **Interviewer:** Do you remember how many people total were involved? Was it less than 10?
- 435. **Alexia**: definitely more than that.
- 436. **Interviewer:** Less than 20?
- 437. **Alexia**: more than that. About 40.
- 438. Interviewer: Was this involving an organization or church of something?
- 439. Alexia: yeah it was an organization.
- 440. **Interviewer:** One of the ones you're a member of in school?
- 441. Alexia: no.
- 442. **Interviewer:** Which organization?
- 443. **Alexia**: it's a church organization.
- 444. **Interviewer:** So more like a potluck in a sense?
- 445. Alexia: no. Potluck?
- 446. **Interviewer:** Like a picnic.
- 447. **Alexia**: oh no, not that. It was at a restaurant.
- 448. **Interviewer:** How long ago was this?
- 449. Alexia: about a week ago.
- 450. **Interviewer:** And how did you find out about it.
- 451. **Alexia**: the main organizer just told different, like different groups came together. So the main organizer told the different groups and then this one person from each group that's in charge of the main personnel.
- 452. **Interviewer:** So you were contacted by one of the people assigned to contact other people?
- 453. Alexia: yes
- 454. **Interviewer:** So it was an organizer who had helpers who contacted everyone?
- 455. Alexia: right.
- 456. **Interviewer:** So any information you needed you would contact the person who contacted you? Or would you contact the organizer?
- 457. **Alexia**: the person who contacted me.
- 458. **Interviewer:** And you knew this person personally?
- 459. Alexia: yes.
- 460. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance like the time you were contact up to the time you went to this dinning out that it happened. How much time was that?
- 461. **Alexia**: a month.
- 462. **Interviewer:** This was all done by phone?
- 463. **Alexia**: face to face.
- 464. **Interviewer:** Primarily face to face?
- 465. **Alexia**: yes
- 466. **Interviewer:** So there really wasn't any phone calling, texting, or anything like that?
- 467. **Alexia**: not really.
- 468. **Interviewer:** Gardening, you garden alone?
- 469. Alexia: yeah.
- 470. **Interviewer:** Have you ever tried to invite friends?
- 471. **Alexia**: no
- 472. **Interviewer:** How did you learn about gardening?
- 473. **Alexia**: I learned when I was younger.
- 474. **Interviewer:** Younger by your parents?
- 475. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 476. **Interviewer:** Gymnastics, you do gymnastics?
- 477. Alexia: yes.
- 478. **Interviewer:** By yourself?
- 479. Alexia: yes.
- 480. **Interviewer:** Have you ever done with anyone or with friends? In a class with strangers?
- 481. Alexia: yeah.

- 482. **Interviewer:** What kind of gymnastics do you do?
- 483. **Alexia**: um. Like flips.
- 484. **Interviewer:** Flips so tumbling?
- 485. **Alexia**: tumbling?
- 486. **Interviewer:** Like back flips, tucks.
- 487. **Alexia**: yeah. A little bit but not that good.
- 488. **Interviewer:** Mostly just tumbling?
- 489. Alexia: yeah.
- 490. **Interviewer:** How long have you been doing gymnastics?
- 491. **Alexia**: it's kind of sporadic like once in a while. It's not something I do consistently.
- 492. **Interviewer:** You learned on your own or you went to a class?
- 493. **Alexia**: I learned in high school. I was in pep squad and that's basically what we did.
- 494. **Interviewer:** Cheerleading? That kind of thing?
- 495. **Alexia**: nope, pep squad. It's a little different from cheerleading. It's just a bunch of gymnastic moves.
- 496. **Interviewer:** So when you were in pep squad did you all get together to practice?
- 497. **Alexia**: yep, everyday after school.
- 498. **Interviewer:** So the coordination was, not really coordination you just knew practice was this time everyday?
- 499. Alexia: yeah.
- 500. **Interviewer:** Driving, so you don't drive currently?
- 501. **Alexia**: no.
- 502. **Interviewer:** You have a license though?
- 503. Alexia: yeah.
- 504. **Interviewer:** Lets say that if you were going to drive, which I guess means you would either lease or buy a car, describe to me the process you would go through in trying to find a car to purchase?
- 505. **Alexia**: hmm, I'd probably look at the models of the car see what design I like first. I look at the outside first before I go into the inside. And then after I'll see what key features they have. Actually I'm in the process of buying a car so I guess I can describe to you what I'm doing in that process. I um, selecting the kind of design I like. I um, I kind of look at the key features. Which ones are important to me and which ones I can do without. And then after I have a list of the ones that I would consider, I then look at my pocket and see how much I can put in.
- 506. **Interviewer:** You mean pay and buy?
- 507. **Alexia**: yeah. Put down for a down payment and fees and all that stuff. And then after that I'd go and to like some of the websites that um, sell brand new and used cars to see like, to match those ones I have selected but how much I have to spend.
- 508. **Interviewer:** Um, you mentioned about putting a design together and so forth so how do you do that? Do you use a technology or do you go to books, look it up on books or go to a website?
- 509. **Alexia**: I go on a website, like the main company's website.
- 510. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on the Internet the actual process. You don't' have to do the whole thing but say just the sample. The particular site you have to go to.
- 511. Alexia: ok so I'm in google. And I type. Hmmm, I don't see a keyword. Hmm, how did I get this?
- 512. **Interviewer:** You never see this?
- 513. **Alexia**: it's not it's it's.....
- 514. **Interviewer:** Not the site?
- 515. **Alexia**: yeah. I usually just type Honda and whatever website it takes me to.
- 516. **Interviewer:** So you have a preference towards Hondas?
- 517. Alexia: yeah I like Hondas.
- 518. **Interviewer:** Ok, so you usually go on the internet and you would go to like the, you would search for Honda?
- 519. Alexia: yeah.
- 520. **Interviewer:** And you'd usually click on the first link, which is probably their website?
- 521. **Alexia**: yeah let me look up Toyota. This is the one I did recently. I like their site, it's a little simplier than the rest.
- 522. **Interviewer:** Toyota's?

- 523. **Alexia**: yeah because they have things easily. So like I go under cars because I know that I'm looking for cars. And I wanted this because I recently read like the specifics. And looking at the Honda Ice. There's something that the Toyota website doesn't quite have but I think the Nissan has. They have like, this section where I can go through and do an estimate. Like if put this much as a down payment and I have this much percent I know what my credit is pretty much like. How much I can put down.
- 524. **Interviewer:** So you can put down how much you can pay per month and they let you know what car, like how much per month for a certain period of time?
- 525. **Alexia**: any um. I enter in any amount that I want to spend in a car. So it tells me like, and I write down how much I have to put down for down payment. And it would tell me with this many percent tax, this is how much I'm expected to contribute monthly to be able to see if that car within really 3-4 months. 36, 48, and 72 months. So like I have the model, I have the car that I want so I go to model. And see that they have different models. I click this one, and then I go to pictures and specs. And that's where I see, um. I see what the car costs me. What optional. Because an option in one car dealer can be a standard in another car dealer so it can be an extra feature I know that I would get.
- 526. **Interviewer:** For standards and save you money?
- 527. Alexia: uh hm.
- 528. **Interviewer:** So you actually go across multiple, different car sites. Usually the big name car brands, the ones that typically have good reviews like most people drive them. And you mentioned what you like about Nissan's site is that you can do sort of a calculation of how much per month based on what you can spend.
- 529. **Alexia**: uh hm.
- 530. **Interviewer:** But you noticed that some of the other one's don't offer that/
- 531. **Alexia**: not off the website.
- 532. **Interviewer:** So for each site there's qualities that you like about it but others you don't.
- 533. **Alexia**: yeah like, the Toyota for example it's very simple like the way they present everything. They don't give you all the bank the way they present with the system.
- 534. **Interviewer:** So do you often face challenges in using these sites to find what you're looking for?
- 535. **Alexia**: sometimes yeah. And what I usually do is like um try to see if there's a contact number there and call to see if there's a technical person who can explain things that I don't understand there.
- 536. **Interviewer:** Alright. Um, hiking. You say you would like to do hiking?
- 537. **Alexia**: uh hm.
- 538. **Interviewer:** You would like to do by yourself?
- 539. **Alexia**: with friends. Just to race and see who's going to get somewhere first.
- 540. **Interviewer:** And would you have a problem doning it with strangers?
- 541. **Alexia**: um. Not really. If they experience just in competitive mode. If they're doing it for fun I might get bored and not do it.
- 542. **Interviewer:** So it's more of the challenge of who can get there faster than the other?
- 543. **Alexia**: uh hm.
- 544. **Interviewer:** So say if you wanted to go hiking, can you describe to me the process you would go about trying to make that happen to go hiking?
- 545. **Alexia**: um find a place I would want to go hiking. The day. The time. And then probably call people and see who's available at those times.
- 546. **Interviewer:** So you would try to get friends together and such. Have you thought of to look and see if there's already hiking trips that exist and are available and just sort of like an open group type thing?
- 547. **Alexia**: um. Well I wouldn't make my idea definite. Because I would rather do it with friends. But if somebody else has another suggestion like maybe we should try something like taking a trip somewhere. Like a known location that's better for hiking then I would be open to that idea but usually I would like to do the background work first.
- 548. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance would you want to plan for something like that?
- 549. **Alexia**: probably a month in advance. Like people who can get days off and stuff.

- 550. **Interviewer:** And would you use any other means of communicating or coordinating that other than the phone calls?
- 551. **Alexia**: email.
- 552. **Interviewer:** Email?
- 553. **Alexia**: uh hm.
- 554. **Interviewer:** Ok so some of the friends you have, they use email. And different than the people in your arts and crafts club?
- 555. Alexia: yeah.
- 556. Interviewer: So email. Any other means? Would you use any of your social networking sites?
- 557. **Alexia**: like Facebook?
- 558. **Interviewer:** Yeah Facebook or hi5?
- 559. **Alexia**: no not really.
- 560. **Interviewer:** Would you use texting at all?
- 561. **Alexia**: texting.
- 562. **Interviewer:** But which would you use first though? What would be your first line...
- 563. **Alexia**:phone call.
- 564. **Interviewer:** Ok and second to that would then be what?
- 565. **Alexia**: um, if we're meeting then face to face definitely. I prefer that. And then, I usually like if it's just family or really close friends, we only use texting like if we're waiting for somebody to see if they are close by or something.
- 566. **Interviewer:** So usually the day of the thing happening?
- 567. **Alexia**: yeah like the day of the event.
- 568. **Interviewer:** But if it's, like say that month and its days, weeks ahead of time. Would you use texting to coordinate communication?
- 569. Alexia: yeah, any means.
- 570. **Interviewer:** By any means?
- 571. **Alexia**: uh hm.
- 572. **Interviewer:** So it would be phone calling primarily.
- 573. **Alexia**: phone call primarily.
- 574. **Interviewer:** Texting, under what circumstances would texting be used?
- 575. **Alexia**: ah, say the phone is off. And the person might not see the miss call.
- 576. **Interviewer:** Alternative to phone calling if that doesn't go through right? The texting?
- 577. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 578. **Interviewer:** Is there any other alternative to the texting if that's...or is that usually by then it's the most....
- 579. **Alexia**: it's usually, yeah.
- 580. **Interviewer:** You mention email. So when would you decide to use email?
- 581. **Alexia**: if I have the idea and the place and everything, I'd call first and then after that I'd send an email just so they can also look through the information themselves. So it's not just me telling them about the location and everything they can also see it.
- 582. **Interviewer:** How many people do you think you would invite?
- 583. **Alexia**: probably 5.
- 584. **Interviewer:** So you would call each of those 5 people?
- 585. Alexia: uh hm.
- 586. **Interviewer:** And once you get information on whether they can come and they have to think about it and such, you would then email them the details? Your initial details?
- 587. **Alexia**: I'd call and email the details, like shortly. Just to see, ok because I've had events that I've tried to coordinate. And people say they didn't want to show up but once they saw the email they like, 'ok, I really like this. Maybe I should go.'
- 588. **Interviewer:** What activities has this happened to you?
- 589. **Alexia**: um. Going to a concert. Once it was just like ah. Um how do you say, like a band. Going to see a band. But just going on the website and reading more about and seeing who's there, who's actually playing and what um, the time and the location I guess. Half of them change their mind because they thought it would be a place that's difficult to get by like parking difficulties and all that stuff.

- 590. **Interviewer:** So when they talk to you, you talk about some of the same stuff and they say 'nah I'm not interested.' So even when they said they weren't interested you still sent them the email?
- 591. Alexia: yeah
- 592. **Interviewer:** In case they change their mind?
- 593. **Alexia**: yeah
- 594. **Interviewer:** And they changed their mind. Because they were able to go to someplace like a website or something, get information and see for themselves.
- 595. Alexia: uh hm.
- 596. **Interviewer:** Has this happened for anything else other than concerts for you?
- 597. **Alexia**: um, I didn't put it down I just remember it. Um, The Great Adventure.
- 598. **Interviewer:** Ok so amusement parks?
- 599. Alexia: yeah.
- 600. **Interviewer:** So phone call they initially said no.
- 601. Alexia: yeah.
- 602. **Interviewer:** And then you sent an email and they said yes?
- 603. Alexia: yes.
- 604. **Interviewer:** And they came?
- 605. Alexia: yes.
- 606. **Interviewer:** So you mentioning, if you called this person. Lets say out of the five people for hiking, you'd call them. Would you then email them individually or would you email the whole group of 5?
- 607. **Alexia**: the whole group.
- 608. **Interviewer:** So you do this after talking to all 5 people?
- 609. Alexia: yeah.
- 610. So you would email even the people who said yes, no, and maybe?
- 611. Alexia: yes.
- 612. **Interviewer:** House party, when was the last time you were at a house party?
- 613. Alexia: I'm not sure. Um, house party? December.
- 614. Interviewer: Do you remember who's idea it was for the house party?
- 615. Alexia: ah, a friend of mine just said she's on her way to a house party and asked do you want to go?
- 616. **Interviewer:** The person who had the idea were they the main organizer?
- 617. **Alexia**: no.
- 618. **Interviewer:** Who organized the house party?
- 619. **Alexia**: the person's family member.
- 620. **Interviewer:** So it was his idea. He or she?
- 621. **Alexia**: it's a she actually.
- 622. **Interviewer:** So it's her idea?
- 623. Alexia: uh hm.
- 624. Interviewer: But her family organized it?
- 625. **Alexia**: yeah she was just inviting me to come.
- 626. **Interviewer:** So her family members were inviting other people?
- 627. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 628. **Interviewer:** And how did your friend contact you about it?
- 629. Alexia: phone.
- 630. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did she contact you about it?
- 631. **Alexia**: a week and a half or two weeks?
- 632. One in a half to two weeks??
- 633. Alexia: yeah.
- 634. **Interviewer:** And during that period of time of one and a half to two weeks, was there any other means of communication used...
- 635. **Alexia**: besides phone?
- 636. Interviewer: Yeah.
- 637. **Alexia**: no.

- 638. **Interviewer:** And was there multiple phone conversations involving coordinating or getting details about the house party?
- 639. **Alexia**: like 3-way conversation you mean?
- 640. Interviewer: For example she calls you 'hey you want to come?' And did you say yes initially
- 641. Alexia: yeah
- 642. **Interviewer:** And then was there any other, like you called her or she called you with information about when, where, change in time, or anything rgarding this house party coming up?
- 643. **Alexia**: well. Since I don't know the family like we just talk on a regular basis so it's not. We have a lot of communication but it's not specific to house parties.
- 644. **Interviewer:** So the day of did, was there any talk on the phone about.....
- 645. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 646. **Interviewer:** And do you usually see her face to face?
- 647. Alexia: yeah.
- 648. **Interviewer:** With jogging you say you jog with friends?
- 649. Alexia: yes.
- 650. **Interviewer:** So when was the last time you went jogging with a friend?
- 651. **Alexia**: this summer.
- 652. **Interviewer:** How many friends do you usually jog with?
- 653. **Alexia**: like 4.
- 654. **Interviewer:** All at once?
- 655. Alexia: yeah.
- 656. **Interviewer:** Who's idea is it usually to go jogging?
- 657. Alexia: um. One of my friend's idea.
- 658. **Interviewer:** Is it a different friend each time?
- 659. **Alexia**: no the same one.
- 660. **Interviewer:** So she has the idea, he or she?
- 661. **Alexia**: she.
- 662. **Interviewer:** And does she organize that jogging activity event?
- 663. Alexia: yeah.
- 664. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance does she contact you about it?
- 665. Alexia: probably a week.
- 666. **Interviewer:** And this is how? How does she contact you?
- 667. Alexia: face to face.
- 668. **Interviewer:** Does she do that with the other three people, or is it two?
- 669. **Alexia**: not all the time...
- 670. **Interviewer:** A total of you is 5 that run.
- 671. **Alexia**: no the total is 4.
- 672. **Interviewer:** So the other two, do you know them?
- 673. Alexia: yeah.
- 674. **Interviewer:** And it's usually the same people?
- 675. **Alexia**: yeah the same people.
- 676. **Interviewer:** So your friend who comes up with the idea and is the organizer....
- 677. **Alexia**: but that's because she does it regularly. And we only do it in the summer time. So I just let her know if she's going jogging in the summer time to let me know.
- 678. **Interviewer:** It's usually the same day, same time?
- 679. Alexia: yeah.
- 680. **Interviewer:** And it's usually coordinated by phone?
- 681. Alexia: face to face.
- 682. **Interviewer:** Movie watching, when was the lsat time you went movie watching?
- 683. Alexia: a week ago.
- 684. **Interviewer:** With friends?
- 685. **Alexia**: family.
- 686. **Interviewer:** How many of you total?
- 687. Alexia: 3.

- 688. **Interviewer:** You mention here with strangers so, can you tell me in what situations you movie watch with strangers?
- 689. **Alexia**: if there's a group. Um, like a social group. For example like um. Like in school like we have movie events or movie night. And usually like the people who are in the social group will invite outsiders who are not part of the group.
- 690. **Interviewer:** So the last time you went with your family who's idea was it to go?
- 691. Alexia: one of my sisters.
- 692. **Interviewer:** And did she organize it with the rest of the family or someone else took responsibility of that?
- 693. Alexia: I pretty much organized it.
- 694. **Interviewer:** You did?
- 695. Alexia: yeah.
- 696. **Interviewer:** So it was her idea. And she contacted you?
- 697. Alexia: yeah
- 698. **Interviewer:** How?
- 699. Alexia: phone.
- 700. Interviewer: And how far in advance?
- 701. Alexia: um. The time was changed a couple of times so. For the actual event for the time?
- 702. **Interviewer:** Now from the moment she contacted you for the idea up to you actually going how far in advance was it?
- 703. **Alexia**: about 3 weeks.
- 704. **Interviewer:** And so you mentioned there was always a change of time?
- 705. Alexia: right.
- 706. **Interviewer:** So how was the means of communication?
- 707. Alexia: phone
- 708. **Interviewer:** All phone?
  - **Alexia**: yeah
- 709. **Interviewer:** And who kept changing the time? You or her or somebody else?
- 710. Alexia: somebody else.
- 711. **Interviewer:** So other than her, like who was involved in the phone conversation and coordination? Was it you and her?
- 712. **Alexia**: no um I usually call and have a linkage because I have a 3-way on my phone so there will be three of us on the phone discussing like when this person or that person is available.
- 713. **Interviewer:** Would it usually be you, your sister who had the idea, and another person?
- 714. Alexia: yeah.
- 715. **Interviewer:** Each time?
- 716. **Alexia**: yeah. Each time when I talk about the time and location.
- 717. **Interviewer:** And how frequently was the time and location changed?
- 718. **Alexia**: it was only changed once.
- 719. Interviewer: But how many times did you have to do a three way conversation to coordinate...
- 720. **Alexia**: three times.
- 721. **Interviewer:** Did you feel there were any challenges involved in that whole process of coordinating?
- 722. **Alexia**: it's just scheduling. Like if she was like one or more persons is free then another person is free.
- 723. **Interviewer:** You consider it pretty easy, there weren't really any challenges or complications?
- 724. **Alexia**: nah. I think because it's just 3 people. 6 more than maybe, but definitely not.
- 725. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a museum?
- 726. Alexia: summer.
- 727. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went?
- 728. **Alexia**: um. 8.
- 729. **Interviewer:** All friends?
- 730. **Alexia**: all family.
- 731. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was to go to the museum?

- 732. **Alexia**: it was a coordinated idea. We had a list of things we wanted to do. And museum just fell under it.
- 733. **Interviewer:** So it was kind of a group effort?
- 734. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 735. **Interviewer:** Was it in a way a type of polling? Like people would give there, I'm interested in going to this?
- 736. **Alexia**: hmm, I never thought of it in that way.
- 737. **Interviewer:** Since you said it was essentially coordinated, was it one person or a group of people who kind of threw in ideas and put down the agenda?
- 738. Alexia: it's me and two other family member who pretty much coordinated everything.
- 739. **Interviewer:** 3 then?
- 740. Alexia: yeah.
- 741. Interviewer: So when you coordinated, what means of communication did you use?
- 742. **Alexia**: face to face. A lot of face to face although not that often.
- 743. **Interviewer:** When you were coordinating was it just within you 3 or did you go and talk with other people in the group who was planning to go about where to go, what to do, what's going to be on the agenda?
- 744. Alexia: um. You mean like about....
- 745. **Interviewer:** There's 3 of you that organized it but a total of 8 went.
- 746. Alexia: uh hm.
- 747. **Interviewer:** So I'm asking if the three of you kind of within your group of 3 coordinated everything. Meaning you decided, where the whole group is going to go, what time. And the other 5 people that were coming really weren't involved at all they just received the information. Or did you three interact with the other 5 to get their opinions or get there ideas, and then you went back to the three of you deciding among, sort of a poll of what people want to do, and then deciding this is what were going to do.
- 748. **Alexia**: well we came up with the idea and while we discussed it we brought it up to them. And they're were like, yeah definitely they'd like to go. So we pretty much um. We decide what day was most convenient for us and who's available on those days and since they said yes. Basically most of what we coordinated was um, be able to leave together and get there together because once we were at the museum we were 'ok, everyone go their separate ways but we meet back at this time.'
- 749. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance was that planned?
- 750. **Alexia**: about a week in advance.
- 751. **Interviewer:** Music, with friends and strangers. Play music or listen to music?
- 752. **Alexia**: listen to music. And play.
- 753. **Interviewer:** Lets discuss with listening. Do you usually listen with friends?
- 754. **Alexia**: no.
- 755. **Interviewer:** So just by yourself with headphones. So playing you actually play instruments?
- 756. **Alexia**: drums.
- 757. **Interviewer:** And do you play with friends? Like a band type session or anything?
- 758. Alexia: yeah.
- 759. **Interviewer:** And how many of you are usually involved in that?
- 760. **Alexia**: 6.
- 761. **Interviewer:** Six total?
- 762. Alexia: uh hm.
- 763. **Interviewer:** Is it a regular routine?
- 764. Alexia: yes.
- 765. **Interviewer:** So once a week or a couple times a month?
- 766. **Alexia**: twice a week.
- 767. **Interviewer:** So it's not much of an idea but you get together?
- 768. Alexia: yeah.
- 769. **Interviewer:** So what means of communication is involved? Like how do you all coordinate when, what time, is it a set day and time?
- 770. **Alexia**: yeah it's set, it's kind of set.

- 771. **Interviewer:** Is there any means of communication used in between? Or do you all just know to show up?
- 772. **Alexia**: well since they kind of started before I joined them so I just know to show up. And usually if there's like any day that a lot of people like won't be able to make it, we say the week before or the. Like the meeting before that meeting that we're not going to have it.
- 773. **Interviewer:** So face to face you say we're not having so don't bother to come or whatever?
- 774. Alexia: yeah.
- 775. **Interviewer:** With music with strangers, how do you do music with strangers?
- 776. **Alexia**: with strangers, sometimes they invite people to watch.
- 777. **Interviewer:** To the sessions?
- 778. Alexia: yeah
- 779. **Interviewer:** So how do you coordinate with them? Do you bring any people? **Alexia**: no.
- 780. **Interviewer:** So they bring people. Do you know how they go about bringing them?
- 781. **Alexia**: um sometimes their friends.
- 782. **Interviewer:** Ok so call or text, or whatever they do to coordinate.
- 783. **Alexia**: yeah, I guess.
- 784. **Interviewer:** You mention here politics with friends. So like you discuss and talk about politics?
- 785. Alexia: uh hm.
- 786. **Interviewer:** You probably don't arrange for that it's in discussion?
- 787. **Alexia**: just in discussion, comes up.
- 788. **Interviewer:** Is it always face to face or is there other times when it's something other than...
- 789. Alexia: face to face or phone.
- 790. **Interviewer:** Professional, BMES. You do with friends and strangers so strangers that are in the club....
- 791. **Alexia**: and conference yeah.
- 792. **Interviewer:** And with friends, so basically like meetings and things like that?
- 793. Alexia: uh hm.
- 794. **Interviewer:** Is there any coordination used for doing things with BMES?
- 795. Alexia: facebook, email. Um, flyers.
- 796. **Interviewer:** So the ones that organize it are usually the executive board.
- 797. Alexia: right.
- 798. **Interviewer:** So can you show me on facebook like the process you go to get information and find out about things that go on with BMES?
- 799. **Alexia**: there's an announcement. I forgot my password because I have it saved on my computer at home so I don't even have to login.
- 800. **Interviewer:** Let's say you did log in. So where on your page would you then go afterwards?
- 801. Alexia: announcement.
- 802. **Interviewer:** So BMES has a facebook group?
- 803. Alexia: yeah.
- 804. **Interviewer:** The announcement what would that be? A bulletin board of things like invitations, invites, events?
- 805. Alexia: they have events. Um. Ok like facebook like recently updated their site so....
- 806. **Interviewer:** I'll log in. Let's pretend that I logged in.
- 807. **Alexia**: ok see here?
- 808. **Interviewer:** Like this kind of announcement?
- 809. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 810. **Interviewer:** Alright so you might see something like oh such and such and you click and it's usually an event from BMES.
- 811. **Alexia**: yeah. Like email, sometimes I get an email from my friend like hey here's an event are you going? And I'll just check it.
- 812. **Interviewer:** And so it's sort of like you say I'll attend or not attend?
- 813. **Alexia**: or maybe.

- 814. **Interviewer:** Or maybe, alright. And any information you need to find out you might go back to check to see what's there?
- 815. Alexia: yeah.
- 816. **Interviewer:** Reading. You read with friends and with strangers?
- 817. **Alexia**: it depends on what we're reading.
- 818. **Interviewer:** So like school related?
- 819. **Alexia**: if it's school related I tend to read by myself.
- 820. Interviewer: And education just like educational purposes in mind?
- 821. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 822. **Interviewer:** By yourself or with friend?
- 823. **Alexia**: ok. If I um. If it's something that I think I need to get more information on maybe I don't understand a certain topic. Then I call up one or two friends and like ask them um, hey do you want to stay late can discuss it? And we pick a time and place usually around school and discuss it.
- 824. **Interviewer:** How do you first coordinate that, how do you communicate that?
- 825. **Alexia**: I usually phone call.
- 826. **Interviewer:** And you do this a certain time in advance or is it done kind of instantaneously or immediately or day of or day before?
- 827. Alexia: I call and see when the person is available. It depends on my schedule.
- 828. **Interviewer:** You say religious so something like bible study?
- 829. Alexia: yes.
- 830. **Interviewer:** Is that actually bible study at your church?
- 831. Alexia: no.
- 832. **Interviewer:** So personal...
- 833. **Alexia**: at different people's home.
- 834. **Interviewer:** And how is that coordinate?
- 835. **Alexia**: um. I usually call or like, another person calls. To see when the people are available and when they can meet and then we pick somebody's house soon that's mainly in the center of those who can make it.
- 836. **Interviewer:** And on average how many people are involved or in terms of calling them or anything else?
- 837. **Alexia**: about 7 people.
- 838. **Interviewer:** So you call all 7 of them or you kind of talk to someone and have it spread around?
- 839. **Alexia**: just 1 or 2.
- 840. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance is this plan?
- 841. **Alexia**: um, 2 to 3 days. Because it's like also a regular meeting so all we have to decide is like a person's place and a time.
- 842. **Interviewer:** Political, do you get together with friends or strangers to talk about political things?
- 843. **Alexia**: it's not um. It depends on what happens.
- 844. **Interviewer:** Shopping, when was the last time you went shopping with friends?
- 845. **Alexia**: um, shopping with friends. I think in December to get something for a baby shower.
- 846. **Interviewer:** You say fitness for shopping? You categorize it as fitness?
- 847. Alexia: yeah.
- 848. **Interviewer:** So you went out with a friend to buy something for a baby shower. How many of you went?
- 849. **Alexia**: just two of us.
- 850. **Interviewer:** And do you remember who's idea it was to...
- 851. **Alexia**: to buy something?
- 852. Interviewer: Yeah.
- 853. **Alexia**: I don't remember it kind of came up in a conversation. We were thinking about going there and what to get him. Maybe we should go and shopping but we will see.
- 854. **Interviewer:** What was the means of communication?
- 855. **Alexia**: phone call.
- 856. **Interviewer:** And do you know how far in advance?

- 857. **Alexia**: maybe a couple of days. I can't remember exactly.
- 858. **Interviewer:** And do you remember how long ago it was?
- 859. Alexia: it was. The last baby shower is, when I think about it was December I think.
- 860. **Interviewer:** Do you remember who called who first?
- 861. **Alexia**: I think she called me first.
- 862. **Interviewer:** Soccer, you play soccer with friends and strangers?
- 863. Alexia: uh hm.
- 864. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played soccer?
- 865. **Alexia**: last two years in summer.
- 866. **Interviewer:** With friends and strangers? Just a group?
- 867. Alexia: yeah.
- 868. **Interviewer:** The people there were friends you knew?
- 869. **Alexia**: yeah.
- 870. **Interviewer:** And how did you find out about it?
- 871. Alexia: I just walked around campus and I saw them play in the field and I asked if I can join them.
- 872. **Interviewer:** So you got involved by just walking around being there and face to face kind of emerge yourself into it?
- 873. Alexia: yeah.
- 874. **Interviewer:** Swimming, when was the last time you went swimming?
- 875. **Alexia**: summer.
- 876. **Interviewer:** In the swimming pool at NJIT?
- 877. **Alexia**: no I don't swim there.
- 878. **Interviewer:** When you went swimming you went with friends?
- 879. **Alexia**: yeah
- 880. **Interviewer:** How many total went swimming?
- 881. **Alexia**: 5.
- 882. Interviewer: And do you recall who's idea it was?
- 883. Alexia: um, it wasn't mine.
- 884. Interviewer: So one of your friends, one of your friends contacted you?
- 885. Alexia: yeah.
- 886. **Interviewer:** How so?
- 887. **Alexia**: um, phone. And email.
- 888. **Interviewer:** How far in advance from the moment the person told you about it to the time you all went swimming, how much time was that?
- 889. Alexia: a week.
- 890. **Interviewer:** So it was planned one week in advance?
- 891. Alexia: yeah.
- 892. **Interviewer:** So one of your friends contacted you by phone and email. So what happened, she called you and asked do you want to go?
- 893. **Alexia**: I think yeah but I want to see how big the pool is.
- 894. **Interviewer:** So she sent you an email?
- 895. Alexia: uh hm.
- 896. **Interviewer:** What was in the email?
- 897. **Alexia**: it was just basically information on the website.
- 898. **Interviewer:** And that's how you made your decision on whether you would go?
- 899. **Alexia**: well. Well I was a maybe before.
- 900. **Interviewer:** When did you decide you were definitely going to go?
- 901. Alexia: after I saw it.
- 902. **Interviewer:** And were there other means of communication done within that week before going swimming?
- 903. **Alexia**: um, just phone calls.
- 904. **Interviewer:** About it or just casual phone calls with friends?
- 905. **Alexia**: casual phone calls, yeah.

- 906. **Interviewer:** Tae kwon do you say you would like to do?
- 907. Alexia: yes.
- 908. **Interviewer:** So say you wanted to do Tae Kwon Do can you describe to me the process you would go about trying to do Tae Kwon Do?
- 909. **Alexia**: I'll probably see if there's any around where I live. And then I'll call them to see how much they charge. And I'll probably pick based on which one is closest to me. And like how big the place is.
- 910. Interviewer: So you would walk around and explore?
- 911. Alexia: I would like to walk around the place.
- 912. Interviewer: So you would walk around the place and you would explore to see what's around you?
- 913. Alexia: yeah.
- 914. Interviewer: Any other means you would try to find a place for Tae Kwon Do?
- 915. Alexia: nah.
- 916. **Interviewer:** So you'd find a dojo or school nearby.
- 917. **Alexia**: yeah. I'd look at the listing to see where it is.
- 918. **Interviewer:** Listing how?
- 919. Alexia: online.
- 920. Interviewer: What sites would you go to?
- 921. **Alexia**: I'd just google.
- 922. **Interviewer:** Google it and see what you find?
- 923. **Alexia**: with the city name.
- 924. Interviewer: With Tae Kwon Do and see what you find.
- 925. Alexia: yeah.
- 926. **Interviewer:** And would you try to invite friends or would you go on your own?
- 927. **Alexia**: I'd go on my own first. If I like it then I'll invite friends.
- 928. **Interviewer:** Tennis, when was the last time you played tennis?
- 929. Alexia: um. It's been a long time. I had tennis as table tennis. What do you call it?
- 930. **Interviewer:** Ping pong.
- 931. **Alexia**: ping poing.
- 932. **Interviewer:** So how long ago was that?
- 933. Alexia: that was last year summer.
- 934. **Interviewer:** And how many friends did you play with?
- 935. **Alexia**: three.
- 936. Interviewer: And do you know who's idea it was to play ping pong?
- 937. **Alexia**: um. I just saw them playing and I asked hey, can I try?
- 938. **Interviewer:** Try or join?
- 939. Alexia: yeah.
- 940. **Interviewer:** So face to face and the moment of that right?
- 941. Alexia: yeah.
- 942. **Interviewer:** Volunteer, when was the last time you volunteered?
- 943. **Alexia**: um I kind of mentioned that in the beginning when I talked about teaching and community work. That's what I do on a regular basis.
- 944. **Interviewer:** And the same thing with teaching?
- 945. Alexia: yeah.

## **Figure B.5** Interview with Subject 5.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Calvin:** This is my fourth year.
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Calvin:** Information Intelligence
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you an undergraduate?
- 6. **Calvin:** Yes
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. **Calvin:** Yes
- 9. **Interviewer:** What is your current occupation?
- 10. Calvin: Assistant Admin.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or commute?
- 12. **Calvin:** I have been living on campus since freshman year.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 14. **Calvin:** Roommates
- 15. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 16. **Calvin:** Right now, three
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use a networking site like facebook or my space?
- 18. Calvin: Yes
- 19. **Interviewer:** Which one?
- 20. **Calvin:** I use spacebook
- 21. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 22. **Calvin:** No, I am not big on networking sites.
- 23. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 24. Calvin: I check it maybe once a day.
- 25. **Interviewer:** How long are you usually on when you check once a day?
- 26. **Calvin:** At most if there is something there, maybe 10 or 15 minutes.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications like on your Droid Shop?
- 28. **Calvin:** Yes, I use some from the Droid Shop.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Are there any social mobile applications that allow you to see people around you or anything of social interaction with others?
- 30. Calvin: There is one from e-body, which allows me to get amps like IM's and stuff.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Any others that your use?
- 32. **Calvin:** For social networking, no I don't think so.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Just mostly from e-body?
- 34. Calvin: yes
- 35. **Interviewer:** All the others are like games or something?
- 36. Calvin: Games, and stuff that makes my life easier like scheduling stuff and other things.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Describe to me some of the scheduling type.
- 38. **Calvin:** There is one that I use called Fligtap that lets me set a bunch of tasks that I have to do and the dates. There is the news, weather, and maps.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Is this like the google map sort of thing?
- 40. **Calvin:** Yes, I have a couple for finding movies and restaurants in the area, my e-mails, text messaging, and the web.
- 41. **Interviewer:** In reference to the movies and restaurant is that just to find information and not a way to coordinate with friends?
- 42. **Calvin:** No, just finding a restaurant.
- 43. **Interviewer:** How often do you use your mobile applications?
- 44. **Calvin:** I use at least one everyday.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Do you use a different one?
- 46. **Calvin:** I am saying a day does not go by that I have nor used a mobile application.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself as one with a lot of free time on campus?
- 48. **Calvin:** Not really with work, school, and everything.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on and of campus?
- 50. **Interviewer:** Not many but some, I am involved with the NJIT Radio.

- 51. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 52. **Calvin:** I used to be with ACM.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Did you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 54. **Calvin:** Yes, working with the radio and being with friends.
- 55. **Interviewer:** You say here you would like to do horseback riding. Have you ever done horse back riding?
- 56. **Calvin:** Yes I have.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Can you tell me about the last time you did horseback riding?
- 58. **Calvin:** I was 14 away at summer camp where they had horseback riding.
- 59. **Interviewer:** If you wanted to go horseback riding, what process would you go through in finding a way to go horseback riding?
- 60. **Calvin:** I am not sure. I would probably google "Where to go horseback riding":
- 61. **Interviewer:** Would you do that on a laptop, desktop, or on your phone?
- 62. **Calvin:** That depends on where I am. If it pops in my head where I am I would probably use the phone. I would use the computer if I were on the computer.
- 63. **Interviewer:** You said you would use Google, would that be your first instinct?
- 64. **Calvin:** Yes, or Bing.
- 65. **Interviewer:** What is so popular about Bing?
- 66. **Calvin:** It is made by Microsoft so it is incorporated into Internet explorer. Microsoft advertises it heavily but it is actually not as good as Google.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Is this because of product association?
- 68. Calvin: Yes
- 69. **Interviewer:** Can you show me how you would search for that information? **Calvin:** I would type in the information and try the first couple of links.
- 70. **Interviewer:** Would you just go as far as the first page or first few links?
- 71. **Calvin:** Usually, the way I am logged into my computer, my g-mail and everything, my search settings have the first pages of 100's listing so I don't go past the first page because of that.
- 72. **Interviewer:** What did you say about your g-mail?
- 73. **Calvin:** It is logged into Google.
- 74. **Interviewer:** So, you can see your mail?
- 75. Calvin: Yes
- 76. **Interviewer:** Does Google have something way you can log into your account and see a search? Are you referring to a desktop or laptop when you login?
- 77. **Calvin:** Yes, you can go to Google and set your specific search settings.
- 78. **Interviewer:** So, the search goes on even if you are not using it or is it only when you are logged into the computer?
- 79. **Calvin:** Only when you are logged into your account you can set your search settings. This is joined in with your g-mail and everything else. As soon as you are logged into the account you are logged into the search.
- 80. **Interviewer:** Does it do the search for you based on the criteria you use?
- 81. **Calvin:** It says I want moderate filtering or I want this many items displayed.
- 82. **Interviewer:** If you find a place to your liking, what would you do next?
- 83. **Calvin:** If I find a place to my liking, I would probably look at the site and find out how much it will be, when it is, and make the appointment if I definitely want to do it.
- 84. **Interviewer:** That is if all of that information was there?
- 85. **Calvin:** Yes
- 86. **Interviewer:** What if all of that information was not there? What would you do?
- 87. **Calvin:** I would go to another website and look again. Eventually, if I could not find anything I would not be interested anymore unless it was something I just had to do.
- 88. **Interviewer:** So it would only go as far as a Google search or what you could find?
- 89. **Calvin:** Considering that particular subject, I would not know any other steps to go further on that. For example, if I wanted to go and see a movie. I would go to the internet or I would check a newspaper or talk to someone who has seen the movie to find out where to go see it, something like that.

- 90. **Interviewer:** In terms of this subject, for example, horseback. If you went to a site and they did not have all the information in terms of specific rates or location but they had a phone number, would you call them?
- 91. Calvin: Yes
- 92. **Interviewer:** Based on this subject, you would go as far as the Gooogle search you would find? You would not ask friends or walk around in your environment or look at a listing in the newspaper?
- 93. **Calvin:** Based on this particular subject I would not know who to talk too. I know people who want to do it but no one who is active in doing it.
- 94. **Interviewer:** If you did find a place to go, would you invite friends or go by yourself?
- 95. **Calvin:** I would probably invite some friends because it is more fun to do things with other people. If no one wanted to go, I would probably go by myself.
- 96. **Interviewer:** Can you tell me the last time you were at a house party?
- 97. **Calvin:** Does that include Frat Parties?
- 98. **Interviewer:** Yes, the very last instance you were at a house or fraternity party.
- 99. **Interviewer:** Last Thursday or Friday.
- 100. **Interviewer:** This was sponsored by a fraternity?
- 101. Calvin: Yes
- 102. **Interviewer:** Are you a member of a fraternity?
- 103. **Calvin:** No
- 104. **Interviewer:** How many of you went?
- 105. Calvin: I went with four people and one was my girlfriend.
- 106. **Interviewer:** Do you know whose idea it was to go to this party?
- 107. **Calvin:** It was something we had talked about. We had spoken to some of the brothers at the house and they told us about it. We had nothing better to do that night so we went.
- 108. **Interviewer:** Is this usually face-to-face?
- 109. Calvin: Sometimes it is face to face and sometimes facebook.
- 110. **Interviewer:** With the facebook is it sent from someone in your group, a personal message or is it pushed from a facebook event?
- 111. **Calvin:** It varies, if it is a small party with very close people they know, they might invite us personally. If it is a big party, like a St. Patrick's Day event, they will send out a big invite for event.
- 112. **Interviewer:** Is this usually through facebook?
- 113. **Calvin:** Yes, facebook
- 114. **Interviewer:** Does the fraternity have a facebook group?
- 115. Calvin: Yes
- 116. **Interviewer:** When there is a big event like St. Patrick's Day, they would create an event out of it and send an invite?
- 117. Calvin: Yes, they would invite all the friends on the list and all the friends on the brother's list.
- 118. **Interviewer:** If it was more intimate you said your friends would get a personal invite, would it be face to face?
- 119. **Calvin:** Yes, I see at least one brother from the house almost everyday. I know a bunch of them. I would see them at dinner or walk by them and they would mention they are having a party, or they are having a small gathering over facebook telling us to come on down.
- 120. **Interviewer:** In this particular instance that took place last Thursday, do you remember how you found out about it?
- 121. Calvin: That was through a facebook event.
- 122. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was that sent?
- 123. **Calvin:** I am not sure, a couple of weeks maybe.
- 124. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means of communication between you and your girlfriend or group of friends about attending this event?
- 125. **Calvin:** We talked several days before the event about attending.
- 126. **Interviewer:** Was this done face to face?
- 127. Calvin: Yes
- 128. **Interviewer:** You met together and went to the party or did you meet at the party?
- 129. **Calvin:** We dorm on campus so we got together on campus and went to the party.
- 130. **Interviewer:** Was the main means of communication a facebook event?

- 131. Calvin: Facebook, face to face, and IM
- 132. **Interviewer:** What was the purpose for using IM?
- 133. Calvin: Just to manage little details like, I am heading down now, where we are meeting.
- 134. **Interviewer:** Did you use facebook on IM or a client?
- 135. Calvin: A variation between AOL and texting on the phone.
- 136. **Interviewer:** Can you use your phone for this IM communication?
- 137. Calvin: Yes
- 138. **Interviewer:** Did you use your phone or desktop for the house party?
- 139. Calvin: I used a phone
- 140. **Interviewer:** You mentioned hunting, when was the last time you went hunting?
- 141. Calvin: A long time ago when I was a kid.
- 142. **Interviewer:** Can you recall or remember those times you went hunting?
- 143. Calvin: Most of them
- 144. **Interviewer:** Was it with a family member or friend?
- 145. **Calvin:** I went with my stepfather.
- 146. **Interviewer:** It was mostly face-to-face coordination.
- 147. Calvin: Yes
- 148. **Interviewer:** You said you would like to go jet skiing.
- 149. Calvin: Yes
- 150. **Interviewer:** Have you been jet skiing?
- 151. Calvin: No
- 152. **Interviewer:** If you had to go jet skiing what would be your process of getting information?
- 153. **Calvin:** Probably the same as horseback riding. I would go on line search for it, find the cost and location.
- 154. **Interviewer:** Is your interest more in jet skiing or horseback riding?
- 155. **Calvin:** I would probably have to try it to give you a full answer. I could see myself liking it more because it sounds more exciting.
- 156. **Interviewer:** Essentially, would you devote the same amount of effort in finding out about jet skiing as you would horseback riding?
- 157. Calvin: Yes
- 158. **Interviewer:** Jogging, would you go by yourself?
- 159. Calvin: I prefer to go with someone else but I don't have that much time to exercise.
- 160. **Interviewer:** If you were to start jogging, you said you would do it with friends?
- 161. **Calvin:** I would do it alone if I wanted to get into shape. I would rather jog with someone else that way you will have someone to talk too and keep pace with to challenge yourself.
- 162. **Interviewer:** If you were planning a particular day and time to go jogging, how would you go about contacting a friend or friends to see if they are interested in coming with you? Describe your process.
- 163. **Calvin:** I would call, text or IM someone that day to see if they were busy at that time or day to see if they would want to go.
- 164. **Interviewer:** What would be your first instinct?
- 165. **Calvin:** I would start with IM, texting, and the closer I got to the date I would call. I would get an immediate response with the call.
- 166. **Interviewer:** If you were near a computer (desktop or laptop), would you still do it in that order of IM, texting, and calling?
- 167. **Calvin:** Most likely, yes.
- 168. **Interviewer:** If you were on the go somewhere and all you had was your phone and no computer nearby, would it still be in that order?
- 169. Calvin: Yes
- 170. **Interviewer:** Would you still do texting if they were not online for a chat?
- 171. Calvin: Yes
- 172. **Interviewer:** What would be your reason for phone calling following a text?

- 173. **Calvin:** If it was getting closer to that time. I use phone calling for an immediate response or something like that. If I were going out in 20 minutes, I would call someone and say I was going out and see if they would want to come with me.
- 174. **Interviewer:** In reference to texting, what would be your urgency or span of time?
- 175. **Calvin:** If I had a day or a few hours.
- 176. **Interviewer:** If you had more time and it was not immediate you would text/
- 177. **Calvin:** Yes, IM would be longer than that.
- 178. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you coordinate with a friend about the matter of jogging?
- 179. Calvin: Jogging! Maybe a day or two.
- 180. **Interviewer:** You would IM text a day before the event?
- 181. Calvin: Yes
- 182. **Interviewer:** You say that you like to try kick boxing. Would you follow the same process of looking for a place?
- 183. Calvin: I would prefer a place. I would talk to my friends to see if they are interested.
- 184. **Interviewer:** Remind be again about the horseback riding. Would you invite friends or go by yourself the first time?
- 185. Calvin: I would look for it, figure out all of the details, and invite friends to see if they want to go.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Would this be the same with kick boxing?
- 187. Calvin: Yes
- 188. **Interviewer:** What would be your process? Would it be similar to the jogging in coordination?
- 189. **Calvin:** I would plan a little bit sooner since horseback riding would be more of a commitment than jogging. I would plan a week or so in advance to coordinate it all.
- 190. **Interviewer:** Would you probably ask just a few close friends?
- 191. **Calvin:** I would ask people who would be interest in something like that.
- 192. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would start contacting friends about kick boxing?
- 193. Calvin: A week or so.
- 194. **Interviewer:** What would be the process and the technology you would use?
- 195. **Calvin:** I think it would be the same process just an earlier time.
- 196. **Interviewer:** If your friends could not go with you, would you still go after all the planning you have put together?
- 197. **Calvin:** Probably not. You have to do all the training and it would not interest me that much to do it by myself. I would not put that much commitment into it.
- 198. **Interviewer:** Say your friends expressed an interest but the day and time you have planned is not convenient for them and they got back to you with a better or different time would you switch your plans to that time?
- 199. **Calvin:** If I could, yes.
- 200. **Interviewer:** You are interested in kungfu which is similar to kick boxing, would you use the same process?
- 201. Calvin: Yes
- 202. **Interviewer:** Would you use the same process with mount biking?
- 203. Calvin: Yes, but I would go mount biking by myself if no once else wanted to go.
- 204. **Interviewer:** Would you go mount biking around your home or look for a place that has trails?
- 205. Calvin: I would go to a forest.
- 206. **Interviewer:** What would be your process in planning to go on a mountain bike trip?
- 207. **Calvin:** Probably similar to everything else, start online and move to asking people who might know a place to bike.
- 208. **Interviewer:** Have you actually been mountain biking?
- 209. Calvin: Yes
- 210. **Interviewer:** Can you recall the last time you did that?
- 211. Calvin: Back in high school.
- 212. **Interviewer:** Can you remember an estimate of how many people went with you at that time?
- 213. **Calvin:** Maybe 2 or 3.

- 214. **Interviewer:** Do you recall how that was planned? Was it discussed face to face?
- 215. **Calvin:** This was 4 or 5 years ago before most major social networking things. We were friends in high school and just decided to go mount biking.
- 216. **Interviewer:** Do you know how far in advance they planned?
- 217. **Calvin:** We planned the day before or the day off. High school students don't really think that kind of stuff through.
- 218. **Interviewer:** You talked about watching movies with strangers and friends. The part with strangers is that when you go with someone who invites friends you don't know?
- 219. Calvin: I was thinking of going to the movie theatre and finding yourself surrounded by strangers.
- 220. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went movie watching?
- 221. Calvin: A week or two ago.
- 222. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go?
- 223. Calvin: My idea.
- 224. Interviewer: How far in advance did you plan from the time you had the idea until the actual event?
- 225. **Calvin:** Probably several hours. I spent some time with my girlfriend and other plans fell through. There was a movie we wanted to see so we went.
- 226. **Interviewer:** How many of you, just two?
- 227. Calvin: Yes
- 228. Interviewer: It was your idea and you contacted her about the movie.
- 229. Calvin: Yes
- 230. **Interviewer:** What means did you use to contact her?
- 231. Calvin: I called her. I figured out the movie time through phone applications.
- 232. **Interviewer:** Did you check the movie information before or after calling her?
- 233. **Calvin:** Before calling I figured out a few places nearby and I called and told her the times and places so we narrowed it down from there.
- 234. **Interviewer:** Did you feel there were any complications in deciding on where to go?
- 235. Calvin: Not really. She got off from work at a certain time and we went from that point on.
- 236. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to a museum with friends?
- 237. **Calvin:** I went with my girlfriend back in February.
- 238. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose idea it was?
- 239. Calvin: I am not sure. I think one of us brought it up at one point.
- 240. **Interviewer:** What means was used to communicate going to the museum?
- 241. Calvin: Probably over IM.
- 242. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you coordinate?
- 243. Calvin: Probably a week or so. We spent the whole day with a variety of things.
- 244. **Interviewer:** What were the other things you were planning to do?
- 245. **Calvin:** We went out to dinner and walked around New York City for awhile. She wanted to go window shopping and stuff like that.
- 246. **Interviewer:** This was planned and coordinated throughout the day?
- 247. Calvin: Yes
- 248. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you listened to music or went out to a venue that played music?
- 249. Calvin: Listening to a woman on the radio we put together a whole concert last Friday.
- 250. **Interviewer:** Something like a radio station with track after track?
- 251. Calvin: Yes
- 252. **Interviewer:** Was this with friends?
- 253. Calvin: Friends of the station and other people involved with the station.
- 254. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose Idea it was to for this particular event?
- 255. **Calvin:** The station manager.
- 256. **Interviewer:** Did he communicate this to you face to face?
- 257. **Calvin:** Face to face and then through e-mail to confirm.
- 258. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 259. **Calvin:** This was planned months in advance.

- 260. **Interviewer:** From the time he brought it up until the time it happened, was all of this communicated through e-mail?
- 261. Calvin: It was mostly face to face to talk about stuff and confirmation through e-mail.
- 262. **Interviewer:** Was the use of e-mail throughout these months of planning a gradual process or sporadically?
- 263. **Calvin:** It was consistently one or two e-mails a week confirming what bands had been booked and where it was going to take place.
- 264. **Interviewer:** The e-mails were confirming tiny details of the event?
- 265. Calvin: Yes
- 266. **Interviewer:** You had to get a live band to come to the event?
- 267. Calvin: Yes, this was a live concert.
- 268. **Interviewer:** So this was live not planning music?
- 269. Calvin: Yes
- 270. **Interviewer:** Did you get the equipment from certain departments?
- 271. Calvin: Yes, we had the equipment.
- 272. **Interviewer:** So, the bands had to confirm they were coming?
- 273. **Calvin:** Yes, there was one person talking to the bands and another person talking to the band confirming information with the school.
- 274. **Interviewer:** Did you feel any complications during the coordination process?
- 275. **Calvin:** When planning any event things can go wrong such as technical errors. Communication wise we were on top of it. Most of the people onboard or in charge were friends so we were able to talk to each other once a day.
- 276. **Interviewer:** Did the face to face help?
- 277. Calvin: Yes
- 278. **Interviewer:** Obviously this was a lot of work.
- 279. Calvin: Yes
- 280. **Interviewer:** Did at any point people feel as though this would have been easier if they had some type of support such as technology that could have been used? For example, a previous subject said she had called eleven people and it would have been easier to make just one phone call to contact all parties. Did you feel any parts of this coordination process was repetitive or that there was an easier way to do this?
- 281. **Calvin:** We had a weekly meeting every Tuesday. Probably if there was another way to do the meeting without everyone having to physically be there, that would make things a little easier.
- 282. **Interviewer:** Not having to meet face to face.
- 283. **Calvin:** It gave us a chance to talk about things but it would have been easier if we had other ways to discuss the information since we have such busy lives.
- 284. **Interviewer:** Reading: Do you read by yourself?
- 285. Calvin: Yes, at school and leisurely and I also read on my phone.
- 286. **Interviewer:** Does one of the applications on your phone allow you to do this?
- 287. Calvin: Yes
- 288. **Interviewer:** What is the application called?
- 289. Calvin: It is called Ladiko.
- 290. **Interviewer:** Scuba diving: When was the last time you went scuba diving?
- 291. Calvin: Probably three years ago.
- 292. **Interviewer:** How many people went?
- 293. Calvin: My father and I plus 6 strangers.
- 294. **Interviewer:** Was this sponsored by some company?
- 295. Calvin: No, we have a certification for diving so we go out on a boat with the equipment.
- 296. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go scuba diving?
- 297. Calvin: It was my fathers ideas to get certified to go scuba diving.
- 298. **Interviewer:** He shared this with you about scuba diving. How far in advance from the time you went?

- 299. **Interviewer:** Going back to when we first became certified, he brought it up and a couple of weeks later he found a course. From thereon it was the whole process of getting certified. Anytime we could go on vacation, we could go scuba diving.
- 300. **Interviewer:** How long of a period does it take for the certification?
- 301. **Calvin:** It takes 8 classes once a week which is 2 months.
- 302. **Interviewer:** How did he first communicate with you about scuba diving and becoming certified?
- 303. Calvin: We communicated face to face.
- 304. **Interviewer:** How did the two of you coordinate going to the certification class?
- 305. **Calvin:** It was the same time every week. The first time it was face to face. He told me about the class and from that time on I knew what to do.
- 306. **Interviewer:** You met together and then went to the class.
- 307. Calvin: Yes
- 308. **Interviewer:** How did your father coordinate with you the scuba diving trip you took with strangers?
- 309. Calvin: It was face to face.
- 310. **Interviewer:** Was it at home?
- 311. Calvin: I think so. It was face to face or over the phone, I can't remember exactly.
- 312. **Interviewer:** You said you would like to go skydiving. Would you use the same process starting with the internet?
- 313. Calvin: Yes, I would start with the internet.
- 314. Interviewer: Would you call friend to go and if they could not participate would you lose interest?
- 315. Calvin: I would not go skydiving alone. I would need someone there with me for encouragement.
- 316. **Interviewer:** Would you consider doing this alone by yourself?
- 317. **Calvin:** I would consider it but I would prefer to go with others.
- 318. **Interviewer:** Soccer. When was the last time you played soccer?
- 319. **Calvin:** Maybe last year.
- 320. **Interviewer:** Was it here on campus? Do you recall if it was a pick up or you passed by and jumped in later?
- 321. Calvin: Yes, one of my roommates had a soccer ball and we just went to play.
- 322. **Interviewer:** This was decided the day off?
- 323. Calvin: Yes
- 324. **Interviewer:** Did strangers join you in the game?
- 325. Calvin: Yes, we started playing and other joined in with us.
- 326. **Interviewer:** Did your group invite them to play or did they ask?
- 327. **Calvin:** I think they asked to play with us.
- 328. **Interviewer:** Swimming. When was the last time you went swimming.
- 329. Calvin: One year ago.
- 330. **Interviewer:** Was this decided the same day or planned in advance?
- 331. Calvin: I was taking a gym class in swimming.
- 332. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the class?
- 333. **Calvin:** Looking on the registry.
- 334. **Interviewer:** Did you and your friends discuss signing up for this class or did they just happen to be in the same class?
- 335. **Calvin:** We discussed it. I took the class with my roommate and another friend who just happened to take the same class.
- 336. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to take the swimming class?
- 337. **Calvin:** We wanted to take a gym class together so we were just looking through the registry. We found a class that would certify us to be a lifeguard so we just took it.
- 338. **Interviewer:** Was there a span of time spent coordinating this?
- 339. **Calvin:** Not really, just spare of the moment while registering.
- 340. **Interviewer:** During this spare of the moment, what means of communication was used? Where you all together?

- 341. **Calvin:** It was face to face because my roommate and I were talking about it and the other friend just happened to be in the class.
- 342. **Interviewer:** All of you went to the same computer to register for the class.
- 343. Calvin: Yes
- 344. **Interviewer:** Traveling: Would you like to travel?
- 345. Calvin: Yes
- 346. **Interviewer:** Would you travel overseas or cross- country?
- 347. Calvin: I would like to go different places to see different things.
- 348. **Interviewer:** After searching for information on the internet would you go with or without your friends?
- 349. **Calvin:** I might go without my friends depending on where I am going and I would ask other people where to go based on where they have been. I would refer to travel brochures.
- 350. **Interviewer:** What would be your first course of action? Would you talk to people or search the internet?
- 351. **Calvin:** For something like that, I would talk to people to get first hand experience and then go online for information.
- 352. **Interviewer:** You would talk to people you know?
- 353. Calvin: Yes
- 354. **Interviewer:** If you had a place in mind you would talk to as many people as you know who have been there.
- 355. Calvin: Yes
- 356. **Interviewer:** You would talk to people you know followed by the internet. Are there any others?
- 357. **Calvin:** Travel brochures, refer to people who have tips about different places, and information on websites.
- 358. **Interviewer:** Would you find out all of this information before contacting your friends?
- 359. **Calvin:** I would talk to people who would be interested in traveling first to see if they would like to go instead of searching for the information unless it was a place I would really like to go.
- 360. **Interviewer:** If this were your original idea, would you plan for it or ask someone else?
- 361. Calvin: I would prefer to have someone else plan for it so I could enjoy the trip itself.
- 362. **Interviewer:** Would you take this action for any of the other activities you have mentioned or just for this particular activity?
- 363. **Calvin:** If someone else wanted to take over the planning I would let them do it, if not, I would do it myself.
- 364. **Interviewer:** You would like to do badminton with strangers or friends?
- 365. **Calvin:** Friends or strangers, it really doesn't matter.
- 366. **Interviewer:** In terms of badminton, what would be your process?
- 367. **Calvin:** I would probably do it hear at school. I would check on the registry for gym classes or grab a friend to see if they would like to go to the gym and get the equipment to play.
- 368. **Interviewer:** Would you be willing to play with strangers?
- 369. Calvin: Yes
- 370. **Interviewer:** If there were people at the gym playing badminton and you could not bring a friend, would you still play?
- 371. Calvin: If I got there and someone was already playing, I would play.
- 372. **Interviewer:** Would you ask to play or stick around to see if someone would ask you?
- 373. **Calvin:** I would probably stick around to see if anyone is sitting around and ask someone about plalying.
- 374. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a bar?
- 375. **Calvin:** Probably last month.
- 376. **Interviewer:** Were you with friends at the time? Was the stranger part with people at the bar?
- 377. **Calvin:** Yes, we made friends with the people at the bar.
- 378. **Interviewer:** When did this take place?
- 379. Calvin: St. Patrick's Day
- 380. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go to the bar?

- 381. Calvin: I went with my girlfriend. Since it was St. Patrick's Day we decided to go out that evening.
- 382. **Interviewer:** Was it just the two of you?
- 383. Calvin: Yes, later on we met friends at a house party.
- 384. **Interviewer:** Initially when you and your girlfriend talked about going out, do you recall whose ideas it was at the time?
- 385. Calvin: It was St. Patrick's Day so she did most of the planning.
- 386. Interviewer: What form of communication did you use?
- 387. Calvin: Phone, IM, and texting.
- 388. **Interviewer:** Was it in that order?
- 389. Calvin: I can't remember the specifics.
- 390. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you discuss all of this?
- 391. **Calvin:** Once we had the idea, she made the plans in a couple of days of which places would have happy hour and doing activities.
- 392. **Interviewer:** In what order did you use your forms of communication?
- 393. **Calvin:** We used IM when we first started talking about the event then texting, calls, and face to face.
- 394. **Interviewer:** In basketball would you want to do it with friends and strangers?
- 395. Calvin: Yes
- 396. **Interviewer:** What about biking?
- 397. Calvin: I would just do it around my house and if I could grab a friend I would.
- 398. **Interviewer:** Would you do the same thing with boxing?
- 399. **Calvin:** That is on the same level as kickboxing. I would like to do it with a friend but if no one is that interested I would not put much effort into it.
- 400. **Interviewer:** What about cars?
- 401. **Calvin:** I am not really sure about that one.
- 402. **Interviewer:** What about auto shows?
- 403. Calvin: I would appreciate an auto show. I went with my dad and cousin.
- 404. Interviewer: Was this communicated mostly face to face?
- 405. Calvin: Yes
- 406. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance?
- 407. Calvin: Yes
- 408. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you attended a concert?
- 409. Calvin: Last semester
- 410. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to the concert?
- 411. Calvin: Seven or eight of us attended.
- 412. **Interviewer:** Can you recall whose ideas it was to attend?
- 413. Calvin: A friend of a friend told him about the concert. He told me and we started planning.
- 414. Interviewer: What means of communication did you and your friend use?
- 415. Calvin: When he first told me about it, we used the phone and later texting.
- 416. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?
- 417. **Calvin:** A couple of weeks.
- 418. **Interviewer:** Do you recall between that two week period of time which means of communication was used more?
- 419. Calvin: I think it was mostly phone calls.
- 420. **Interviewer:** Was the phone used for an immediate response?
- 421. **Calvin:** Yes, he told me about it and we talked on a daily basis.
- 422. **Interviewer:** When did you use the texting?
- 423. Calvin: We used texting after the concert and shortly before trying to coordinate our location.
- 424. **Interviewer:** Who were the people attending the concert with you?
- 425. Calvin: My friend, friends of friends, and strangers.
- 426. **Interviewer:** The friend who invited you, did he invite other mutual friends?
- 427. Calvin: Yes
- 428. **Interviewer:** Was he the organizer?

- 429. Calvin: Yes
- 430. **Interviewer:** All the information you needed came through your friend and the others received information from the same friend.
- 431. Calvin: Yes.
- 432. **Interviewer:** Cooking. When was the last time you cooked?
- 433. **Calvin:** This weekend.
- 434. **Interviewer:** Did you share this with a friend?
- 435. Calvin: Yes, my girlfriend.
- 436. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance?
- 437. Calvin: We just went to the shop and purchased what we were in the mood for eating.
- 438. **Interviewer:** Are you interested in playing cricket?
- 439. Calvin: Yes
- 440. **Interviewer:** In regards to cricket, would the process of playing the game be different from the other activities?
- 441. **Calvin:** It would be similar to badminton and basketball. I would see if it is offered here at NJIT. Otherwise I would see if there were friends interested
- 442. **Interviewer:** Would it matter if they did or did not know how to play?
- 443. **Calvin:** I would probably look for someone who knew how to play. I would go online to research the rules or we would just make them up as we played.
- 444. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining out?
- 445. **Calvin:** A month ago.
- 446. **Interviewer:** How many people went with you?
- 447. **Calvin:** Just my girlfriend.
- 448. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 449. **Calvin:** Probably a week or two.
- 450. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was this?
- 451. Calvin: My idea.
- 452. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with her about it?
- 453. **Calvin:** When I first introduced the idea it was face-to-face. Afterward it was through IM, text messaging, and phone.
- 454. **Interviewer:** Throughout that period of time it was a mixed of those and not one in particular.
- 455. Calvin: Yes, I don't call people as much as I text or use IM.
- 456. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went drinking?
- 457. Calvin: Thursday
- 458. **Interviewer:** Was this at the fraternity house party?
- 459. Calvin: Yes
- 460. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went driving?
- 461. Calvin: A week or two ago.
- 462. **Interviewer:** Do you have a car?
- 463. **Calvin:** I drive my girlfriend's car.
- 464. **Interviewer:** Did you have to coordinate with her plans to get the car?
- 465. **Calvin:** We went to a wedding, She drove to the wedding but since she wanted to drink after the wedding, I drove home. This was communicated face-to-face.
- 466. **Interviewer:** Is filming and directing something you want to do?
- 467. Calvin: Yes
- 468. **Interviewer:** What would be your process for that?
- 469. **Calvin:** Contacting friends to see if they would be interested in that, finding out the type of equipment we would need, and go online to search for strangers we would need for actual contact.
- 470. **Interviewer:** Would you buy or rent the equipment?

- 471. **Calvin:** I would rent it because it would be cheaper. If I could borrow the equipment that would be better otherwise I would buy if I had the money.
- 472. **Interviewer:** You said that you would go online and find actors or people who would be involved with the filming.
- 473. Calvin: Actors are always looking for work so I am sure there are websites with listings.
- 474. **Interviewer:** Would you start with Google?
- 475. Calvin: Yes
- 476. **Interviewer:** Would you use anything like Craig's List?
- 477. **Calvin:** Craig's List is always a gamble so I would use something more reliable.
- 478. **Interviewer:** Would you use your social networking sites like facebook?
- 479. Calvin: I would probably use facebook.
- 480. **Interviewer:** If you use facebook, what would you do on facebook?
- 481. **Calvin:** I would start looking for people like my friends on facebook. Then I would use Google if I could not find enough people interested.
- 482. **Interviewer:** Would you message them on facebook or post on your feed?
- 483. **Calvin:** I would post on the feed or make some kind of page or event so that I could span everyone and talk to as many people as possible.
- 484. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went fishing?
- 485. Calvin: A year ago.
- 486. Interviewer: How many people were involved?
- 487. Calvin: Including myself, three people.
- 488. **Interviewer:** Were they family members or friends?
- 489. Calvin: Friends
- 490. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to go fishing?
- 491. Calvin: The day before one of my friends called to say they wanted to go fishing.
- 492. **Interviewer:** Flying: You said you would like to go flying. Would this be flying a plane or hang gliding?
- 493. **Calvin:** I was thinking more about how to fly a plane.
- 494. **Interviewer:** What would be your process?
- 495. Calvin: Similar to horseback riding.
- 496. **Interviewer:** Would you choose the internet first because you could find information about people who could teach you how to fly?
- 497. Calvin: Yes, I would go online to look for information.
- 498. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played football?
- 499. Calvin: Probably a year ago.
- 500. **Interviewer:** What was the process?
- 501. **Calvin:** The process was the same as football. A couple of friends getting together with face-to-face communication.
- 502. **Interviewer:** Gaming. Is this video gaming or card gaming?
- 503. **Calvin:** Mostly video and pc gaming.
- 504. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played? Was it with friends or strangers?
- 505. Calvin: The last time I played was a week ago with friends.
- 506. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance?
- 507. **Calvin:** Not really. If someone wanted to play a game they would just give me a call or get online to ask be to come over or something.
- 508. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went hiking?
- 509. Calvin: Probably the last time I went camping which was last spring.
- 510. **Interviewer:** How many people went?
- 511. Calvin: I think there were four of us.
- 512. Interviewer: Do you recall whose ideas it was?
- 513. Calvin: One of my friends.

- 514. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did they plan the camping trip?
- 515. Calvin: Several weeks in advance.
- 516. **Interviewer:** What was the means of communication involved with that?
- 517. Calvin: Basically facebook, e-mail and IM.
- 518. **Interviewer:** Was facebook created into an event?
- 519. **Calvin:** It was more like a message.

## Figure B.6 Interview with Subject 6.

- 1. **Interviewer:** Are you a graduate student?
- 2. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 3. **Interviewer:** How many years have you been here?
- 4. **Tiberius:** One year
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Tiberius:** Computer Engineering
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you working?
- 8. **Tiberius:** No
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on or off campus?
- 10. **Tiberius:** off campus
- 11. **Interviewer:** How long does it take you to commute to campus?
- 12. **Tiberius:** By car 15 minutes.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself, with roommates, or family?
- 14. **Tiberius:** I live with roommates.
- 15. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 16. **Tiberius:** I have two roommates.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites such as facebook?
- 18. **Tiberius:** I use facebook
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other social networking websites?
- 20. **Tiberius:** I use Chinese versions of facebook.
- 21. **Interviewer:** What is it called?
- 22. **Tiberius:** Jin Jin
- 23. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 24. **Tiberius:** One hour everyday.
- 25. **Interviewer:** How often do you use Jin Jin?
- 26. **Tiberius:** I spend one hour each day on both of them.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other social networking websites like twitter? Are these the only two you use?
- 28. **Tiberius:** These are the only two I use.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you use any applications on your phone?
- 30. **Tiberius:** No
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you have a lot of free time on campus?
- 32. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 33. **Interviewer:** What do you do on your free time here?
- 34. **Tiberius:** I play basketball, badminton and go swimming.
- 35. **Interviewer:** How often do you pay basketball?
- 36. **Tiberius:** On the weekend for 2 hours.
- 37. **Interviewer:** How often do you go swimming?
- 38. **Tiberius:** Once a week
- 39. **Interviewer:** How often do you play badminton each week?
- 40. **Tiberius:** Once or twice a week.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 42. **Tiberius:** Actually, I play chest with my classmates in computer engineering. I play basketball and badminton on campus with my friend. When you are swimming there are many strangers.
- 43. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball?
- 44. **Tiberius:** I played on Sunday. I usually play every Sunday.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to play basketball?
- 46. **Tiberius:** My friend
- 47. **Interviewer:** How did our friend contact you about playing basketball?
- 48. **Tiberius:** He called me on the phone.
- 49. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he call you about playing basketball?
- 50. **Tiberius:** He called me the same day.
- 51. **Interviewer:** Does he call you each time?

- 52. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 53. **Interviewer:** What time do you guys play on each Sunday?
- 54. **Tiberius:** We play in the afternoon around four o'clock.
- 55. **Interviewer:** How many of you come together to play?
- 56. **Tiberius:** I play with my friend and two other classmates in computer engineering.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Your friend contacts you by phone. Do you know how the other two classmates are contacted?
- 58. **Tiberius:** They just show up.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Does your friend contact everybody in the group or just you?
- 60. **Tiberius:** My friend only contacts me. The others are just there.
- 61. **Interviewer:** When you are playing basketball, do you play with just the four in your group or other people?
- 62. **Tiberius:** We play with other people.
- 63. **Interviewer:** Do you ask them to play basketball or do they ask your group?
- 64. **Tiberius:** We ask them to play.
- 65. **Interviewer:** Does your friend use any other forms of communication to contact you like IM or does he just use the phone?
- 66. **Tiberius:** Most of the time he uses the phone but sometimes he uses MSN.
- 67. **Interviewer:** When does he choose to contact you using MSN?
- 68. **Tiberius:** When both of us are on MSN.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Does he always contact you or do you contact him?
- 70. **Tiberius:** Sometimes I call him about basketball.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Do you chat about meeting for basketball on MSN?
- 72. **Tiberius:** No, we just chat about life and what is going on with us.
- 73. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played badminton?
- 74. **Tiberius:** Last Thursday.
- 75. **Interviewer:** Do you play badminton every week on Thursday?
- 76. **Tiberius:** No every week.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to play badminton on Thursday?
- 78. **Tiberius:** It was my friend's idea.
- 79. **Interviewer:** How did he contact you?
- 80. **Tiberius:** We have the same class so we talked face-to-face. He would ask if I wanted to play badminton after class.
- 81. **Interviewer:** You mentioned that you played badminton once or twice a week.
- 82. **Tiberius:** Last semester we played often.
- 83. **Interviewer:** How many people play badminton with you?
- 84. **Tiberius:** Usually four people.
- 85. **Interviewer:** Do you play with the same or different people?
- 86. **Tiberius:** Sometimes we play with different people.
- 87. **Interviewer:** How did your friend contact you about playing badminton?
- 88. **Tiberius:** Face-to-face or sometimes by phone. Since I had a car last semester we would talk after class so he did not have to contact me by phone all the time.
- 89. **Interviewer:** The few times he has called you. Does he only call the day you want to play or does he call in advance?
- 90. **Tiberius:** He calls the same day.
- 91. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining-out?
- 92. **Tiberius:** Last Thursday
- 93. **Interviewer:** How many people went with you?
- 94. **Tiberius:** 4
- 95. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it?
- 96. **Tiberius:** A friend
- 97. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you about going out for dinner?
- 98. **Tiberius:** He called me on the phone.
- 99. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he call you?

- 100. **Tiberius:** He called me the day before dinner.
- 101. **Interviewer:** Did your friend plan and contact everyone for dinner?
- 102. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 103. **Interviewer:** Did he contact all of you by phone or did he use other forms of social networking?
- 104. **Tiberius:** Just the phone.
- 105. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played video games with your friends?
- 106. **Tiberius:** I play with my friends if they are online or alone.
- 107. **Interviewer:** How do you communicate?
- 108. **Tiberius:** Just MSN
- 109. **Interviewer:** Do you call on the phone?
- 110. Tiberius: No
- 111. **Interviewer:** Do you MSN while playing the game?
- 112. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 113. **Interviewer:** Do you see him on the game? Is there a part of the game where you can see people online?
- 114. **Tiberius:** Yes. Sometimes if he is not on MSN I will try to message him to see if he is there.
- 115. Interviewer: Do you play with strangers?
- 116. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 117. **Interviewer:** Do you ever chat with them?
- 118. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 119. **Interviewer:** Have you ever exchanged phone numbers or met people through this game?
- 120. Tiberius: No
- 121. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to the movies?
- 122. **Tiberius:** I just went with my girlfriend.
- 123. **Interviewer:** The last time you went to the movies, whose idea was it, yours or your girlfriend?
- 124. **Tiberius:** It was my idea.
- 125. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate to her about going to the movie?
- 126. **Tiberius:** I contacted her on the phone.
- 127. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you call her about going to the movie?
- 128. **Tiberius:** A few days in advance.
- 129. **Interviewer:** Did you use the phone only or any other way to communicate with her like e-mail or facebook?
- 130. **Tiberius:** Sometimes we use MSN or Chinese chat.
- 131. **Interviewer:** When you talked on Chinese chat with her, was it about planning for this movie or other things?
- 132. **Tiberius:** It was about other things and the movie.
- 133. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate on the day you went to the movies?
- 134. **Tiberius:** Calling on the phone
- 135. **Interviewer:** Did you have any problems or challenges getting together for the movies?
- 136. **Tiberius:** No
- 137. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went swimming with friends?
- 138. **Tiberius:** Thursday after badminton.
- 139. **Interviewer:** How many people went swimming?
- 140. **Tiberius:** Just one or two.
- 141. **Interviewer:** Did you have your swimming gear with you at the time?
- 142. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 143. **Interviewer:** Did you plan this after badminton?
- 144. **Tiberius:** When my friend called me about badminton he would mention going swimming also.
- 145. **Interviewer:** Are there times when they change their minds and decide to do something else after badminton?
- 146. **Tiberius:** Sometimes we do other things.
- 147. **Interviewer:** You said you liked to go to bars in China.

- 148. **Tiberius:** Yes, I would like to go with friends.
- 149. **Interviewer:** Whose idea would it be to go to a bar?
- 150. **Tiberius:** My idea
- 151. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate with your friends about going to a bar?
- 152. **Tiberius:** I would call
- 153. **Interviewer:** How many people would you call?
- 154. **Tiberius:** Just my friend, only the two of us would go.
- 155. **Interviewer:** When would you call him?
- 156. **Tiberius:** The same day.
- 157. **Interviewer:** If you called on the phone and he said no, would you still go to the bar?
- 158. Tiberius: No
- 159. **Interviewer:** You would only go to a bar with a friend?
- 160. **Tiberius:** Yes
- 161. **Interviewer:** Do you face in challenges in planning to go to a bar with your friend?
- 162. **Tiberius:** No problems
- 163. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were on a chat room talking to strangers?
- 164. **Tiberius:** I just chat when I am on the computer. There is no fixed time.
- 165. **Interviewer:** Do you exchange personal information with people on the chat?
- 166. Tiberius: No
- 167. **Interviewer:** Do you just choose a topic?
- 168. **Tiberius:** Yes, sometimes we just chat about basketball.
- 169. **Interviewer:** If the people in the chat room were talking about a basketball event, would you attend this event?
- 170. **Tiberius:** No
- 171. **Interviewer:** What if the basketball event was in Brooklyn with professional players participating and you were just a spectator, would you attend?
- 172. **Tiberius:** No. I just play with friends on the weekend because I don't always have the time for other events.
- 173. **Interviewer:** If time were not an issue, would you attend?
- 174. **Tiberius:** No
- 175. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were on a website on facebook?
- 176. **Tiberius:** Today after class.
- 177. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate to me what you do when you go on facebook?
- 178. **Tiberius:** I go on the Chinese facebook. I look at pictures and videos on this wall. I check what is going on with my friends and family.
- 179. **Interviewer:** Would you put up your own videos and pictures?
- 180. Tiberius: No
- 181. Interviewer: Do you use facebook to coordinate activities with your friends?
- 182. **Tiberius:** No
- 183. **Interviewer:** You only use facebook to check on what is happening with your friends?
- 184. **Tiberius:** Yes

## **Figure B.7** Interview with Subject 7.

- 1. **Interviewer:** Are you a graduate student?
- 2. **Timothy:** Yes
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your current year?
- 4. **Timothy:** Second year
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Timothy:** Computer Engineering
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. **Timothy:** No
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on or off campus?
- 10. **Timothy:** off campus
- 11. **Interviewer:** How long is your commute from home to campus?
- 12. **Timothy:** 10 to 15 minutes
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live with roommates, family or by yourself?
- 14. **Timothy:** I live with roommates.
- 15. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 16. **Timothy:** 3
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites such as facebook?
- 18. **Timothy:** Yes, I use American and Chinese facebook.
- 19. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 20. **Timothy:** Everyday
- 21. **Interviewer:** How many times a day?
- 22. **Timothy:** I use American facebook every two or three days. I login Chinese facebook two or three times a day.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your cell phone?
- 24. **Timothy:** I use the phone for calling. I do not use texting.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time on campus?
- 26. **Timothy:** Not really
- 27. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 28. Timothy: No
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you participate in your favorite activities on campus?
- 30. **Timothy:** Yes
- 31. **Interviewer:** What are some of the activities you do on campus?
- 32. **Timothy:** I go to the fitness room at the gym and play the piano.
- 33. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did aerobics with friends?
- 34. **Timothy:** Last month
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose idea it was to do aerobics?
- 36. **Timothy:** It was my ideas. Every time it was my idea.
- 37. **Interviewer:** How many people went at that time?
- 38. **Timothy:** Three people not including me.
- 39. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan to go to aerobics?
- 40. **Timothy:** One hour, the same day.
- 41. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your friends about going to aerobics?
- 42. **Timothy:** Actually we made an appointment before class. I have a course every Tuesday night. After that we would go to fitness so this is a habit for us.
- 43. **Interviewer:** Would you meet them there or contact them in advance?
- 44. **Timothy:** We would meet at school and go to the gym together.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Is there a particular place where you would meet before going to the gym?
- 46. **Timothy:** We would meet at the front door of the gym or campus center around two o'clock.
- 47. **Interviewer:** How do you decide where to meet?
- 48. **Timothy:** We would call each other.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Do you call people first or do they sometimes call you?
- 50. **Timothy:** I call them.
- 51. **Interviewer:** Each time you get together for this, you call them an hour in advance?

- 52. **Timothy:** Actually, we notify each other the day before that day about this activity.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Do you discuss any other details?
- 54. **Timothy:** We discuss other things like where to go for dinner later or how the homework has progressed.
- 55. **Interviewer:** This is all done by phone?
- 56. **Timothy:** Almost
- 57. **Interviewer:** What other ways do you all communicate?
- 58. **Timothy:** Usually we have a spot where we get together at Conferee Hall on the second floor in the corner at two tables. If one is not in an activity he will wait for us.
- 59. **Interviewer:** The day before you will contact your two friends by phone to arrange for a meeting the next day?
- 60. **Timothy:** Yes
- 61. **Interviewer:** Does a lot of phone calling occur from the day before up to the moment you will get together to go?
- 62. **Timothy:** No additional calls
- 63. **Interviewer:** So, there are really no challenges in this process of coordinating with your friends?
- 64. **Timothy:** No
- 65. **Interviewer:** You said you would like to do art, is this like painting or drawing? **Timothy:** It is music art.
- 66. Interviewer: You categorized it as Martial Art.
- 67. **Timothy:** I don't have an understanding of Martial Art.
- 68. **Interviewer:** Martial Art is like karate, boxing, or kickboxing.
- 69. **Timothy:** I will categorize it as art.
- 70. **Interviewer:** What in particular would you like to do in art?
- 71. **Timothy:** Play the piano.
- 72. **Interviewer:** Do you play the piano now?
- 73. **Timothy:** Yes
- 74. **Interviewer:** Let's say you want to find a group that also plays the piano, what would you do?
- 75. **Timothy:** I would find a meter around piano and if people want to they would just play the piano. I would go to the piano device itself.
- 76. **Interviewer:** Would you do anything else to get a group?
- 77. **Timothy:** No
- 78. **Interviewer:** So this would consist of playing with other strangers?
- 79. **Timothy:** Yes
- 80. **Interviewer:** Would you do anything other than go to the piano?
- 81. **Timothy:** Sometimes I go to the Campus Center first floor where they have a piano. When others are playing I will wait for them to finish to play. During that time I would sit and listen. In my theory, if his style is one that is familiar to me I will talk to him or discuss the melodies or performance of his playing. If his style is not familiar to me I will just wait until he is done.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Are there times you go and just play the piano by yourself even if others are nearby?
- 83. **Timothy:** Yes
- 84. **Interviewer:** Do you go to the piano at the Campus Center just to play, or do you go to see other people play?
- 85. **Timothy:** I go to play. Sometimes I like to meet other people.
- 86. **Interviewer:** Is there any other way that you will try to meet other people who play the piano with styles that you like?
- 87. **Timothy:** If there is no one there I will just play.
- 88. **Interviewer:** Would you go on a Chinese facebook to look up groups or chat with strangers?
- 89. **Timothy:** No, I would not do that.
- 90. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 91. **Timothy:** Because personally I do not have too much time for that since my major is Computer Engineering. So that is a completely different world. I would spend more time on my major. The piano is only my interest.

- 92. **Interviewer:** Since it is easier to go to the piano here on campus and you would go there to play the piano anyway, it would be easier to meet strangers there than having to go on the internet and go through groups on facebook to look for people?
- 93. **Timothy:** I would join a group if I found one on facebook.
- 94. **Interviewer:** Would you search for the group?
- 95. **Timothy:** No because I don't have time.
- 96. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball?
- 97. **Timothy:** I played yesterday.
- 98. **Interviewer:** How many people played with you?
- 99. **Timothy:** 5
- 100. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose idea it was to play basketball?
- 101. **Timothy:** My roommate
- 102. **Interviewer:** How did your roommate contact you about playing basketball?
- 103. **Timothy:** Actually we were at home and he came to my room to talk about playing basketball.
- 104. **Interviewer:** Did you play at the gym or somewhere else?
- 105. **Timothy:** The gym
- 106. **Interviewer:** Did your roommate contact the other three people?
- 107. **Timothy:** He contacted one of them His friends had planned to play basketball at the gym around three o'clock so he asked me to come alone with him. We drove by car to the gym to play.
- 108. **Interviewer:** You said you would like to go to a concert with friends.
- 109. **Timothy:** Yes
- 110. **Interviewer:** Is there any particular concert you would like to attend?
- 111. **Timothy:** I would like to attend a piano concert. Last year and this year I went to see Won Won a very famous 26-year-old pianist.
- 112. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to the last concert you attended?
- 113. **Timothy:** I went with my friend.
- 114. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to go to the concert?
- 115. **Timothy:** It was my idea.
- 116. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your friend about the concert?
- 117. **Timothy:** We have a communication application with the laptop called SQLU like MSN so I asked her if she wanted to go to the concert.
- 118. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan to attend this concert?
- 119. **Timothy:** Half a month.
- 120. **Interviewer:** From the time you contacted your friend on SQLU until the moment of the actual concert what other means of communication was used?
- 121. **Timothy:** The cell phone.
- 122. **Interviewer:** When was the cell phone used? Was it used throughout that time period?
- 123. **Timothy:** During that time period we were discussing other things and we also talked about the concert. We talked about the concert right before the concert.
- 124. **Interviewer:** You contacted her in the form of an IM first and she said yes. Then you use the phone to coordinate the final plans.
- 125. **Timothy:** Yes
- 126. **Interviewer:** Who made the call the day before the concert?
- 127. **Timothy:** I called her.
- 128. **Interviewer:** Did you talk about the cost of the ticket and meeting her for the payment of the ticket on Instant Messaging?
- 129. **Timothy:** Actually I booked a ticket from the website and I copied the website address and sent it to her.
- 130. **Interviewer:** So, she purchased her own ticket?
- 131. **Timothy:** Yes
- 132. **Interviewer:** Did you invite any other people to the concert?
- 133. **Timothy:** No, just this one friend.
- 134. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to visit museums in other cities.

- 135. **Timothy:** I have been to museums in Philadelphia, Chicago, and Washington, DC.
- 136. **Interviewer:** When was your most recent trip to visit a museum?
- 137. **Timothy:** I went to Chicago. I went to visit my friend who lives in Chicago.
- 138. **Interviewer:** Did you invite any other people to go with you to Chicago?
- 139. **Timothy:** No, I went by myself.
- 140. **Interviewer:** How long of a time period did you and her plan for you to come to Chicago?
- 141. **Timothy:** We planned for several months. During the winter break I was planning to go to Chicago.
- 142. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to visit Chicago?
- 143. **Timothy:** I think it was my idea. I contacted her.
- 144. **Interviewer:** How did you contact her?
- 145. **Timothy:** Calling
- 146. **Interviewer:** From the moment you called her and discussed plans for going to Chicago up to the time you went, what means of communication was used for planning?
- 147. **Timothy:** The cell phone, MSN, and ICQ (Qui Qui).
- 148. **Interviewer:** How often did you use the cell phone in planning for this trip?
- 149. **Timothy:** I called her half a month before going on this trip to discuss plans.
- 150. **Interviewer:** What was the purpose for using MSN in terms of plans to go to Chicago?
- 151. **Timothy:** Just chatting as friends. We did not chat about the trip.
- 152. **Interviewer:** Did you use Qui Qui for the same reason as MSN?
- 153. **Timothy:** Yes
- 154. **Interviewer:** What is Qui Qui and why is it a popular application?
- 155. Timothy: It is an application for video chat. It is very popular in our country. A lot of people use it.
- 156. **Interviewer:** Did you only use the phone to coordinate the details about your trip to Chicago?
- 157. Timothy: Yes
- 158. **Interviewer:** Were the other forms of communication used for chats only and not planning your trip to Chicago?
- 159. **Timothy:** Yes
- 160. **Interviewer:** Tell me about the trip you took before Chicago.
- 161. **Timothy:** It was during winter break when my friend from Chicago visited me. We got together in New Jersey and went to New York to see some museums. We drove to Washington, DC, Philadelphia, and back to New Jersey.
- 162. **Interviewer:** Did anyone else travel with you on this trip?
- 163. **Timothy:** Yes, two other friends came with us.
- 164. **Interviewer:** Whose ideas was it to take this trip?
- 165. **Timothy:** It was her idea. Also, during the winter break I wanted to visit some places.
- 166. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 167. **Timothy:** One month in advance. Her family lives in New Jersey and New York so they had planned with her to go to these places.
- 168. **Interviewer:** How did she contact you about this trip?
- 169. **Timothy:** She contacted me by Qui Qui about the hotel and where to go.
- 170. Interviewer: Was this done all at once or throughout the month discussing the details on Qui Qui?
- 171. **Timothy:** Throughout the month.
- 172. **Interviewer:** Did you use any other forms of communication in coordinating this trip?
- 173. **Timothy:** We used Qui Qui most of the time and the phone the day she arrived. First we went to visit a museum in New York and then we traveled to Washington, DC.
- 174. **Interviewer:** How long did you stay in Washington, DC?
- 175. **Timothy:** We stayed two days.
- 176. **Interviewer:** Where did you go after Washington, DC?
- 177. **Timothy:** We went to Philadelphia. I have a friend in Philadelphia so we stayed one day. After that we went to Princeton and back to New Jersey.
- 178. **Interviewer:** When you visited your friend in Philadelphia, was this a group of four people?
- 179. **Timothy:** Yes
- 180. **Interviewer:** Did you feel there were any complications involved in planning this trip with the group? Was this an easy trip?
- 181. **Timothy:** It was not easy.

- 182. **Interviewer:** What made it difficult?
- 183. **Timothy:** Someone wanted his or her friend to join us but there was no room because we had rented a car with little space. We had to decide that they could not come on the trip because we did not know if we would like them.
- 184. **Interviewer:** Who made the decision that other people could not join your group?
- 185. **Timothy:** My friend from Chicago. The other two people in the group were her friends from Chicago.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Did she make the decision with her other friends from Chicago?
- 187. **Timothy:** No, my friend from Chicago made the decision.
- 188. **Interviewer:** When you wrote down that you wanted to do music were you talking about playing music, listening to music, or playing instruments with friends?
- 189. **Timothy:** I want to play instruments with friends.
- 190. **Interviewer:** Do you actually have some friends who play musical instruments?
- 191. **Timothy:** I have friends who play instruments but they are in China. In America I don't have many friends playing instruments.
- 192. **Interviewer:** In China, do you get together with your friends to play?
- 193. **Timothy:** Yes, we are free to contact each other.
- 194. **Interviewer:** How would you contact each other?
- 195. **Timothy:** We would call on the phone.
- 196. **Interviewer:** Would you call the same day or make plans in advance?
- 197. **Timothy:** We would talk the same day.
- 198. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 199. **Timothy:** In terms of years second as a sophomore and in terms of credit a junior.

## Figure B.8 Interview with Subject 8.

- 1. **Interviewer:** You are an undergraduate?
- 2. Thamar: Yes
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Thamar:** Bionic Engineering
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Thamar:** No
- 7. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 8. **Thamar:** I commute
- 9. **Interviewer:** How far is your commute?
- 10. **Thamar:** 45 minutes
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates or family?
- 12. **Thamar:** I live with my parents.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites like facebook or my space?
- 14. **Thamar:** I had facebook but I deactivated it.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason why?
- 16. **Thamar:** I just didn't' have time for it anymore. I thought it was wasting my time.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Was it taking too much time from other things you needed to do or that you had been bombarded by too many people?
- 18. **Thamar:** It was not that too many people bombarded me but people use it for social activities and not so much for contact anymore because you have your phone for contact and people do not always check their facebook. So people are during it for social fun when they cannot be together. I do my necessary work when I am alone so I can have more quality social time.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you prefer person to person?
- 20. **Thamar:** Yes, so I do not find it necessary to use facebook because there are a lot of other means of communications in terms of social interactions.
- 21. **Interviewer:** Are there any other forms of communication that your have used?
- 22. **Thamar:** I had my space when I was younger. I stopped using it not because of spam but some people were putting out inappropriate pictures so it was not an appropriate environment.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Have you ever used twitter?
- 24. Thamar: No
- 25. **Interviewer:** Have you used any others?
- 26. **Thamar:** I have used forms like message boards.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Are there any particular forms or message boards that you go too?
- 28. **Thamar:** I use one for gaming and one for church.
- 29. **Interviewer:** How often are you on these forms?
- 30. **Thamar:** Probably twice a week with each lasting around 30 minutes depending on how interested I find the topic.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile social applications on your phone?
- 32. **Thamar:** I use it for texting, games, e-mail, and phone calling.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Do you interact or play games with other players?
- 34. **Thamar:** No
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself having a lot of free time at school?
- 36. **Thamar:** Doing parts of the semester I have free time and at other times I do not.
- 37. **Interviewer:** When there is free time during the semester, how do you spend it?
- 38. **Thamar:** I use my time at church because I am a youth teacher there. I watch shows on my computer at the office. I spend time video gaming from home, online with friends, or people will come over.
- 39. **Interviewer:** How often do you participate in these activities when you have free time?
- 40. **Thamar:** It varies based on how busy I am. I may watch an episode of shows on my computer at the office. I may watch three hours of shows on my computer on Sunday when I am not studying for exams. Sometimes I play an hour of video gaming a day. I use these as a stress releaser.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 42. **Thamar:** Yes, the church is one of the main things because they do a lot of activities. We really have a big congregation of 2,000 families so I have my own group of friends and we do things

- together. I take care of the 10<sup>th</sup> graders and we do activities with them. We have bible classes, gatherings, and we have prayers and praises that last for three hours. I am involved in youth meetings and on campus organizations with Rutgers that is church related.
- 43. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in other social activities outside of church?
- 44. **Thamar:** Sometimes I bike with neighborhood kids. I will go bowling, to the movies, and other normal activities with kids that I teach.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 46. **Thamar:** No not really, I hate this campus. I will go to the bowling alley and some of the clubs that are on campus.
- 47. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played badminton with friends?
- 48. **Thamar:** Two weeks ago.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose ideas it was to play badminton?
- 50. **Thamar:** One of my friends.
- 51. **Interviewer:** How did they contact you about playing badminton?
- 52. **Thamar:** We were already together, so face-to-face.
- 53. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 54. **Thamar:** It was planned the same day.
- 55. **Interviewer:** Where did you play?
- 56. **Thamar:** On campus.
- 57. **Interviewer:** How many people in your group played badminton?
- 58. **Thamar:** Four people and the firth one came later.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Was the face-to-face planning done in class or after class?
- 60. **Thamar:** This was planned after class.
- 61. **Interviewer:** You agreed to play after your friend contacted you. How were the other friends contacted?
- 62. **Thamar:** We sent a text to the other friends after we arrived.
- 63. **Interviewer:** Did your friend text the other three players?
- 64. **Thamar:** We sent a text to just two of the friends and the fifth one just came later.
- 65. **Interviewer:** Did the fifth person come while you were playing?
- 66. Thamar: Yes
- 67. **Interviewer:** Did someone text him and he came to play?
- 68. **Thamar:** Yes
- 69. **Interviewer:** Were other people playing badminton at the same time?
- 70. **Thamar:** No, the court was empty.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Did you discuss doing anything after badminton?
- 72. **Thamar:** Yes, we made plans to study for exams, getting food, and getting rides from each other.
- 73. **Interviewer:** What did you do after badminton?
- 74. **Thamar:** We went to eat, we had class, and I drove one of the kids home.
- 75. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used after badminton to make your plans?
- 76. **Thamar:** We used texting. The only people I call are my parents because they do not text.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges to texting? Can you recall a time when you wished there was a better alternative?
- 78. **Thamar:** The only problem I have with texting is when I am driving I cannot use two hands to text even though I know this is against the law. I wished you could just say the message and it would be typed for you. I know voice recognition can be a problem. I know it can be difficult but Microsoft Word has a feature where you narrate a paper and it types as you go. Before that narration they have a way that it develops your voice to the computer. I don't understand why they don't have that on the phones.
- 79. **Interviewer:** What do you feel would be the benefit of having this feature? For example, would it be easier to call that person instead of having to send a message that you speak into text?
- 80. **Thamar:** No, because you are not always guaranteed that they will answer because you do not know about their situation at the time. Since this will work like a chat message, you will have a log to see the text message sent. You will have a history of your message. You cannot do this if you just leave a message. You can see a log but you do not know about the message. This way I can recall what I said especially if someone corrects me on something. For example, if I send someone a

- number and it is the wrong number, I can send the correct number ahead of time because I have a record. If I call them I will probably forget the number as soon as I say it and there is no record.
- 81. **Interviewer:** You can only run one application at a time. If you are texting you could not take a pause from texting and go to another application and when you are done with that go right back to where you left off.
- 82. **Thamar:** Yes I can. For example, let's say I am talking to a friend and I tell them that I am on an interview but in the middle of the interview I remember that I need to call somebody. I just hit the call button, type the number, call someone, and go back to texting and it will have the same information where I stopped before the call. I think the pods on the blackberry are very popular because of that feature.
- 83. **Interviewer:** Do you send multiple text messages to people at the same time or do you just text one person at a time?
- 84. **Thamar:** For the past three and a half years I have been sending out a daily text to a hundred people and there is a program that does that.
- 85. **Interviewer:** Do you get multiple responses back?
- 86. Thamar: Yes
- 87. **Interviewer:** Is that tedious or tiresome for you getting that many messages back at one time?
- 88. **Thamar:** No, I appreciate it.
- 89. **Interviewer:** If you send out a message to 100 people, how many responses do you get back?
- 90. **Thamar:** That depends on the message. Some messages are antagonizing or boring and I may only get 10 responses throughout the day. It is not tedious for me.
- 91. **Interviewer:** Are you willing to play badminton with strangers?
- 92. Thamar: Yes
- 93. **Interviewer:** If you wanted to play badminton and you could not get any of your friends to go, would you still play?
- 94. **Thamar:** Yes, I would go and play.
- 95. **Interviewer:** Let's say you know of a club that was playing on certain days in the gym and people tended to be there would you go?
- 96. **Thamar:** Yes, I would go.
- 97. **Interviewer:** Even without your friends?
- 98. **Thamar:** Yes
- 99. **Interviewer:** When you arrive, how would you merge yourself into the activities with strangers?
- 100. **Thamar:** I would find people who are starting a game or about to start to see if I can play with them or talk to someone sitting out waiting to join to see if they will play doubles.
- 101. **Interviewer:** Would you be the first one to initiate that contact?
- 102. **Thamar:** Yes
- 103. **Interviewer:** Have you ever showed up by yourself and played?
- 104. **Thamar:** Yes
- 105. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went biking with friends?
- 106. **Thamar:** About 4 weeks ago.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Where did you bike?
- 108. **Thamar:** In the neighborhood.
- 109. **Interviewer:** How many people went biking?
- 110. **Thamar:** 2
- 111. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go biking?
- 112. Thamar: My friend
- 113. **Interviewer:** How did your friend communicate with you about biking?
- 114. **Thamar:** He called me on the phone.
- 115. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he call you about biking?
- 116. **Thamar:** 2 hours
- 117. **Interviewer:** Did he make one or multiple phone calls to finalize details?
- 118. **Thamar:** Just one phone call and we settled on a time.
- 119. **Interviewer:** What process would you take in planning to go biking with a friend?

- 120. **Thamar:** I would call the person to see if they were available at the time and discuss where we will meet. I would go to their house to meet. After biking we would get something to drink and go home.
- 121. **Interviewer:** If they were not available at the date and time you specified, what would you do?
- 122. **Thamar:** I would probably find another activity to do.
- 123. **Interviewer:** Would you find another activity instead of arranging a different day and time?
- 124. **Thamar:** Yes, because you don't know if the weather will be good at another time for biking.
- 125. **Interviewer:** If you coordinated a biking activity would it be the same day and not in the distant future?
- 126. Thamar: Yes.
- 127. **Interviewer:** The reason would be because of possible weather conditions.
- 128. **Thamar:** Not just that, but you do not know your availability or what might come up so you would find something available unless you have to reserve an event.
- 129. **Interviewer:** You would rarely call someone and ask if they would like to go biking next Thursday?
- 130. **Thamar:** True
- 131. **Interviewer:** If you asked someone to go biking in an hour and they could not go, you would arrange a different activity?
- 132. **Thamar:** Yes
- 133. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to church?
- 134. **Thamar:** I went last night for a class.
- 135. **Interviewer:** How many of you went together?
- 136. **Thamar:** All of us came in separate cars. We received e-mails reminding us about the class or if the class has been canceled.
- 137. **Interviewer:** How far in advance do you receive these e-mails?
- 138. **Thamar:** We get e-mails two days before the class.
- 139. **Interviewer:** Are there any other means of communication used to coordinate getting together for this church activity?
- 140. **Thamar:** Usually it is a Sunday night class and we talk about next Sunday's meeting and planning a trip to Pennsylvania in four weeks.
- 141. **Interviewer:** Typically this is a group of how many people?
- 142. **Thamar:** Depending on the date. For example, the class is mostly college students so if there is an exam we will have only half the number of people. Most of the time it is around 40 to 50 people.
- 143. **Interviewer:** Does this group tend to do different activities together?
- 144. Thamar: Yes
- 145. **Interviewer:** Is there one organizer or multiple organizers?
- 146. **Thamar:** There is a head and for each chapter there is an organizer in Pennsylvania with one person helping him. There are three people working on the weekly Sunday meeting. One takes care of emails, one takes care of finding speakers, and one takes care of food.
- 147. **Interviewer:** Just one person organizes everything and the other people are assisting him.
- 148. **Thamar:** Yes
- 149. Interviewer: Do you know by what means he communicates with these other individuals?
- 150. **Thamar:** He calls and text but he does not do e-mail.
- 151. **Interviewer:** Do you know which form of communication he does most often for this meeting?
- 152. **Thamar:** Probably texting. For other church matters such as family matters, or visiting people in the hospital he uses the phone but with college students he will text.
- 153. **Interviewer:** Does he base his use of communication technology on the demographic of the group?
- 154. **Thamar:** Yes, for college students he will text and for older members he will call because they are not familiar with texting.
- 155. **Interviewer:** If a college student were in the hospital, would he text or call?
- 156. **Thamar:** He would text first to see if everything is OK and if he is planning to visit he would call to get more details about where they will be.
- 157. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would an e-mail be sent for routine matters about the group?
- 158. **Thamar:** An e-mail would be sent two days in advance.
- 159. **Interviewer:** Will they send a text the day of the event or the day before the event?

- 160. **Thamar:** They would only send a text if something had to be cancelled at the last minute or for example if someone has passed away. The priest would send a text to three other people and they would spread the word to the rest of the groups.
- 161. **Interviewer:** Is there ever an overlap in the messages sent? For example, you may get three or four messages from the same people.
- 162. **Thamar:** Sometimes I get 3 or 4 messages because someone will forward the message even though the original three people have sent messages. Based on whom they know they will send out the message.
- 163. **Interviewer:** In this case, texting would be used for emergency purposes meaning something came up and people will know right away.
- 164. **Thamar:** Yes
- 165. **Interviewer:** Do you happen to know why he would use texting over phone calling?
- 166. **Thamar:** It is more affective in mass communication would be my guess. I would not want to sit and call that many people. We have 32 students enrolled in a class, if we have to call all of them it will take a lot of time because we have to talk to the parents and find out how they are doing. When we are with the group we just tell them about events we have planned and what they need to do.
- 167. **Interviewer:** If he were planning a big event he would use texting and he would call some people. Phone calling would be used for serious things like details where he needs to be clear about certain things. Sometimes we would set a date, he would put it on his calendar and text people later to confirm after we have made the decision.
- 168. **Interviewer:** Do you know why he does not use certain tools like e-bytes, facebook events, or other tools that are intended for mass communication outreach?
- 169. **Thamar:** He uses facebook for some things but he does not use e-bytes. We used e-bytes for a party event to see how many people were coming and to make arrangements for food. Usually he does not use e-bytes for church matters. We used facebook for a festival type social event, which is not that important, but we would not use it very much for church groups.
- 170. **Interviewer:** Has this facebook group been neglected because it has not been used much for creating events?
- 171. **Thamar:** Yes when it concerns church groups.
- 172. **Interviewer:** When it comes to outreach you would invite friends and strangers to church?
- 173. Thamar: Yes
- 174. **Interviewer:** What means of communication is used?
- 175. **Thamar:** We would communicate face-to-face with people we know or we would put up big signs in our township to inform people of an event.
- 176. **Interviewer:** Is this done routinely?
- 177. **Thamar:** Yes
- 178. **Interviewer:** How often is this done?
- 179. **Thamar:** Once a year for two weekends.
- 180. **Interviewer:** Do you have a special event going on at this time like Vocation Bible School?
- 181. **Thamar:** We have Egyptian foods served in the cafeteria, tours, kids corners, the bookstore, and other activities.
- 182. **Interviewer:** A big event is planned to attract people to come and visit.
- 183. Thamar: Yes
- 184. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved in an outreach event?
- 185. **Thamar:** I was involved in an event two weeks ago.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Was this with your church?
- 187. **Thamar:** Yes, this is with the kids that I teach. In this outreach event we visit the homes of the kids in the group.
- 188. **Interviewer:** Does this outreach involve you only or is there a group of people?
- 189. **Thamar:** The outreach involves me plus an older teacher in the church.
- 190. **Interviewer:** How often is this done?
- 191. **Thamar:** Not during the semester we do around two kids a week. We visit their homes to see how things are in school and to see if they need anything. During the semester we try to visit once a week or every other week depending on our schedule.

- 192. **Interviewer:** How do the two of you communicate and coordinate getting together and deciding when to meet to visit?
- 193. **Thamar:** After we dismiss the kids from our group at church we get together and talk about the time we will visit. Once we decide on a time and date I will call the family to see if they are available at that time, if not, I will call the next kid on the list. Once I get an appointment I will call him to let him know and then we will just meet at church on a Saturday at 12:30 and get to the people's house by 1:00.
- 194. **Interviewer:** You are the one who coordinates the event and calls the family?
- 195. Thamar: Yes
- 196. **Interviewer:** When you meet face-to-face after your class on Friday, you discuss what time on Saturday?
- 197. Thamar: Yes
- 198. **Interviewer:** You call the family to see if you can set up an appointment and then you call him to let him know when you can meet on Saturday. Between that period of time leading up to Saturday is there any communication or do you just know to meet?
- 199. **Thamar:** We meet at the church and we go together. When I get to the church building I will call to find out which side of the parking lot he will use or to find out where he is parked.
- 200. **Interviewer:** Are there any challenges in your process of doing this coordination between the family and the other person?
- 201. **Thamar:** Yes, sometimes people do not answer their house phone. If I cannot reach the house I will have to call the kid's cell phone just to have them tell me nobody answers the house phone. Sometimes the other teacher could be busy working with someone else and he does not answer right away so I have to leave a message.
- 202. **Interviewer:** Does this happen frequently having no one answer the house phone?
- 203. **Thamar:** Yes, this happens frequently.
- 204. **Interviewer:** Do you find yourself having to call several times?
- 205. **Thamar:** Yes
- 206. **Interviewer:** Do you call several times the same day or over a course of time?
- 207. **Thamar:** I call several times throughout the day, morning, early afternoon, and evening.
- 208. **Interviewer:** After you visit the kids in their home, do you discuss any other plans?
- 209. **Thamar:** After we meet with the family we discuss how our meeting just went, we discuss other things we would like to do, and anybody with a serious issue. For example, two week ago a kid we visited was talking about how his friend was getting into smoking so afterward we talked about sending two other people to his house to make sure everything was OK.
- 210. **Interviewer:** Who would take on the responsibility of having someone visit this kid with the issue of smoking?
- 211. **Thamar:** The other teacher would take on the responsibility because he is older.
- 212. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you cooked?
- 213. Thamar: Saturday
- 214. Interviewer: Did you cook by yourself?
- 215. Thamar: Yes
- 216. **Interviewer:** Would you like to do other forms of cooking?
- 217. **Thamar:** My mother will not be home for the next month, so I want to cook so I can live.
- 218. **Interviewer:** Let say that you wanted to learn how to cook, what would be your process in trying to coordinate to get together with someone?
- 219. **Thamar:** I would learn how to cook from my mom or I would google recipes.
- 220. Interviewer: Would you call your mom and get her advice after you would google a recipe?
- 221. **Thamar:** No, sometimes she will call me to let me know she will be late and ask me to make dinner. She will call me and tell me how to make it and she will tell me the steps. I will call her back and ask what to do next. She will tell me all the things are need to do until the meal is finished.
- 222. **Interviewer:** Your form of communication during this process is the phone?
- 223. **Thamar:** Yes, she will call me and I will call her back, so we go back and forth.
- 224. **Interviewer:** Are there times when you get a voice mail or she is not available?
- 225. **Thamar:** No, usually she has the time available.
- 226. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges involved with this?

- 227. Thamar: No
- 228. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining-out?
- 229. Thamar: Saturday night.
- 230. **Interviewer:** How many people went with you?
- 231. **Thamar:** It was 10 to 15 people.
- 232. Interviewer: Do you recall whose ideas it was to go out to dinner?
- 233. **Thamar:** We go out every Saturday after church.
- 234. **Interviewer:** Is it usually the same people or a mixed based on peoples' availability?
- 235. **Thamar:** There are 8 people who always come but the others come when they are available.
- 236. **Interviewer:** They decide face-to-face to go out to dinner.
- 237. Thamar: Yes
- 238. **Interviewer:** Do they go to the same places?
- 239. **Thamar:** We always go to McDonald or Applebee.
- 240. **Interviewer:** Do you always go with friends?
- 241. **Thamar:** Yes, this is every Saturday and this is the only time I dine-out with friends.
- 242. **Interviewer:** When you say friends, are these from church only?
- 243. **Thamar:** Yes, but there are other friends that I have in church who have friends outside of church that they may text to invite to join us at dinner.
- 244. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went driving?
- 245. **Thamar:** This morning.
- 246. **Interviewer:** You said that you like to go driving with friends.
- 247. Thamar: Yes
- 248. Interviewer: Do you have to communicate with them in advance?
- 249. **Thamar:** Yes, I usually text them and when I am on my way I give them a call.
- 250. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played football?
- 251. **Thamar:** During winter break.
- 252. **Interviewer:** How many people were playing?
- 253. **Thamar:** 30 people
- 254. **Interviewer:** Did you know all of these people or some of them?
- 255. **Thamar:** I knew 20 of them and the others were friends of friends.
- 256. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to play football?
- 257. **Thamar:** It is just a routine activity every Thursday.
- 258. **Interviewer:** Is there any form of communication used for this routine activity?
- 259. **Thamar:** Yes, we have a person who sends out a mass text.
- 260. **Interviewer:** Is there a special application for sending out mass text?
- 261. **Thamar:** Yes, you can send a draft to a group.
- 262. **Interviewer:** What is the name of the application?
- 263. **Thamar:** It is called Group Text.
- 264. **Interviewer:** Is it usually the same person?
- 265. Thamar: Yes
- 266. **Interviewer:** So one person has taken on the responsibility to mass text everyone.
- 267. **Thamar:** Yes because he just has to text only college students.
- 268. **Interviewer:** How far in advance will he usually send this mass text?
- 269. **Thamar:** He will send the text the day before or early the next day.
- 270. **Interviewer:** How often did or would you go to these football matches?
- 271. **Thamar:** I would usually go during the fall, throughout the winter, and sometimes the beginning of the year.
- 272. **Interviewer:** You would attend frequently?
- 273. Thamar: Yes
- 274. **Interviewer:** Would there be different faces sometimes?
- 275. **Thamar:** There is a group of us always there and then we just pick up other people who may have just left the library or something. There would be strangers at these games.
- 276. **Interviewer:** What kind of online video gaming do you play?

- 277. **Thamar:** I play benefit heroes.
- 278. **Interviewer:** Do you play these games with friends?
- 279. **Thamar:** I play with my brother and other people that I know.
- 280. **Interviewer:** Are you within the same vicinity?
- 281. **Thamar:** My brother is in Boston and my friends are on campus.
- 282. **Interviewer:** Whose idea is it to get together on line to play these games?
- 283. **Thamar:** We just play randomly. We usually know when to go online because we play at night. If you check at midnight my brother and I are usually playing.
- 284. Interviewer: Do you use any forms of communication to coordinate playing these games?
- 285. **Thamar:** Yes, I will text my brother when I have a really good game and a lot of teammates so he will just join us.
- 286. **Interviewer:** Do you get involved in playing with strangers?
- 287. **Thamar:** Sometimes I will team up with strangers if they are on the same level.
- 288. **Interviewer:** Do you exchange personal information with them?
- 289. Thamar: No
- 290. **Interviewer:** When do you play X-Box?
- 291. **Thamar:** On Saturday nights six to eight of us will get together at my house to play. We usually play for several hours.
- 292. **Interviewer:** Is all of this planned face-to-face?
- 293. Thamar: Yes, and out of habit.
- 294. **Interviewer:** Are there any other instances when you plan to get together?
- 295. **Thamar:** During the summer we usually plan to get together at someone's house to play. Usually we will text a couple of days in advance and call the same day to see if everything is still on for playing.
- 296. **Interviewer:** How many people on average will participate?
- 297. **Thamar:** 6 to 8 people
- 298. **Interviewer:** Does one person call everybody?
- 299. Thamar: No, usually my friend and I will call each other and both of us will share in calling the others.
- 300. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went traveling?
- 301. **Thamar:** Winter break.
- 302. **Interviewer:** Where did you go?
- 303. Thamar: Florida
- 304. **Interviewer:** Did you go with other people?
- 305. **Thamar:** I went with my mom and brother.
- 306. **Interviewer:** Did you take a plane or drive?
- 307. **Thamar:** We drove
- 308. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan for this trip?
- 309. **Thamar:** We planned a month in advance.
- 310. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to take this trip?
- 311. **Thamar:** My mom's
- 312. **Interviewer:** How did your mom communicate this idea with you?
- 313. **Thamar:** She spoke to me and called my brother in Boston.
- 314. **Interviewer:** Throughout this month of planning, was there any other means of communication used in coordinating this trip?
- 315. **Thamar:** She called my aunt in Florida to make sure they would get a few days off from work. She called my brother to confirm our plans and she spoke to me face-to-face.
- 316. **Interviewer:** Was this all done by phone on her part?
- 317. **Thamar:** Yes
- 318. **Interviewer:** Did you notice any complications in this coordination process?
- 319. **Thamar:** Yes, sometimes my brother would not pick up the phone so she had to leave a voice message. My brother would text me to say he got the message and he would contact her when he had the time.
- 320. **Interviewer:** Would he text you when he is busy because he cannot reach her by phone?

- 321. **Thamar:** He does not know if my mom will pick up the phone.
- 322. **Interviewer:** Does he text you because your mother is not familiar with texting?
- 323. Thamar: Yes
- 324. **Interviewer:** The complication is because of a triangular means of communication where your mother calls your brother, he does not respond, so he sends you a text, and you relate the message to your mother face-to-face.
- 325. Thamar: Yes
- 326. **Interviewer:** Does this happen often or very few occurrences?
- 327. **Thamar:** Only a few times.
- 328. **Interviewer:** Do you ever wish your parents would learn to text?
- 329. Thamar: Yes
- 330. **Interviewer:** Have you ever tried to show them how it works?
- 331. **Thamar:** I did. My dad is a hopeless case. My mom is more likely to learn but I think she has a lot of things going on and she will not sit down to learn. My aunt learned because it is an easy way to communicate with her kids. Mom is more opened minded but she does not have the time.
- 332. **Interviewer:** Have you thought of an alternative that might work for everyone or have you accepted the fact that this is the way it will be?
- 333. **Thamar:** I have accepted this with my dad. When I text my mom she will respond by call because she knows how to get to the text and read it.
- 334. **Interviewer:** Do you have any places in mind that you like to travel too?
- 335. **Thamar:** I like to travel to Texas every summer to visit. This coming weekend I am going to Boston with my brother's fiancé because they have some activity planned.
- 336. **Interviewer:** Is it your idea to take this trip to Texas?
- 337. Thamar: Yes
- 338. **Interviewer:** Do you ever go with a group of people?
- 339. **Thamar:** I go by myself.
- 340. **Interviewer:** Do you invite people?
- 341. **Thamar:** I try to invite my friends face-to-face but they usually say no.
- 342. **Interviewer:** Why do you communicate with them face-to-face about going?
- 343. **Thamar:** I think people will find that more convincing. If you send someone a text saying you want to go August 1<sup>st</sup> it will be easier for that person to say no. You can be more insistent if you talk to them face-to-face.
- 344. **Interviewer:** What about the phone?
- 345. Thamar: I think calling is a waste of time. I just don't like calling because people will not pick-up.
- 346. **Interviewer:** If people pick up, do you still think it is a waste of time?
- 347. **Thamar:** I just don't like the whole concept of calling. I rarely use my house phone. The only time I call is when I talk to older people, older family members, or relatives in Egypt.
- 348. **Interviewer:** Other than that, it is texting and face-to-face as a preference.
- 349. **Thamar:** Yes, texting is first and face-to-face is second.
- 350. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went shopping?
- 351. **Thamar:** I went shopping last week to pick up a shirt.
- 352. **Interviewer:** Do you ever invite people to go shopping?
- 353. **Thamar:** No, I will go on my own.
- 354. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did reading with friends?
- 355. **Thamar:** Last night at the bible study.
- 356. **Interviewer:** Is this a routine activity?
- 357. Thamar: Yes
- 358. **Interviewer:** Is there a routine means of communication used?
- 359. **Thamar:** The class will receive an e-mail giving the text that will be discussed and focused questions to study.
- 360. **Interviewer:** When is this e-mail sent giving the details about class?
- 361. **Thamar:** One or two days in advance.
- 362. **Interviewer:** What kind of professional activities are you usually involved in?

- 363. **Thamar:** I participate in activities with the Honors College and my frat team. A professional team came last week and I was able to get a possible internship from one person.
- 364. **Interviewer:** Are you part of any professional organizations?
- 365. **Thamar:** The Honors College and the Honor Society.
- 366. **Interviewer:** Are you members of those?
- 367. **Thamar:** Yes
- 368. **Interviewer:** When was the last event you had?
- 369. Thamar: Last Thursday. Multiple e-mails were sent about that and I tried to recruit a few of my friends face-to-face to attend.
- 370. **Interviewer:** Were you involved in the planning of this?
- 371. **Thamar:** No I was not involved in the planning but I think it should be successful.
- 372. **Interviewer:** Do you like to be involved in getting people to come?
- 373. Thamar: Yes
- 374. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to see a movie?
- 375. **Thamar:** I went during winter break. I think it is a fun thing to do but a bit anti-social because you are sitting in front of a screen just watching. We try to make it social by laughing at dumb things.
- 376. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to the movie?
- 377. **Thamar:** 4 or 5
- 378. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose idea it was to go to the movie?
- 379. **Thamar:** It was a group decision. While we were dining-out we were talking about going to a movie now that we had ended the first semester.
- 380. **Interviewer:** Was there any future planning?
- 381. **Thamar:** It was decided one day after exams that we would all go to get breakfast and watch a movie.
- 382. **Interviewer:** Do you know how far in advance this was planned?
- 383. **Thamar:** It was planned three or four days in advance with a small group.
- 384. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was involved in planning this activity?
- 385. **Thamar:** Face-to-face and texting
- 386. Interviewer: Was mass texting used?
- 387. **Thamar:** The face-to-face was mass for everybody that came out with us. The texting was used to contact others who wanted to go.

## **Figure B.9** Interview with Subject 9.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Samantha:** Freshman
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Samantha:** Biology
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Samantha:** Unemployed
- 7. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or commute?
- 8. **Samantha:** On campus
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 10. **Samantha:** One roommate
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites like facebook or my space?
- 12. **Samantha:** I am on facebook.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you use any others?
- 14. **Samantha:** No
- 15. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 16. **Samantha:** I just created it two days ago.
- 17. **Interviewer:** How often have you used it within those two days?
- 18. **Samantha:** I have used it a lot.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Does a lot mean several times a day?
- 20. **Samantha:** Yes, several times a day.
- 21. **Interviewer:** Could a lot mean 10 times a day or 20 times a day?
- 22. **Samantha:** A lot means at least 10 times a day not 20.
- 23. **Interviewer:** How long do you stay on facebook for each session?
- 24. **Samantha:** I will stay on from 20 minutes to an hour.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 26. Samantha: No
- 27. **Interviewer:** Do you use the phone for calling and texting?
- 28. **Samantha:** I use it for calling and texting only.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 30. **Samantha:** Occasionally, but not lately.
- 31. **Interviewer:** When you do have free occasional time, what do you spend that time doing?
- 32. **Samantha:** Hanging out with friends on campus and sleeping.
- 33. **Interviewer:** How often do you have this free time, each day or several times a week?
- 34. **Samantha:** I have free time each day after studying.
- 35. **Interviewer:** How much time do you have each day to enjoy yourself?
- 36. **Samantha:** I have three to four hours.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or of campus?
- 38. **Samantha:** Yes
- 39. **Interviewer:** Can you describe some of those social activities that you do?
- 40. **Samantha:** The African Students Association, Student Activities Council, lab binder for Honors College for the computer lab, and Biology Society.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 42. **Samantha:** Yes, spending time with friends and watching TV.
- 43. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you attended church?
- 44. **Samantha:** I attended two Sunday's ago.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Is this a regular occurring thing you do from time to time?
- 46. **Samantha:** Usually when I am at home I go to church. I don't attend as much when I am on campus.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Is this something you have to coordinate with other people or do you just go?
- 48. **Samantha:** I just go.
- 49. **Interviewer:** When you go, will the strangers be people who are just there?
- 50. Samantha: Yes

- 51. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved in community service?
- 52. **Samantha:** Last Friday
- 53. **Interviewer:** Do you know whose ideas it was?
- 54. **Samantha:** It is a thing for the department that is done every week.
- 55. **Interviewer:** How does the department commute with you about the details of this community service?
- 56. **Samantha:** The commute by e-mail.
- 57. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did they contact you?
- 58. **Samantha:** They contacted me one week before the event.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Did they use any other means of communication to contact you?
- 60. **Samantha:** No, just e-mail
- 61. **Interviewer:** Did you sign up the moment you received the e-mail or later?
- 62. **Samantha:** I signed up three days later.
- 63. **Interviewer:** Did you use any device to remind you to sign up for this activity?
- 64. **Samantha:** I kept the e-mail as a reminder so when I checked my e-mail I would see it.
- 65. **Interviewer:** It this your highlander e-mail?
- 66. **Samantha:** Yes
- 67. **Interviewer:** There is a function for this?
- 68. **Samantha:** Yes
- 69. **Interviewer:** You read it and marked it as new. So every time you came back you would be reminded.
- 70. Samantha: Yes
- 71. **Interviewer:** How many times did you open it?
- 72. **Samantha:** I opened it once and I opened it again to sign up for the activity.
- 73. **Interviewer:** Did you have time three days later or were you just ready to sign up for the community service?
- 74. **Samantha:** I checked with my schedule and signed up.
- 75. **Interviewer:** Are there any technological devices you use to check your schedule?
- 76. **Samantha:** I use my phone. I put everything in my phone.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Was there a link to the website where you could sign-up?
- 78. **Samantha:** Yes
- 79. **Interviewer:** What exactly was this community service?
- 80. **Samantha:** I had to monitor the computer lab.
- 81. **Interviewer:** When it came close to the day when you had to do it, how were you reminded?
- 82. **Samantha:** My phone reminds me every Friday/
- 83. **Interviewer:** Every Friday?
- 84. **Samantha:** Yes, for this particular event.
- 85. **Interviewer:** How are you reminded? Is there a ring tone or vibration?
- 86. **Samantha:** a vibration
- 87. **Interviewer:** Do you set it to remind you an hour in advance or another time?
- 88. **Samantha:** I set it to remind me at that time and 5 minutes before the time.
- 89. **Interviewer:** Where you surprised to see the reminder or did you just know?
- 90. **Samantha:** I knew
- 91. **Interviewer:** Would you look at your phone calendar enough times to see what was scheduled for Friday?
- 92. Samantha: Yes
- 93. **Interviewer:** Would strangers be people there that you do not know?
- 94. **Samantha:** Yes
- 95. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were cooking?
- 96. **Samantha:** Two week ago
- 97. **Interviewer:** Was this with friends?
- 98. **Samantha:** No, it was with family
- 99. **Interviewer:** Was this decided the same day or was it planned in advance?
- 100. **Samantha:** It was planned that day.
- 101. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you listed cooking as entertainment?

- 102. **Samantha:** In comparison to the other options, I thought that fit in the category.
- 103. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved in a culture social activity?
- 104. **Samantha:** Last Thursday
- 105. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 106. Samantha: 20 people
- 107. **Interviewer:** What was the event?
- 108. **Samantha:** A multi-cultural event on campus for my club.
- 109. **Interviewer:** What club was sponsoring it?
- 110. **Samantha:** The African Student Association alone with other multi-cultural clubs on campus.
- 111. **Interviewer:** All of these clubs got together to plan this event?
- 112. **Samantha:** This is just an event held every semester.
- 113. **Interviewer:** Do you know who sponsors it?
- 114. Samantha: No
- 115. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about it?
- 116. **Samantha:** A friend told me and sent a text.
- 117. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did your friend contact you about this event?
- 118. **Samantha:** The day before the event.
- 119. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you about this event?
- 120. Samantha: Face-to-face.
- 121. **Interviewer:** Did he invite you?
- 122. **Samantha:** He told me someone else was going to contact me because they needed more people.
- 123. **Interviewer:** Did he ask you about it and you agreed or did he just tell you?
- 124. **Samantha:** He just told me that I would be contacted one day in advance.
- 125. **Interviewer:** How were you contacted?
- 126. **Samantha:** I was contacted by phone first and then a text.
- 127. **Interviewer:** Were you contacted the day of the event or a day in advance?
- 128. **Samantha:** The day before
- 129. **Interviewer:** Was this person different from the friend who invited you?
- 130. **Samantha:** Yes, this was someone different from the person who told me that I would get a phone call.
- 131. **Interviewer:** Someone contacted you by phone to give you more details on this multi-cultural event?
- 132. Samantha: Yes
- 133. **Interviewer:** Did you put this into your phone calendar?
- 134. **Samantha:** No. I just remembered.
- 135. **Interviewer:** Under what circumstances would you use your phone calendar?
- 136. **Samantha:** I would use it for everything else.
- 137. **Interviewer:** Is it based upon how long a period of time?
- 138. **Samantha:** No, it is used just for what I need to remember. I will set my phone to wake up in an hour and to remind me of things so I won't forget.
- 139. **Interviewer:** What is it about this event that stuck out in your mind?
- 140. Samantha: It was something that I didn't forget because I was worried about it the whole time.
- 141. **Interviewer:** Was it important because it was linked to one of the clubs in which you were involved?
- 142. **Samantha:** Yes it was important.
- 143. **Interviewer:** Did you go with a friend?
- 144. **Samantha:** Yes
- 145. **Interviewer:** Is this the same friend that told you about it?
- 146. Samantha: Yes
- 147. **Interviewer:** How did you coordinate meeting with him?
- 148. **Samantha:** I sent him a text.
- 149. **Interviewer:** How soon before the event did you send him a text?
- 150. **Samantha:** I sent him a text the day before and the same day of the event.
- 151. **Interviewer:** Did you text him the details of where you would meet?
- 152. Samantha: Yes

- 153. **Interviewer:** Did you text him the same information the same day or something different?
- 154. **Samantha:** It was the same information on a different day.
- 155. **Interviewer:** Did he respond to both?
- 156. Samantha: Yes
- 157. **Interviewer:** Just for confirmation purposes?
- 158. Samantha: Yes
- 159. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means of communication used?
- 160. Samantha: No
- 161. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dancing?
- 162. Samantha: Last Friday
- 163. **Interviewer:** Did you go with friend?
- 164. **Samantha:** Yes
- 165. **Interviewer:** How many people went with you?
- 166. **Samantha:** 4
- 167. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose idea it was to go dancing?
- 168. **Samantha:** It was just a party.
- 169. **Interviewer:** Was it a house party or a club party?
- 170. Samantha: It was a friend's party.
- 171. **Interviewer:** Was it at their house?
- 172. Samantha: No
- 173. **Interviewer:** Was this campus related?
- 174. Samantha: Yes, campus related.
- 175. **Interviewer:** Do you remember where on campus they had the party?
- 176. **Samantha:** It was at a location near campus.
- 177. **Interviewer:** Was the party at a fraternity or sorority house?
- 178. **Samantha:** It was not at the house but in a place they use for parties.
- 179. **Interviewer:** Do you remember whose ideas it was to have the party?
- 180. **Samantha:** One of my friends in the fraternity
- 181. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the party?
- 182. Samantha: My friend told me.
- 183. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you about the party?
- 184. Samantha: Face-to-face.
- 185. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he tell you about this party?
- 186. **Samantha:** A month in advance.
- 187. **Interviewer:** Did you put this information in your phone as a reminder?
- 188. Samantha: No
- 189. **Interviewer:** So, you remembered the entire time?
- 190. Samantha: Yes
- 191. **Interviewer:** Did you invite your four friends to the party?
- 192. **Samantha:** No, the same person also told them.
- 193. Interviewer: This is a mutual friend?
- 194. Samantha: Yes
- 195. **Interviewer:** He contacted you face-to-face. How did he contact the other four people?
- 196. Samantha: Face-to-face.
- 197. **Interviewer:** Was there one person out of the five of you an organizer in terms of the group getting together to attend this party?
- 198. Samantha: Yes
- 199. **Interviewer:** How did the organizer coordinate with everybody getting together to go to the party?
- 200. **Samantha:** She sent a text message and face-to-face.
- 201. **Interviewer:** During that month, what means of communication did she use?
- 202. **Samantha:** She just sent a text two days before the party.
- 203. **Interviewer:** What information did she send in the text?
- 204. **Samantha:** Details about the time and where to meet.
- 205. **Interviewer:** Was there a lot of text message exchange?
- 206. **Samantha:** Not that many.

- 207. **Interviewer:** Did you have to text her to get information about this party?
- 208. Samantha: No
- 209. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went driving?
- 210. **Samantha:** A month ago with my dad.
- 211. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance?
- 212. Samantha: Not really
- 213. Interviewer: Did you just run errands?
- 214. Samantha: Yes
- 215. Interviewer: Was this decided the same day?
- 216. Samantha: Yes
- 217. **Interviewer:** Do you have a car?
- 218. Samantha: No
- 219. **Interviewer:** Were you at home?
- 220. Samantha: Yes
- 221. **Interviewer:** What was the reason for driving?
- 222. Samantha: Just to practice
- 223. **Interviewer:** Do you have a learner's permit?
- 224. Samantha: Yes
- 225. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went jogging?
- 226. Samantha: Two weeks ago
- 227. **Interviewer:** Did you go by yourself?
- 228. Samantha: No, with friends
- 229. **Interviewer:** How many friends went with you?
- 230. Samantha: 4 friends
- 231. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go jogging?
- 232. Samantha: One of my friends.
- 233. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did she contact you before you went jogging?
- 234. **Samantha:** Two days in advance
- 235. Interviewer: How did she communicate with you about jogging?
- 236. Samantha: Face-to-face
- 237. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means of communication between the face-to-face interaction and the day you went jogging?
- 238. Samantha: Text messages
- 239. **Interviewer:** Was text messaging used throughout the entire process?
- 240. Samantha: Yes
- 241. **Interviewer:** What were some of the details in the text messages?
- 242. **Samantha:** When we were going depending on our schedules.
- 243. **Interviewer:** Did the text message seem like a general or more of a personal text message?
- 244. Samantha: Just a general text message
- 245. **Interviewer:** The friend who invited you jogging, did she contact everyone else?
- 246. Samantha: Some people just came randomly that day.
- 247. **Interviewer:** Was texting the only means of communication used?
- 248. Samantha: Yes
- 249. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to watch a movie?
- 250. Samantha: Yesterday
- 251. **Interviewer:** Did you go with friends?
- 252. Samantha: Yes
- 253. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to the movie?
- 254. **Samantha:** Including me 6 people.
- 255. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go to the movies?
- 256. Samantha: I don't recall, we just decided to go.
- 257. **Interviewer:** Was this a face-to-face interaction?
- 258. Samantha: Yes

- 259. **Interviewer:** What were all of you doing before you decided to go to the movies?
- 260. Samantha: We were just hanging out in someone's room because it was open house.
- 261. **Interviewer:** How many of your were in the room at this time?
- 262. **Samantha:** 6
- 263. **Interviewer:** Was there any discussion about what movie to watch?
- 264. Samantha: Just a good one
- 265. **Interviewer:** Were you planning to go to a movie theatre or just watch a movie in the room?
- 266. **Samantha:** In the room
- 267. **Interviewer:** Did any of your friends invite other people?
- 268. **Samantha:** One person walked into the room.
- 269. **Interviewer:** Were there any strangers?
- 270. **Samantha:** Just friends. Usually when I go to the movie theatre there are strangers.
- 271. **Interviewer:** Music. Is this in terms of listing to music or going out to a club or bar?
- 272. Samantha: Listening
- 273. **Interviewer:** Do you do this with friends?
- 274. **Samantha:** Usually by myself with headphones
- 275. **Interviewer:** Doing times when you are listening to music with friends, do you use a speaker or something?
- 276. **Samantha:** My laptop
- 277. **Interviewer:** Does this take place in the dorm?
- 278. Samantha: Yes
- 279. **Interviewer:** Is this planned or coordinated?
- 280. **Samantha:** It is just random.
- 281. **Interviewer:** Are there times when you listen to music with strangers?
- 282. Samantha: Only when I am attending a concert or a bar.
- 283. **Interviewer:** Is the time spent reading for class?
- 284. Samantha: Yes
- 285. **Interviewer:** Do you spend time reading with other people like a study group?
- 286. **Samantha:** No
- 287. Interviewer: You just read on your own for college classes?
- 288. Samantha: Yes
- 289. **Interviewer:** Do you do leisure reading?
- 290. **Samantha:** Not lately, but I do have books that I need to read.
- 291. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went swimming?
- 292. Samantha: Last summer
- 293. **Interviewer:** Did you go with a group of people?
- 294. **Samantha:** My family
- 295. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance?
- 296. Samantha: This was planned the weekend before we went.
- 297. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go swimming?
- 298. **Samantha:** No, we just went to the beach.
- 299. **Interviewer:** Do you know how you were contacted about the idea of going swimming?
- 300. Samantha: Face-to-face
- 301. **Interviewer:** Was this with parents or siblings?
- 302. Samantha: Yes
- 303. **Interviewer:** Were you at home at the time?
- 304. Samantha: Yes
- 305. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used from the time you talked about going to the beach and the time you actually went?
- 306. Samantha: Face-to-face
- 307. **Interviewer:** Was there any texting are phone calling?
- 308. Samantha: No
- 309. **Interviewer:** Where you at home the entire time?

- 310. Samantha: Yes
- 311. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played tennis?
- 312. **Samantha:** This past fall
- 313. **Interviewer:** Did you play with friends?
- 314. Samantha: Yes
- 315. **Interviewer:** How many people went to play tennis?
- 316. **Samantha:** 5
- 317. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go play tennis?
- 318. **Samantha:** My room overlooks the tennis court. I saw four of my friends playing so I joined them.
- 319. **Interviewer:** Did you communicate with them or just go straight to the court?
- 320. **Samantha:** We had talked about playing tennis earlier face-to-face. So when I saw them I just went downstairs.
- 321. **Interviewer:** When you saw them did you go immediately downstairs?
- 322. Samantha: Yes
- 323. **Interviewer:** Did they see you for the first time when you walked up to the court?
- 324. **Samantha:** Not the first time that day.
- 325. **Interviewer:** Did they know that you were watching them from the window?
- 326. Samantha: Yes
- 327. **Interviewer:** Did you have a conversation with them?
- 328. **Samantha:** I had a conversation with them face-to-face, I looked down and saw them playing, so I went to the court. I had told them that I would come down when I had free time.
- 329. **Interviewer:** Were all of them present when you had this conversation?
- 330. **Samantha:** Three of them were present and the other person I had not met.
- 331. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to go traveling with friends?
- 332. **Samantha:** Yes, and with family
- 333. **Interviewer:** Can you recall a time you went traveling with friends?
- 334. **Samantha:** Last April
- 335. **Interviewer:** Where did you go?
- 336. Samantha: Florida
- 337. **Interviewer:** Did you fly or drive?
- 338. **Samantha:** Fly
- 339. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 340. Samantha: It was planned three years in advance. This was a senior class trip.
- 341. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used for this trip?
- 342. Samantha: Fliers at school
- 343. **Interviewer:** They planned that far in advance?
- 344. **Samantha:** Yes, so we could start paying early.
- 345. **Interviewer:** What part of Florida?
- 346. Samantha: Disney World Orlando, Florida area.
- 347. **Interviewer:** Within that three years period do you recall the means of communication used to coordinate this trip? For example, it is one thing to see it three years early on a flier and three years later you are taking the trip. Was there a long process involved?
- 348. **Samantha:** Every three months people had to send in their money. They sent out fliers, we had face-to-face conversations, and meetings giving details about what to do.
- 349. **Interviewer:** What did the first set of fliers tell people to do?
- 350. **Samantha:** It gave the time for the first payment due.
- 351. **Interviewer:** Did you have to sign documents committing to this trip?
- 352. **Samantha:** No, you had to pay certain amounts throughout the process and there was a deadline date in which you could have your money refunded if you changed your mind about going.
- 353. **Interviewer:** At some point in time you could get a full refund.
- 354. **Samantha:** You could get a full refund 4 months before the trip if you changed your mind about going.
- 355. **Interviewer:** Was there any mention during this span of time that you had to decide about going on the trip?

- 356. Samantha: No, not until the 4 months time when you had to decide.
- 357. **Interviewer:** Did they put up fliers each month as a reminder?
- 358. **Samantha:** They used the same flier for two years.
- 359. **Interviewer:** Did they use any e-mail or texting?
- 360. Samantha: No
- 361. **Interviewer:** Did you use e-mail or texting between friends planning to go?
- 362. **Samantha:** There was face-to-face the first three years and texting close to the date about details.
- 363. **Interviewer:** Was this just between friends?
- 364. Samantha: Yes
- 365. **Interviewer:** How many close friends?
- 366. **Samantha:** At least 20 to 30 from the class.
- 367. **Interviewer:** As the time was approaching, were all of you communicating with each other?
- 368. **Samantha:** Yes
- 369. **Interviewer:** What was the means of communication involved?
- 370. **Samantha:** Text messaging and face-to-face
- 371. **Interviewer:** Was there one organizer or several people because this is a large group?
- 372. **Samantha:** Everyone broke into smaller group and there were time will all of us would meet together.
- 373. **Interviewer:** Did you have sub-groups?
- 374. Samantha: Yes
- 375. **Interviewer:** Was e-mailing involved?
- 376. Samantha: No
- 377. **Interviewer:** Did you get the same text from different people during this process?
- 378. Samantha: Yes
- 379. **Interviewer:** Were there any complications during this process?
- 380. Samantha: Yes, there were arguments and some people did not like each other.
- 381. **Interviewer:** Was this related to planning and coordinating this trip?
- 382. **Samantha:** Yes, there were problems with planning.
- 383. **Interviewer:** What kind of problems?
- 384. **Samantha:** Who would share rooms in the hotel. Some people would choose a roommate and change their mind leaving out others.
- 385. **Interviewer:** Who was the authority figures in charge?
- 386. **Samantha:** The teachers and class officers were in charge. Within small groups we did not have an organizer we just coordinated things among ourselves.
- 387. **Interviewer:** Would it have been important to you to see an overview of who would be sharing rooms?
- 388. Samantha: Yes, this would have been better. People just changed their minds causing confusion.
- 389. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you volunteered?
- 390. Samantha: Community Service last Friday.
- 391. Interviewer: You would like to do yoga with friends?
- 392. Samantha: Yes
- 393. **Interviewer:** How would you go about planning to do yoga with friends?
- 394. Samantha: I would go with my sister and find something online like free videos.
- 395. **Interviewer:** Does you sister know how to do yoga?
- 396. Samantha: No
- 397. **Interviewer:** Would you ask your sister to do yoga and find a way for the two of you to learn or would you research the information needed?
- 398. **Samantha:** I would find the information and ask her about doing yoga.
- 399. **Interviewer:** How would you find this information?
- 400. Samantha: I would use the Internet.
- 401. **Interviewer:** Can you show me what you would do to get information about yoga?
- 402. Samantha: I would go to itunes, podcast, and video podcast and try to find something on yoga.
- 403. **Interviewer:** Are there any other methods you would use to find information on yoga?
- 404. **Samantha:** I would just use itunes.

- 405. **Interviewer:** Would you continue to look for information if you could not use itunes?
- 406. **Samantha:** No, I have seen information on itunes and that is why I would use that resource.
- 407. **Interviewer:** Would you use this same approach for something else you wanted to do?
- 408. Samantha: No, I would use Google or Utube.
- 409. **Interviewer:** Would you look for videos or a school that teaches yoga?
- 410. Samantha: Just videos
- 411. **Interviewer:** You would prefer self-teaching?
- 412. **Samantha:** Yes, I would not want to go out to learn yoga.
- 413. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason you would not want to go out and learn yoga?
- 414. **Samantha:** I would not be that interested and there are so many things on the internet that are free so I would not bother to find a class.

## Figure B.10 Interview with Subject 10.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Darius:** Second year of graduate school
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Darius:** Computer Science
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Darius:** Yes
- 7. **Interviewer:** What is your current occupation?
- 8. **Darius:** Student Worker
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or commute?
- 10. **Darius:** I commute
- 11. **Interviewer:** How long is your commute?
- 12. **Darius:** 40 minutes
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself, with roommates, or family?
- 14. **Darius:** I have 3 roommates
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking websites?
- 16. **Darius:** I use facebook and orkut
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any others?
- 18. **Darius:** There is Linkedin but it is for professional communication.
- 19. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 20. **Darius:** Once a day
- 21. **Interviewer:** How long are you on facebook?
- 22. **Darius:** 5 minutes
- 23. **Interviewer:** How often do you use orkut?
- 24. **Darius:** Every 2 or 3 days
- 25. **Interviewer:** How long are you on orkut?
- 26. **Darius:** 10-15 minutes
- 27. **Interviewer:** How often do you use Linkedin?
- 28. **Darius:** Every 15 days
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 30. **Darius:** No
- 31. Interviewer: Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?32. Darius: No
- 52. Darius: No
- 33. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or of campus?
- 34. **Darius:** Yes
- 35. **Interviewer:** What are some of these activities?
- 36. **Darius:** Interacting with friends, badminton, cricket, swimming, cooking, soccer sometimes, and spending time with others.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 38. **Darius:** Yes, interacting with people, playing badminton, and cricket.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Aerobics. Do you do this by yourself or with friends?
- 40. **Darius:** By myself
- 41. **Interviewer:** Describe to me the process you would go through in doing aerobics.
- 42. **Darius:** First, I would ask my friends if they know an aerobic instructor. Second, I would google the nearest place to do aerobics. Once I find this information I can do it at home.
- 43. **Interviewer:** Can you show be how you would search for this information on Google?
- 44. **Darius:** After entering the search engine, I would search for a location. Second, I would check the reviews. Third, I would base my decision on the best reviews.
- 45. **Interviewer:** After you find a place that is to your liking, what would you do next?
- 46. **Darius:** I would take classes and learn for sometime and once I am comfortable I would start doing it on my own instead of going to classes.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Would you attend the classes by yourself or would you encourage friends to come with you?

- 48. **Darius:** I would like my friends to come with but I would not be insistent with any of them. If they ask me, I would tell them about the class but I would not be insistent to get them to come alone with me.
- 49. **Interviewer:** So, you are completely comfortable going by yourself?
- 50. **Darius:** Yes
- 51. **Interviewer:** Is this because you feel your friends would not be interested?
- 52. **Darius:** Nothing like that. Sometimes you want to do things on your own because you are involved with your friends in so many other activities.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Is there a particular type of arts and craft that you like to do?
- 54. **Darius:** I like drawing and painting but I have not been able to do it for a long time.
- 55. **Interviewer:** What process would you take to get involved in arts and craft and would you do it by yourself?
- 56. **Darius:** I would pick up books and do it by myself.
- 57. **Interviewer:** How would you search for books?
- 58. **Darius:** I would go to the nearest library and get feedback from my friends for good places to buy books on this subject.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Would you use any kind of technology to help you find this information?
- 60. **Darius:** I would search websites to find PDF books online. I would not use these sites to find out how to draw but categories that would entice me to draw.
- 61. **Interviewer:** You would not use Google to find information until you have checked with libraries and friends first?
- 62. **Darius:** That depends; if I want to be serious about this and do it everyday as a hobby I would not use Google technology. I would only search to find books and locations.
- 63. **Interviewer:** If you wanted to go bike riding, what would be your process in getting friends together to go biking?
- 64. **Darius:** I would ask my friends if they are interested in biking. I would find a good place for biking and that would include using Google.
- 65. **Interviewer:** What would you do first?
- 66. **Darius:** First, I would contact my friends to see if they are interested. Then, depending on the general consensus, we would go biking.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Would you find a bike trail out in nature or around the neighborhood?
- 68. **Darius:** I would find a bike trail and not just in the neighborhood.
- 69. **Interviewer:** How much time would you invest in planning this activity? Would this be planned in advance or the same day?
- 70. **Darius:** That depends; if I had a three-day weekend coming up I would plan a week in advance.
- 71. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate with your friends about biking?
- 72. **Darius:** I would chat with them first. If they were not on my chat list I would give them a call.
- 73. **Interviewer:** First you would go on your instant messaging application. Which application would you use?
- 74. **Darius:** I would use Gtalk.
- 75. **Interviewer:** You would first go to Gtalk and find who is interested in going biking?
- 76. **Darius:** Yes
- 77. **Interviewer:** Second, if you could not chat with them on Gtalk, you would proceed to call them.
- 78. **Darius:** Yes
- 79. **Interviewer:** Would you call them at that time or a particular time in the day?
- 80. **Darius:** I would call when everybody is free.
- 81. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate how you would find a place to bike?
- 82. **Darius:** I would find a location first. Then I would check the reviews.
- 83. **Interviewer:** Would you do this a week in advance?
- 84. **Darius:** Yes
- 85. **Interviewer:** Once you find a place and date, how would you contact your friends about biking?
- 86. **Darius:** I would meet with them if it included a group on my chat list. Three or four of us would get together and decide on the best place and let everyone else know what we have decided and see if they are comfortable with that.

- 87. **Interviewer:** Would this be a face-to-face?
- 88. **Darius:** Yes
- 89. **Interviewer:** Describe your process in gathering your friends for this face-to-face to discuss this bike trip.
- 90. **Darius:** First, I would go to their place or have a get together to discuss this face-to-face after they have expressed an interest. Next, I would Gtalk and lastly call the others.
- 91. **Interviewer:** Would you use any other means of communication?
- 92. **Darius:** No, that's it. I am not a texting person. I do not have a plan and I do not care much for it. I prefer calling to texting.
- 93. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason why you do not use texting?
- 94. **Darius:** It is easier to press buttons and decide things.
- 95. **Interviewer:** Do you ever have a concern about calling at a bad time or going to voice mail certain times of the day?
- 96. **Darius:** Yes, that is why I prefer to call them when I know they are available but I will leave a message.
- 97. **Interviewer:** Are far in advance would you plan your meeting?
- 98. **Darius:** The same day
- 99. **Interviewer:** Would you start the meeting even if everyone could not attend?
- 100. Darius: Yes
- 101. **Interviewer:** Would you send out the information yourself or would people be delegated to contact others?
- 102. **Darius:** Generally, I would keep the group to 4 or 5 so we would not need to delegate.
- 103. **Interviewer:** Would you be the one to take on the responsibility of organizing this?
- 104. **Darius:** It just depends. If someone needs to book a car and someone has access he would take care of that. If I were taking care of the biking I would have the information about people who want to go and where we are going. Someone would find the bikes. We would divide among ourselves the responsibilities.
- 105. **Interviewer:** During that one-week process, how would you communicate coordination as the day approaches?
- 106. **Darius:** We would phone or chat.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Would you use more phoning calling or chatting?
- 108. **Darius:** We would use more phone calling than chatting. For longer conversations we would use chatting but for short conversations to see if something has been done we would use the phone.
- 109. **Interviewer:** What means of communication would you and your friends use the day of the event and the day before?
- 110. **Darius:** Mostly phone calling
- 111. **Interviewer:** Do you think there would be a lot of phone calling involved?
- 112. Darius: Yes
- 113. **Interviewer:** Why?
- 114. **Darius:** Just to confirm everything. To make sure the car has been rented, we have the bikes, and people have been informed about these things and any last minute details.
- 115. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were cooking with friends?
- 116. **Darius:** I do it all the time.
- 117. **Interviewer:** Does it have to be coordinated or decided in advance?
- 118. **Darius:** No, it's just a routine thing
- 119. **Interviewer:** Dancing. Do you do dancing by yourself?
- 120. Darius: Yes
- 121. **Interviewer:** What kind of dancing?
- 122. **Darius:** Free dance
- 123. **Interviewer:** Do you go somewhere for this or in the privacy of your own home?
- 124. **Darius:** In the privacy of my home just teaching myself.
- 125. **Interviewer:** This is not planned or scheduled just when you feel like it.
- 126. Darius: Yes

- 127. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to do filming and directing with strangers.
- 128. **Darius:** Yes, because I am not sure how many of my friends would be comfortable with me filming or directing them so I would prefer strangers.
- 129. **Interviewer:** You are not too comfortable with friends being involved?
- 130. **Darius:** Yes, when I am serious about something others might not be than I would not be comfortable.
- 131. **Interviewer:** You would know that strangers would be serious about it because this would be more professional than personal fun.
- 132. Darius: Yes
- 133. **Interviewer:** Which would you prefer, directing or acting?
- 134. **Darius:** Directing
- 135. **Interviewer:** What would be your process in finding people to be involved in your potential movie?
- 136. **Darius:** I would have to google to find out what type of crew and equipment would be needed. Based on the script what locations are needed. I would need to have a budget. Movie stars you usually know already.
- 137. **Interviewer:** What would you do first?
- 138. **Darius:** I would decide on a budget.
- 139. **Interviewer:** How would you decide on a budget?
- 140. **Darius:** I would use google first of all and based on my script find out how much I would need and how much it would generally cost. Then I would contact perspective people and find out the prices of everything such as equipment at a decent price to include in the budget.
- 141. **Interviewer:** Besides equipment, what else would you add to your budget?
- 142. **Darius:** The equipment, the actors, and the people involved.
- 143. **Interviewer:** Describe to me how you would go about researching in terms of actors.
- 144. **Darius:** If I had a \$1,500 budget I would use my small camera shooting pictures where the actors would not matter. It would be more about filming in terms of whose there at that moment and what you would want to capture. If I am really directing serious movies there is a film academy in New York with actors who might want to act.
- 145. **Interviewer:** How would you go about recruiting actors from these places?
- 146. **Darius:** I would need a casting director who would know how to recognize those unique qualities in an actor needed for a part.
- 147. **Interviewer:** How would you find this casting director?
- 148. **Darius:** I would google or talk to friends who may know someone in the business. After talking to friends I would visit universities talking to professors or anybody in the profession and contacting them through e-mail to get the right person.
- 149. **Interviewer:** You would google for technical things. In terms of people you would go through friends to find people in the business. What would you do if your friends did not know of anyone?
- 150. **Darius:** I would contact other universities and google other organizations to find information. I would e-mail people based on the information found.
- 151. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a house party?
- 152. **Darius:** Two weeks ago I had friends come to a house party that I gave.
- 153. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan for this house party?
- 154. **Darius:** One week in advance.
- 155. Interviewer: How did you communicate with your friends about this house party idea?
- 156. **Darius:** In person
- 157. **Interviewer:** Since this was your idea, were you the organizer of this party?
- 158. Darius: Yes
- 159. **Interviewer:** How many people were at the party?
- 160. **Darius:** 7
- 161. **Interviewer:** Did you invite all 7 people?
- 162. Darius: Yes
- 163. **Interviewer:** Was this done face-to-face?
- 164. Darius: Yes
- 165. **Interviewer:** Did you have any complications meeting with them face-to-face about this house party?

- 166. Darius: No
- 167. **Interviewer:** As the date was approaching, did you use any means of communication to remind them of the party?
- 168. **Darius:** I called them on the phone.
- 169. **Interviewer:** When did you call them?
- 170. **Darius:** A day before the party.
- 171. **Interviewer:** Did you call all 7 of them?
- 172. **Darius:** Yes
- 173. **Interviewer:** Were there any challenges?
- 174. **Darius:** I had to delegate some of the work.
- 175. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to go jet skiing with your friends.
- 176. **Darius:** Yes
- 177. **Interviewer:** Have you ever been jet skiing?
- 178. **Darius:** No
- 179. **Interviewer:** If you wanted to go jet skiing, what would be the process involved in going with your friends?
- 180. **Darius:** I would contact my friends through Gtalk or face-to-face. I would search google for locations and then reviews. I would call or visit my friends at their home about this event.
- 181. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan for this jet skiing event?
- 182. **Darius:** One week in advance
- 183. **Interviewer:** During the course of that week, would you coordinate with them about that jet skiing trip?
- 184. **Darius:** I would call them the day of the event to give them details.
- 185. **Interviewer:** Would there be any challenges?
- 186. **Darius:** Sure, the trip could be canceled; some people might get busy and drop out of the trip.
- 187. **Interviewer:** Do you do kung fu?
- 188. **Darius:** Yes, I practice in my home. I used to do it when I was a kid. It was karate type kung fu.
- 189. **Interviewer:** Would you do karate the same as dancing, just teach yourself?
- 190. **Darius:** Because I have taken class that is what I prefer because karate is not something easy to teach yourself on Utube. Some things I prefer to do myself but for other things I would like to have an instructor.
- 191. **Interviewer:** What would be your process in finding an instructor?
- 192. **Darius:** I would talk to friends. I would keep an eye out for someone who is really good at his profession.
- 193. **Interviewer:** Would you go through Google?
- 194. **Darius:** I would avoid Google because I would prefer a personal meeting.
- 195. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you would do that for karate versus the other activities?
- 196. **Darius:** The other activities like arts and craft, dancing, and aerobics is something that you are doing for your own time and it is not something that if you did it wrong that there would be a problem. Karate can be done for self-defense, fitness, and health. It takes concentration. It does not make sense to do it improperly. So I prefer an experienced teacher who would be willing to take me as a student.
- 197. **Interviewer:** When you wrote down music, what did you have in mind?
- 198. **Darius:** Listening to music and playing music.
- 199. **Interviewer:** Do you play an instrument?
- 200. **Darius:** I am not good at it but I play the piano.
- 201. **Interviewer:** Do you do this with friends?
- 202. **Darius:** No, I play at home. I will listen to music with friends when they come over for a visit. I would play music with strangers if I went to a bar or club.
- 203. **Interviewer:** Would you go racing with friends and strangers?
  - Darius: Yes
- 204. **Interviewer:** Is this go- cart racing?

- 205. **Darius:** Yes, there is a track in south Jersey where they allow the NASCAR's to be there and they allow you to race.
- 206. **Interviewer:** If you waned to go see racing what would be the process involved?
- 207. **Darius:** Generally, I would not go to see a race; I would prefer to see it on television. If I had a chance to do it myself, I would google for information. I happened by chance to meet a person who was promoting his own racetrack in Jersey. This would be the way I would go to see racing.
- 208. **Interviewer:** You met him in person?
- 209. Darius: Yes
- 210. **Interviewer:** Where did you meet him?
- 211. Darius: The New York International Car Show
- 212. Interviewer: Would you want to go racing yourself?
- 213. Darius: Yes
- 214. **Interviewer:** What would be the process involved?
- 215. **Darius:** I would use google to find a place to go, check the reviews, and contact the person.
- 216. **Interviewer:** If you found a place that offered racing, would you go by yourself or with friends?
- 217. **Darius:** I would go with friends.
- 218. **Interviewer:** If your friends could not go with you, would you still go racing?
- 219. **Darius:** Yes, I would go by myself.
- 220. **Interviewer:** Would your interest be strong enough to go even if you had to be around strangers?
- 221. Darius: Yes
- 222. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went sight seeing?
- 223. **Darius:** I went two weeks ago to Washington, DC to see the cherry blossoms and Baltimore, Maryland.
- 224. **Interviewer:** How many friends went with you?
- 225. **Darius:** 4 friends
- 226. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose ideas it was to go to Washington, DC?
- 227. **Darius:** It was my idea to see the cherry blossoms.
- 228. **Interviewer:** How did you contact your friends about this trip?
- 229. **Darius:** We talked face-to-face since they were my roommates.
- 230. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan this trip?
- 231. **Darius:** Two days in advance
- 232. **Interviewer:** Between the two days and up to the event was there any means of communication used to further coordinate this trip?
- 233. **Darius:** Yes, phone calls
- 234. **Interviewer:** Did you have one person doing the entire phone calling?
- 235. **Darius:** Yes, one of my roommates did the entire phone calling because the person driving was one of his friends so he was coordinating it.
- 236. **Interviewer:** It was your ideas to go on the trip but the person who further coordinated the trip was a friend of yours who has a friend with a car. So your friend contacted that person and everyone else about the date and time.
- 237. **Darius:** No, we had fixed a date and time but my friend just coordinated a means of transportation.
- 238. **Interviewer:** Do you know the friend with the car well?
- 239. Darius: No
- 240. **Interviewer:** One of your roommates knew this friend with the car.
- 241. Darius: Yes
- 242. **Interviewer:** Any means of communication between you and the person driving was done through your friend.
- 243. Darius: Yes
- 244. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to go ski diving with friends?
- 245. Darius: Yes
- 246. **Interviewer:** Can you describe the process involved in trying to make that happen?
- 247. **Darius:** First, I would ask my friends about going. Then I would use google to find locations, the best review, and contact my friends about this face-to-face. Finally, I would call them by phone.
- 248. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan this activity?

- 249. **Darius:** At least a week in advance to get people to go and not cancel.
- 250. **Interviewer:** Would you go ski diving without friends?
- 251. **Darius:** Yes, if I am alone and I have nothing else to do.
- 252. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went skiing?
- 253. **Darius:** Last year on a GSA trip.
- 254. **Interviewer:** How did GSA communicate with you about this trip?
- 255. Darius: Face-to-face
- 256. **Interviewer:** Did you ever go skiing before the GSA trip?
- 257. **Darius:** Yes, I went skiing with one of my friends earlier.
- 258. **Interviewer:** Was this your friend's idea?
- 259. Darius: Yes
- 260. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you about the skiing trip?
- 261. **Darius:** He called me about the trip. He had already done his homework about where to go.
- 262. **Interviewer:** How many people went on this trip?
- 263. **Darius:** Just the two of us
- 264. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was it planned?
- 265. **Darius:** We had talked about going but it was finalized the day before the trip.
- 266. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used?
- 267. **Darius:** Phone calling and Gtalk
- 268. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went swimming?
- 269. **Darius:** I went 6 months ago in the fall.
- 270. **Interviewer:** Did you go with friends?
- 271. **Darius:** No
- 272. **Interviewer:** Have you ever gone with friends?
- 273. **Darius:** Yes I have been with friends.
- 274. **Interviewer:** Usually, whose idea is it when you go with friends?
- 275. **Darius:** Usually my friends ask me to come with them.
- 276. **Interviewer:** How far in advance is this planned?
- 277. **Darius:** The day before
- 278. **Interviewer:** How do they communicate with you about it?
- 279. **Darius:** We just chat
- 280. **Interviewer:** How far in advance were you contacted to be involved with the Career Fair?
- 281. **Darius:** A month in advance
- 282. **Interviewer:** Did you volunteer or did you receive a message? How did they communicate with you?
- 283. **Darius:** I was contacted in person because I had participated last year.
- 284. **Interviewer:** Since it was a month in advance, was there some kind of coordination leading up to the date?
- 285. **Darius:** I contacted the person in charge through e-mail and they told me that I would be contacted by a certain date. I received e-mails about the meetings and how the activities would be divided among all the people involved.
- 286. **Interviewer:** You have an interest in golf?
- 287. **Darius:** Yes
- 288. Interviewer: Would you go with friends?
- 289. Darius: Yes
- 290. **Interviewer:** What would be the process in getting together with friends to go golfing?
- 291. **Darius:** The same process. I would ask them if they are interested; do some homework in advance on Google to find a location.
- 292. **Interviewer:** Would you do this one week in advance?
- 293. **Darius:** In the case of golf I would say slightly more than one week because my friends do not know anything about golfing. I would need to find out if there are any instructors to give us lessons.
- 294. **Interviewer:** How much time?

- 295. **Darius:** I would say at least a month for golfing. If you were in the flow of golfing one week would be sufficient.
- 296. **Interviewer:** Why one month versus one week?
- 297. **Darius:** One month incase someone has a problem shedding out that much money.
- 298. **Interviewer:** This decision is based on cost since this can be an expensive sport.
- 299. **Darius:** Yes, giving people more time to get the money.
- 300. **Interviewer:** What would be your means of communication in coordinating with them throughout that month?
- 301. **Darius:** We would meet to talk about it or chat on the phone throughout the month.
- 302. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at Temple?
- 303. **Darius:** Two week ago
- 304. **Interviewer:** Were you with friends?
- 305. **Darius:** No, I was alone.
- 306. **Interviewer:** Do you go with friends sometimes?
- 307. **Darius:** It depends. I would go with or without friends.
- 308. **Interviewer:** You mentioned that you would play tennis with friends or strangers.
- 309. Darius: Yes
- 310. **Interviewer:** Can you describe the process involved in planning to play tennis?
- 311. **Darius:** I would play at school because I played about 6 months ago. I would call friends the same day about playing.
- 312. **Interviewer:** If you could not find friends to go would you go by yourself?
- 313. **Darius:** I would go but I would be hesitant because you need a partner. But if I know of a place where people gather to play I would join them.
- 314. **Interviewer:** You would just ask someone to play?
- 315. **Darius:** Yes

## Figure B.11 Interview with Subject 11.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year? You're a graduate student?
- 2. **Yin**: yeah, graduate student.
- 3. **Interviewer:** How many years have you been here at NJIT?
- 4. **Yin**: 1 year.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Yin**: occupational safety and health engineering.
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. **Yin**: yes.
- 9. **Interviewer:** And what is your current occupation what kind of work do you do?
- 10. **Yin**: I work as a research assistant.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or off campus?
- 12. **Yin**: no off campus.
- 13. **Interviewer:** And how far is your commute, how long does it take you to get here?
- 14. **Yin**: by bus 20 minutes.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 16. **Yin**: roommates.
- 17. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 18. **Yin**: 2.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you use any networking sites such as facebook or mysapce?
- 20. **Yin**: yeah.
- 21. **Interviewer:** What websites?
- 22. **Yin**: Jin Jin
- 23. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 24. **Yin**: no
- 25. **Interviewer:** How often do you go to Jin Jin, use Jin Jin?
- 26. **Yin**: a week.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Once a week?
- 28. **Yin**: yeah.
- 29. **Interviewer:** And how long are you on Jin Jin when you're on there?
- 30. **Yin**: 30 minutes.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications?
- 32. **Yin**: yes.
- 33. **Interviewer:** What applications do you use?
- **34. Yin**: application you mean software?
- 35. **Interviewer:** Yeah, what kind of programs or software?
- 36. **Yin**: no.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Do you use Jin Jin on there?
- 38. **Yin**: no.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Just call and text, that's it?
- 40. **Yin**: yeah.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time on campus?
- 42. **Yin**: no
- 43. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activies on campus?
- 44. **Yin**: no.
- 45. **Interviewer:** You say here you would like to do badminton with friends?
- 46. **Yin**: yes.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Have you ever done badminton with friends?
- 48. **Yin**: yes.
- 49. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did badmintion?
- 50. **Yin**: in February.
- 51. **Interviewer:** How many of you?
- 52. **Yin**: 3.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Do you remember who's idea it was?

- 54. **Yin**: my friend's idea.
- 55. **Interviewer:** And how did your friend contact you about playing badmintion?
- 56. **Yin**: by phone.
- 57. **Interviewer:** He called you?
- 58. **Yin**: yes.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Did he call you several days before playing badminton.
- 60. **Yin**: no.
- 61. **Interviewer:** He called you the same day?
- 62. **Yin**: yeah.
- 63. **Interviewer:** On the phone?
- 64. **Yin**: yes.
- 65. **Interviewer:** You say you would want to play badminton with strangers?
- 66. **Yin**: yes
- 67. **Interviewer:** Have you ever played with strangers?
- 68. **Yin**: yes.
- 69. **Interviewer:** And so when you played with them, did you go and ask them to play or did they ask you if you want to play?
- 70. **Yin**: yeah I think. They asked me.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Would you ever play badminton without your friends? Say your friends couldn't go but you really wanted to play would you go by yourself?
- 72. **Yin**: yes.
- 73. **Interviewer:** And what would you do when you got there?
- 74. **Yin**: maybe I will play with the others.
- 75. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would go ask them if you can join them and play?
- 76. **Yin**: yeah.
- 77. **Interviewer:** You say you want to go to bars with friends?
- 78. **Yin**: yes.
- 79. **Interviewer:** Have you ever been to a bar with friends?
- 80. **Yin**: yes.
- 81. **Interviewer:** And when was the last time you've been to a bar with friends?
- 82. **Yin**: last month.
- 83. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to the bar?
- 84. **Yin**: 12
- 85. **Interviewer:** Do you remember who's idea it was to go to the bar?
- 86. **Yin**: yes my friend's.
- 87. **Interviewer:** How many of the 12 people did you know personally?
- 88. **Yin**: 2.
- 89. **Interviewer:** So the other 10 you didn't know?
- 90. **Yin**: yes.
- 91. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did your friend contact you to go to the bar?
- 92. **Yin**: the same day.
- 93. **Interviewer:** And how did he contact you?
- 94. **Yin**: by phone.
- 95. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?
- 96. **Yin**: hmmm.
- 97. **Interviewer:** So he called you the same day. What time did he call you?
- 98. **Yin**: in the morning I think.
- 99. **Interviewer:** And what time did you all go to the bar?
- 100. **Yin**: late afternoon. Around 5pm.
- 101. **Interviewer:** When he called you you had no problem going?
- 102. **Yin**: yeah.
- 103. **Interviewer:** So when you arrived, where the other people already there?
- 104. **Yin**: no, yeah. No no.
- 105. **Interviewer:** So when you were about to go, did you meet with your friend first then go to the bar?
- 106. **Yin**: yeah we went together.

- 107. **Interviewer:** So he called you in the morning?
- 108. **Yin**: yes.
- 109. **Interviewer:** Did he call you later that day?
- 110. **Yin**: yes.
- 111. **Interviewer:** Where to meet?
- 112. **Yin**: yes.
- 113. **Interviewer:** So did you meet or talk to any of those people you didn't know?
- 114. **Yin**: yes.
- 115. Interviewer: Did you exchange any personal information with them like a phone number or email?
- 116. **Yin**: no.
- 117. **Interviewer:** Just talked?
- 118. **Yin**: yeah.
- 119. **Interviewer:** Did your friend know any of those people?
- 120. **Yin**: yes.
- 121. **Interviewer:** A lot of them or not so many?
- 122. **Yin**: I think one of my friends know a lot of them.
- 123. **Interviewer:** And you say with strangers being those you didn't know?
- 124. **Yin**: yes.
- 125. **Interviewer:** Cars. You say you'd want to, so say for example go to a car show? You have an interest in cars?
- 126. **Yin**: yes.
- 127. **Interviewer:** What kind of interest do you have in cars?
- 128. **Yin:** I happen to get my driver's license. And I need practice. And one of these days I'll go buy a car.
- 129. **Interviewer:** Let's say you need to go practice driving a car. Tell me what you would do to try to do that? What would be your process?
- 130. **Yin**: I would ask my roommate to take me to a place and practice.
- 131. **Interviewer:** So your roommate has a car?
- 132. **Yin**: yes.
- 133. **Interviewer:** Would there be any other way like say your roommate is busy and doesn't have time, what would you do then?
- 134. **Yin**: I would call other friends.
- 135. **Interviewer:** Who have cars?
- 136. Yin: yes.
- 137. **Interviewer:** And say if they wouldn't be available is there any other means? You'd just call friends?
- 138. **Yin**: yes.
- 139. **Interviewer:** Cooking, when was the last time you did cooking?
- 140. **Yin**: I cook everyday.
- 141. **Interviewer:** And you say technology here. You categorize cooking with technology?
- 142. **Yin**: yes. I can have skew.
- 143. **Interviewer:** You mean the type of machinery or something you use?
- 144. **Yin**: no. Cooking a type of skill.
- 145. Interviewer: So you mean technical, what to mix with what?
- 146. **Yin**: yes.
- 147. **Interviewer:** Do you ever contact people to come and cook with you?
- 148. **Yin**: no.
- 149. **Interviewer:** You cook by yourself?
- 150. **Yin**: by myself.
- 151. **Interviewer:** So you want to do cultural socials with friends?
- 152. **Yin**: yes.
- 153. **Interviewer:** So cultural social is a social gathering and is meant to learn more about another culture or to be around people from another culture.

- 154. **Yin**: yes.
- 155. **Interviewer:** So lets say you wanted to go to one. Can you tell me what you would do to go about finding any cultural socials and go to them.
- 156. **Yin**: hmm, I think. I'm an international student so I think the International student office will organize several activities to let people know each other from different cultures.
- 157. **Interviewer:** But what would you do to go find out if there are any cultural socials?
- 158. **Yin**: I will.
- 159. **Interviewer:** You're not sure?
- 160. **Yin**: no. I would wait for an email.
- 161. **Interviewer:** You say you would like to drink with friends?
- 162. **Yin**: yes.
- 163. **Interviewer:** Have you gone out drinking with friends before?
- 164. **Yin**: yes.
- 165. **Interviewer:** This is the bar situation?
- 166. **Yin**: yes. We also drink at home.
- 167. **Interviewer:** So say if you were interested in drinking and going to drink with friends tell me what would be your process.
- 168. **Yin**: I would call them several days before. And then see who will come who will not. And we'll choose a place. And maybe some of my friends will go together. Others will go alone.
- 169. **Interviewer:** You would only call?
- 170. **Yin**: yes.
- 171. **Interviewer:** Would you use Jin Jin or would you text?
- 172. **Yin**: maybe use QQ.
- 173. **Interviewer:** How often do you use QQ?
- 174. Yin: often. Everyday.
- 175. **Interviewer:** Do you use it with friends here or do you use it with friends also in China?
- 176. **Yin**: I think mainly with my friends in China.
- 177. **Interviewer:** How long or how many times a day do you use it?
- 178. **Yin**: one hour.
- 179. **Interviewer:** So for what purposes do you use QQ? Is it only to chat with friends who are in China? **Yin**: yes.
- 180. **Interviewer:** Do you use it for any other purposes?
- 181. **Yin**: no.
- 182. Interviewer: Just that, just chat with friends?
- 183. **Yin**: yes.
- 184. **Interviewer:** And what do you use Jin Jin for?
- 185. **Yin**: to leave a message with friends.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Friends where?
- 187. **Yin**: in China.
- 188. **Interviewer:** Only in China?
- 189. **Yin**: yes.
- 190. **Interviewer:** And do you use Jin Jin for friends where that you meet.
- 191. **Yin**: yes yes. No, I use QQ.
- 192. **Interviewer:** You use QQ with friends here?
- 193. **Yin**: yes.
- 194. **Interviewer:** In the US?
- 195. **Yin**: yes.
- 196. **Interviewer:** In Newark?
- 197. **Yin**: yes.
- 198. **Interviewer:** Do you use it with friends in China or no?
- 199. Yin: which one?
- 200. **Interviewer:** So you use QQ with your friends here....
- 201. Yin: yeah both friends here and in China.
- 202. **Interviewer:** And you use Jin Jin only with friends in China but not here?
- 203. Yin: yes.

- 204. **Interviewer:** Gaming. What kind of gaming do you do?
- 205. **Yin**: video games.
- 206. **Interviewer:** What video game do you play?
- 207. **Yin**: wii.
- 208. **Interviewer:** Do you play any other games?
- 209. Yin: no. Computer games.
- 210. Interviewer: What kind of computer games?
- 211. **Yin**: online games.
- 212. **Interviewer:** Can you name some of the games you play online?
- 213. **Yin**: hmmm, it's not....
- 214. **Interviewer:** It's Chinese?
- 215. **Yin**: yeah.
- 216. **Interviewer:** That's fine, what are they?
- 217. Yin: Dragon Raja.
- 218. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 219. Yin: no. Played World....
- 220. **Interviewer:** World of Warcraft?
- 221. **Yin**: World of Warcraft yes.
- 222. **Interviewer:** Which one do you play the most? The Dragon one?
- 223. **Yin**: yes.
- 224. **Interviewer:** So when was the last time you were gaming with friends?
- 225. **Yin**: you mean video games or computer games?
- 226. **Interviewer:** Lets say video games.
- 227. **Yin**: two weeks.
- 228. Interviewer: And where did you do that?
- 229. **Yin**: at home.
- 230. **Interviewer:** And so who's home?
- 231. Yin: I and my roommate's.
- 232. **Interviewer:** How many people were there to play?
- 233. **Yin**: last time just two.
- 234. **Interviewer:** You and your roommate?
- 235. **Yin**: yes.
- 236. **Interviewer:** Did you plan in advance to get together and play video games?
- 237. **Yin**: hmm, no.
- 238. **Interviewer:** You decided right there at the house to play face to face?
- 239. **Yin**: yes.
- 240. Interviewer: Hunting, you said you would like to do hunting with friends and strangers?
- 241. **Yin**: yes.
- 242. Interviewer: So if you wanted to go hunting tell me what you would do to try and do that?
- 243. Yin: hmmm. I will check from the Internet and see where I can do this.
- 244. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate on my computer how you would go about finding a way to go hunting?
- 245. **Interviewer:** So you would first put in the topic of hunting and find places in NJ?
- 246. **Yin**: yes.
- 247. **Interviewer:** Then after would you continually try to find a bunch of places in NJ? What factors would affect your decision on what places to go hunting?
- 248. **Yin**: like the price.
- 249. **Interviewer:** Ok price would be very important to you. So that would be the most important thing to you at first. What would be next to the price?
- 250. Yin: distance. Is it far?
- 251. **Interviewer:** And then what?
- 252. **Yin**: and how about, the place. Place is nice or....

- 253. **Interviewer:** Ok so lets discuss um. You'd go to google and look up different places. Lets say you have a collection of places you found. If you found a price that had the lowest price but it was very far away, would you consider going there?
- 254. **Yin**: yes.
- 255. **Interviewer:** Now lets say that there's a place more expensive but it is closer. Which would you want? The one that's least expensive but it's far away, or one that's closer?
- 256. Yin: cheaper.
- 257. **Interviewer:** So you would be willing to go the furthest distance because its cheaper?
- 258. **Yin**: yes.
- 259. **Interviewer:** Now lets say the one that's closer and more expensive has very good reviews. But the one that's cheaper and far away doesn't really have that many reviews. Which one would you choose?
- 260. **Yin**: I would go to the one with good reviews.
- 261. **Interviewer:** Even if its more expensive?
- 262. **Yin**: yes.
- 263. **Interviewer:** And it's closer?
- 264. **Yin**: yes
- 265. **Interviewer:** Now lets say there's one that's cheaper and it's close, but there's one that costs more money and its further but has really good reviews. Which one would you choose? The cheaper one that's close by or the more expensive one that's farther away but the reviews are very good?
- 266. **Yin**: cheaper one.
- 267. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you would choose the cheaper one?
- 268. **Yin**: hmmm, because it's also very near.
- 269. **Interviewer:** Lets say that you have a cheaper one that's close by, an expensive one that's close by, and the expensive one has better reviews than the cheaper one which one would you go to?
- 270. **Yin**: maybe still the cheaper one.
- 271. **Interviewer:** So for you it's more important the price and distance?
- 272. **Yin**: yes.
- 273. **Interviewer:** So in that order price, then distance, then reviews? That would be the most important and help you decide where to go?
- 274. **Yin**: yes.
- 275. **Interviewer:** Now lets say you found such a place. You found a place you want to go to, then what would you do? Would you go by yourself or would you try to bring friends along?
- 276. **Yin**: I would try to bring my friends.
- 277. **Interviewer:** So tell me how would you communicate with your friends about this hunting idea you have?
- 278. **Yin**: I think I will email.
- 279. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you would email them vs. calling them?
- 280. **Yin**: because I can send my email to different, several people.
- 281. **Interviewer:** And that would be much easier for you than calling each one of them?
- 282. **Yin**: yes.
- 283. Interviewer: How many friends would you contact?
- 284. **Yin**: hmmm. The more the better maybe the people I'm familiar with.
- 285. **Interviewer:** So how many?
- 286. **Yin**: 8
- 287. **Interviewer:** So you would email 8 people about what?
- 288. **Yin**: about the place. And the basic information about the place.
- 289. **Interviewer:** How would you go about deciding a day and a time? Or would you even organize it, would you organize this trip?
- 290. Yin: yes.
- 291. **Interviewer:** Tell me what you would put in your email. So can you demonstrate to me, lets pretend you were sending the email to your friends can you show me how you would do it on here?
- 292. **Yin**: about the email.
- 293. **Interviewer:** Yes just write. You're not going to send it, but lets pretend you are going to write them an email. So go ahead and create an email, and add them into the To: list so add their email addresses, but you're not going to send it you're going to write it. I want to see how you would do

- this. And it doesn't have to be an actual place lets just say you found a place we'll call it 'hunting place.'
- 294. **Yin**: I think I will tell someone I am most familiar with. And then we will decide a time, a period of time and ask other people.
- 295. **Interviewer:** So face to face.
- 296. **Yin**: yes. Face to face with my most familiar friend.
- 297. **Interviewer:** So you would discuss more details with him?
- 298. Yin: yes.
- 299. Interviewer: And then when you decide on a day and a time....
- 300. Yin: yes. A period of time and we will ask other friends to come during this period.
- 301. **Interviewer:** Face to face, or would you send an email?
- 302. **Yin**: I will send an email to other friends.
- 303. **Interviewer:** How many, you would send it to 8 people?
- 304. **Yin**: yeah.
- 305. **Interviewer:** What email client would you use?
- 306. **Yin**: gmail.
- 307. **Interviewer:** The school gmail.
- 308. **Yin**: no.
- 309. **Interviewer:** Your own gmail?
- 310. Yin: yes.
- 311. **Interviewer:** So can you demonstrate to me how you would go on your gmail account and send that email.
- 312. **Yin**: ok.
- 313. **Interviewer:** Can I come around and look?
- 314. **Yin**: ok.
- 315. **Yin**: do I have to write the email?
- 316. **Interviewer:** Yeah just write it for me.
- 317. **Interviewer:** And the xx would be the address?
- 318. **Yin**: no some people. Some, the name of my friend.
- 319. **Interviewer:** After you talk to them about it right?
- 320. **Yin**: yes.
- 321. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't put in the day or the time that you were talking you would just see who's interested? Like you said that with your friend you would decide what day and time.
- 322. **Yin**: yeah.
- 323. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't put that in your email, the day and time? You'd just say who's interested?
- 324. **Yin**: hmm, now. I think.
- 325. **Interviewer:** Ok next week you said next week sometime. And how would you add your friends into the "To:" box.
- 326. **Interviewer:** Ok so can you go through and select the people you would send that to?
- 327. **Interviewer:** Ok so then you would do done?
  - **Yin**: it's not enough because, yeah...
- 328. **Interviewer:** Oh you had more people, it's not showing them all?
- 329. **Yin**: yes.
- 330. **Interviewer:** Ok then just close out.
- 331. Interviewer: Ok so first you'd find the place, you would then go talk to about two of your friends?
- 332. **Yin**: yes.
- 333. **Interviewer:** Discuss a day and time?
- 334. **Yin**: yes.
- 335. **Interviewer:** Then you would email that many people?
- 336. **Yin**: yes.
- 337. Interviewer: Then you would get responses, what kind of responses do you think you would get?
- 338. **Yin**: a call or email.
- 339. **Interviewer:** What do you think they would call you for?
- 340. **Yin**: hmm, they may say hmmm, they may ask the exact time or date.

- 341. **Interviewer:** And you'd be able to tell them on the phone?
  - Yin: yeah we would discuss together.
- 342. **Interviewer:** And an email you would just respond by email and tell them?
- 343. **Yin**: yes.
- 344. **Interviewer:** Would you call any of them?
- 345. **Yin**:no I think not.
- 346. **Interviewer:** So you would find a place, discuss it with close friends, then each of your friends would contact people. Would you give back to your closest friends again to plan further?
- 347. **Yin**: yes.
- 348. **Interviewer:** SO how would you coordinate with your friends about getting back together to discuss more about this hunting trip?
- 349. **Yin**: by phone.
- 350. **Interviewer:** Ok the close once you already talk to?
- 351. **Yin**: yes.
- 352. **Interviewer:** So all three of you, you put what looked like three names.
- 353. **Yin**: yes.
- 354. **Interviewer:** So you would contact one friend at a time?
- 355. **Yin**: yes.
- 356. **Interviewer:** Do you know who would be organizing it? When I say organizing I mean someone who's in charge who knows all the information and shares it with someone else. Would that be you or somebody else?
- 357. **Yin**: someone else.
- 358. **Interviewer:** So you'd rather have one of your friends do the organizing?
- 359. **Yin**: yes.
- 360. Interviewer: So you would contact one friend and what would you tell your friend?
- 361. **Yin**: I would tell him about hmmm. I would just tell him to be in touch.
- 362. **Interviewer:** Would you tell him how many of your friends you contacted who are interested in hunting?
- 363. **Yin**: yes.
- 364. **Interviewer:** So after you're done talking with that friend to find out how many people you two have coming, you would call the second friend?
- 365. **Yin**: yes.
  - **Interviewer:** Would you call the second friend or you would ask that friend to call that person?
- 366. **Yin**: I would call the second friend.
- 367. **Interviewer:** You'd call the second friend and share that information?
- 368. **Yin**: ves
- 369. **Interviewer:** So then you would mostly keep in touch by email with the friends you invited, but phone with the people you talked to about getting together and doing this?
- 370. **Yin**: yes.
- 371. **Interviewer:** So on the day of, would you be calling those friends? Lets say tomorrow you're going to go hunting and you planned it all out. Would you expect your friends you contacted by email to show up or would you call them?
- 372. **Yin**: I would call them I think.
- 373. **Interviewer:** Would you call them or would you expect them to show up tomorrow because you've already emailed them and contacted them about it.
- 374. **Yin**: I would call them.
- 375. **Interviewer:** Would you contact them tomorrow or today?
- 376. **Yin**: today
- 377. **Interviewer:** To make sure they're coming and know where to meet?
- 378. Yin: ves.
- 379. **Interviewer:** But before that you would use email?
- 380. **Yin**: yes.
- 381. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to see a movie?
- 382. **Yin**: hmmm, last month. In March.
- 383. **Interviewer:** Did you go to a movie theater?

- 384. **Yin**: yes.
- 385. **Interviewer:** How many people went?
  - Yin: 2.
- 386. Interviewer: You and ...
- 387. **Yin**: my roommate.
- 388. **Interviewer:** And how did you plan for this? Did you decide the same day or did you decide several days in advance or a week in advance?
- 389. **Yin**: no we went to a mall and we just decide there to go see a movie.
- 390. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to go to the mall?
- 391. **Yin**: my idea.
- 392. **Interviewer:** And it was you and your friend?
- 393. **Yin**: yes.
- 394. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did you plan to go to the mall? Did you make plans or did you decide that day you wanted to go to the mall?
- 395. **Yin**:I decided a day before.
- 396. **Interviewer:** So when you went, did you invite your friend the day before or the day that you were going?
- 397. **Yin**: the day going.
- 398. **Interviewer:** Was this your roommate?
- 399. Yin: yes.
- 400. **Interviewer:** So you just talked to him face to face and asked if he'd like to come?
- 401. **Yin**: yes.
- 402. **Interviewer:** And then you went shopping there, does your roommate have a car?
- 403. **Yin**: no.
- 404. **Interviewer:** Did you go by car or train?
- 405. **Yin**: by bus.
- 406. **Interviewer:** And you already knew the bus schedule?
- 407. **Yin**: yes
- 408. **Interviewer:** So you got to the mall. And then after some shopping who's idea was it to see a movie?
- 409. Yin: hmmm, his idea.
- 410. **Interviewer:** Music, you say you want to. Is it play music or listen....
- 411. **Yin**: play music.
- 412. **Interviewer:** Do you play any instruments now?
- 413. **Yin**: yes saxophone.
- 414. **Interviewer:** And you would like to play with strangers?
- 415. **Yin**: yes.
- 416. **Interviewer:** So like play in a band or play with a group of people who are interested?
- 417. **Yin**: yes.
- 418. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to go someplace to play your saxophone with a group of people, how would you do that?
- 419. **Yin**: I don't know.
- 420. **Interviewer:** Not sure?
- 421. **Yin**: no.
- 422. **Interviewer:** Do you have any ideas what you would try to do? Would you use any technology or any resources?
- 423. **Yin**: no.
- 424. **Interviewer:** Ok, you say you read by yourself?
- 425. Yin: yes.
- 426. **Interviewer:** Is this for school or do you read for fun?
- 427. **Yin**: for school.
- 428. **Interviewer:** And shopping when was the last time you went shopping with friends?
- 429. **Yin**: last Sunday.

- 430. **Interviewer:** Was this the same day you went movie watching?
- 431. **Yin**: no.
- 432. **Interviewer:** The shopping with friends last Sunday who's idea was it?
- 433. Yin: another friend of mine was going shopping. And I asked him to take me with him.
- 434. **Interviewer:** How many of you went?
- 435. **Yin**: 3.
- 436. **Interviewer:** So you, your friend, and the third person. Did you know that person?
- 437. **Yin**: yes I know. Not my...
- 438. **Interviewer:** He's not your friend though he's someone you know? Or are they both your friends?
- 439. **Yin**: both my friend.
- 440. **Interviewer:** How did you find out your friend was going shopping?
- 441. **Yin**: because they usually go shopping.
- 442. **Interviewer:** On weekends?
- 443. **Yin**: yes.
- 444. **Interviewer:** Did you ask the day before or day of?
- 445. **Yin**: day before.
- 446. **Interviewer:** And how did you contact your friend?
- 447. **Yin**: by phone.
- 448. **Interviewer:** So you called him the day before are you going shopping, can I come?
- 449. **Yin**: yes
- 450. **Interviewer:** And do you live together?
- 451. **Yin**: no
- 452. **Interviewer:** So he had to come pick you up?
- 453. **Yin**: yes.
- 454. **Interviewer:** So you discussed what time and everything on the phone?
- 455. **Yin**: yes.
- 456. **Interviewer:** Sightseeing you say you'd want to do sightseeing with friends?
- 457. **Yin**: yes.
- 458. Interviewer: Have you done any sightseeing with friends?
- 459. **Yin**: we went to New York.
- 460. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it to go to New York?
- 461. **Yin**: my idea.
- 462. **Interviewer:** And how many people went?
- 463. **Yin**: 3.
- 464. **Interviewer:** So it was your idea, did you first contact somebody? Your friend about going to New York?
- 465. **Yin**: yes.
- 466. Interviewer: And how far in advance did you contact your friend about going to New York?
- 467. **Yin**: hmmm, 2 or 3 days before.
- 468. **Interviewer:** And how about the third person was that someone you contacted?
- 469. Yin: yes.
- 470. **Interviewer:** So you contacted one and the other friend you contacted too?
- 471. **Yin**: yes.
- 472. **Interviewer:** So you called them and said do you want to come and they said yes?
- 473. **Yin**: yes
- 474. **Interviewer:** So for those 2 to 3 days, was there any other way that you communicated with them? Was it only phone or was there other ways?
- 475. **Yin**: only phone.
- 476. **Interviewer:** Did you contact them everyday, or just contacted them the first time you said do you want to go to New York?
- 477. **Yin**: yes and the day before.
- 478. **Interviewer:** You called them the day before to see if they still wanted to go and what time to meet?
- 479. **Yin**: yes.
- 480. **Interviewer:** Did you call them at all the day of?
- 481. **Yin**: yes, we meet in the station.

- 482. **Interviewer:** In New York or here in NJ?
- 483. **Yin**: no here.
- 484. **Interviewer:** Because you all don't live together?
- 485. **Yin**: no.
- 486. **Interviewer:** Volunteering you say you'd like to volunteer with strangers?
- 487. **Yin**: yes.
- 488. **Interviewer:** So how would you try to find some volunteer opportunities?
- 489. **Yin**: I would use the Internet.
- 490. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on here how you would do that?
- 491. **Interviewer:** Can you scroll up, let me see what you put in your search?
- 492. Yin: the place.
- 493. **Interviewer:** So you did a search for Newark. Ok so you go online, you go to google, and you put in volunteer. I think you put in what, volunteer for safety?
- 494. **Yin**: yes.
- 495. **Interviewer:** So something related to your major?
- 496. **Yin**: yes
- 497. **Interviewer:** Would you try to volunteer for anything else?
- 498. **Yin**: no.
- 499. Interviewer: Just what's related to your major. Is it to get more experience in it?
- 500. **Yin**: yes.
- 501. **Interviewer:** So you would try to find something that would interest you?
- 502. **Yin**: yes
- 503. **Interviewer:** And then what would you do?
- 504. **Yin**: about a place. Is it far?
- 505. **Interviewer:** So the factor would be how far it is. You would choose the closest place?
- 506. **Yin**: yes.
- 507. **Interviewer:** If there was contact information, like a person to contact would you contact that person?
- 508. **Yin**: yes.
- 509. **Interviewer:** When you're deciding what place to go to, are you also thinking about how you're going to get there by transportation?
- 510. **Yin**: yes of course.
- **511. Interviewer:** So what would you think to do? What would be your means of transportation to get there and get that when you're deciding upon which place?
- **512. Yin**: by bus.
- 513. **Interviewer:** So you'd take the bus. You'd do the activity then take the bus back?
- 514. **Yin**: yes.
- 515. **Interviewer:** You wouldn't contact any friends or anything about a ride?
- 516. **Yin**: no
- 517. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason you wouldn't want to contact your friends?
- 518. **Yin**: because I think it's impossible for my friend to just give me a ride to drop me off there and they have to go back.
- 519. **Interviewer:** Ok so too much of a burden on your friends?
- 520. **Yin**: yes.
- 521. **Interviewer:** So you would rather take the bus to get there and take the bus back?
- 522. **Yin**: yes.

## Figure B.12 Interview with Subject 12.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Thomas**: I'm doing my Masters.
- 3. **Interviewer:** Are you first year, second year...
- 4. **Thomas**: my second year, third semester.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Thomas**: electrical engineering.
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. **Thomas**: no
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 10. **Thomas**: off campus
- 11. **Interviewer:** And how far is your commute?
- 12. **Thomas**: 20 minutes from here. It's in Harrison.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself, roommates, or family?
- 14. **Thomas**: I live with my roommates.
- 15. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 16. **Thomas**: 4
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites such as facebook, myspace?
- 18. **Thomas**: yeah facebook, Orkut.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 20. **Thomas**: um, the one that is professional. I don't know it something on the side.
- 21. **Interviewer:** LinkedIn?
- 22. **Thomas**: yeah right.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 24. **Thomas**: no. Flicker I use flicker.
- 25. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 26. **Thomas**: everyday.
- 27. **Interviewer:** And how many times a day?
- 28. **Thomas**: maybe 3 or 4 times.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Each time you're on there, how much time do you usually spend each session?
- 30. **Thomas**: it's around 10 minutes. 10 to 15 minutes. It depends on how many posts I have and how interesting they are.
- 31. **Interviewer:** What do you primarily use it for, Facebook?
- 32. **Thomas**: I use it for friends and communicate to find new friends.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Orkut, how often do you use Orkut?
- 34. **Thomas**: um, around the same. Maybe lesser than facebook.
- 35. **Interviewer:** How many times a day would you say...
- 36. **Thomas**: 3 to 4.
- 37. **Interviewer:** And how many minutes or amount of time...
- 38. **Thomas**: maybe 5 minutes, or less than that. Facebook is becoming more famous than Orkut now.
- 39. **Interviewer:** LinkedIn, how often do you use LinkedIn?
- 40. **Thomas**: LinkedIn maybe twice or thrice a day.
- 41. **Interviewer:** And how much time do you spend each time you're there?
- 42. **Thomas**: maybe 10 or 15 minutes.
- 43. **Interviewer:** And flicker how often do you use Flicker?
- 44. **Thomas**: flicker once in a while. Maybe once in a week or so. When I want to upload my photos then I use flicker otherwise not much.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications?
- 46. **Thomas**: no
- 47. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 48. **Thomas**: yeah I do have.
- 49. **Interviewer:** And what do you do in your free time?
- 50. **Thomas**: I read books. Um, surf on the net. Photography is my hobby so I do some photography. Um, I do play cricket. Table tennis. I go to gym and work out.
- 51. **Interviewer:** How many hours do you surf the internet?

- 52. **Thomas**: maybe 2 or 3 hours.
- 53. **Interviewer:** Each day
- 54. **Thomas**: each day.
- 55. **Interviewer:** Just for fun?
- 56. **Thomas**: just for fun, for my research and all that stuff. For my studies, including everything.
- 57. **Interviewer:** And what about reading, you say you do reading is that for fun or leisure?
- 58. **Thomas**: some for fun, some to get knowledge, some for religious.
- 59. **Interviewer:** And you mentioned cricket you play cricket....
- 60. **Thomas**: once in a week. That's on Sundays. Gym I go twice a week.
- 61. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 62. **Thomas**: not much
- 63. **Interviewer:** And do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 64. **Thomas**: uh, not really.
- 65. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played badminton with friend?
- 66. **Thomas**: last May.
- 67. **Interviewer:** How many of you went to play badminton?
- 68. **Thomas**: uh, 4 to 5 people.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Do you know who's idea it was to go play badminton?
- 70. **Thomas**: who's idea, uh my roommate's idea it was.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Was it a guy?
- 72. **Thomas**: he is a guy.
- 73. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he contact you about playing badminton?
- 74. **Thomas**: we stuck together itself.
- 75. **Interviewer:** So face to face he said he was going to play badminton?
- 76. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 77. **Interviewer:** So the same day he asked you about playing badminton?
- 78. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 79. **Interviewer:** And so that same day you went...
- 80. **Thomas**: we went yeah. In the last May that time we use to play regularly. After we stopped.
- 81. **Interviewer:** How far was your commute back then to school?
- 82. **Thomas**: around 20-25 minutes.
- 83. **Interviewer:** Now your friend asked you and you said there's four of you so when you arrive where there two other people that you knew that your friend invited?
- 84. **Thomas**: we called friends themselves, we asked them are you coming and then they said yeah we'll be coming.
- 85. **Interviewer:** Who called you or your friend?
- 86. **Thomas**: ah, I called one he called one.
- 87. **Interviewer:** And so you all arrived there?
- 88. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 89. **Interviewer:** Did you have to pick up people and go?
- 90. **Thomas**: no no no, they met us there.
- 91. **Interviewer:** You say you play with strangers so people who are already there?
- 92. **Thomas**: yeah, we had also played with them.
- 93. **Interviewer:** Did the people you were with ask go ask them or the did people over there ask you all?
- 94. **Thomas**: ah yeah actually he was alone so he asked us can we play with you we said ok. We were playing 4 of us then two went away then only 2 of us were remaining and he was alone. So he said you play 2 of you on one side and I play.
- 95. **Interviewer:** Concerts, when was the last time you were at a concert?
- 96. **Thomas**: I don't remember. A concert maybe in India, maybe 2 or 3 years back.
- 97. **Interviewer:** You can't remember?
- 98. Thomas: no.
- 99. **Interviewer:** Lets say if, do you like to go to concerts?
- 100. **Thomas**: not much actually but I do go.
- 101. Interviewer: Lets say you want to go to a concert, what kind of music are you into?

- 102. Thomas: jazz.
- 103. **Interviewer:** Ok, so say you were interested in checking out a jazz concert, can you tell me the process you'd go through to make that happen?
- 104. **Thomas**: I'd google it.
- 105. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on here how you would go about finding, or googling.
- 106. **Interviewer:** Ok so you would go on google.
- 107. Thomas: uh hm.
- 108. **Interviewer:** You would choose to want to go to New York City?
- 109. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 110. **Interviewer:** And then you would then....
- 111. **Thomas**: find ah what is a suitable timing, what is a suitable date for me.
- 112. **Interviewer:** You would go based on date and suitable time. So wouldn't necessarily matter to you the name of the place or anything else?
- 113. **Thomas**: not much.
- 114. **Interviewer:** Would you go by yourself or would you invite friends?
- 115. **Thomas**: I would go with my friends.
- 116. **Interviewer:** What would you do first would you first find out if your friends want to go and then you would look up a place or you would look up a place then....
- 117. **Thomas**: no I would plus ask my friends when they are ready and when they are having the time, and then I would find the timing.
- 118. **Interviewer:** Based on everyone's availability?
- 119. **Thomas**: everyone's availability right.
- 120. **Interviewer:** How many friends do you think you would contact or invite?
- 121. **Thomas**: maybe 6 to 8 friends.
- 122. Interviewer: And how would you communicate with all of them?
- 123. **Thomas**: mobile obviously.
- 124. **Interviewer:** So you would call 6-8 friends?
- 125. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 126. **Interviewer:** And one sitting just one after the other?
- 127. **Thomas**: uh hm. It would be like a chain. I will ask him to call the other person, I would call 2 people they would call another 2.
- 128. **Interviewer:** So you would delegate, so you would only make about 1-2 phonecalls are 2-3 phone calls.
- 129. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 130. **Interviewer:** So you'd do that and you may get a mix of say yeah sure I'm interested. And you would, so what would you do first you'd ask them are you interested and what day or time?
- 131. **Thomas**: I would ask first if he's interested. If he says no then the matter is closed.
- 132. **Interviewer:** But if he says yes then what?
- 133. **Thomas**: then I'd definitely ask him when you are free.
- 134. **Interviewer:** And he gives you a day?
- 135. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 136. **Interviewer:** Doesn't have to be a date but a day and time?
- 137. Thomas: yeah.
- 138. **Interviewer:** So then you would ask him ok, see if anyone else wants to go?
- 139. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 140. Interviewer: And do you expect him to call you back with details on who else wants to go?
- 141. **Thomas**: ah, if he doesn't give the call back I will again call him that all the persons are ready or not. **Interviewer:** And how many are going. In the meantime I will search on the internet on what is the exact date. I would give that information also to him.
- 142. **Interviewer:** SO about the second friend you contact, say they did the same thing ok on this day whatever. What if there are conflicting days? Like if friend 1 gave you a day of availability that's different than friend 2. Then what would you do?
- 143. **Thomas**: I would take with my timings.
- 144. **Interviewer:** Your time?
- 145. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 146. **Interviewer:** Now lets say all three of you have conflicting times, then what would you do?

- 147. **Thomas**: then I would cancel the plan. Because I don't want to go alone like the place is like this. The concert, I don't want to go alone.
- 148. **Interviewer:** Would you try to push for a much later date? For example, would you aim to try to do this within one week or two weeks time?
- 149. **Thomas**: preferably maybe 2 or 3 days coming week. Because otherwise people get lazy after some time.
- 150. **Interviewer:** So you would try to aim at doing this in 2-3 days.
- 151. **Thomas**: yeah. As soon as possible.
- 152. **Interviewer:** So you would call and say look, lets do this in a couple of days.
- 153. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 154. **Interviewer:** Probably on a weekend?
- 155. **Thomas**: right.
- 156. **Interviewer:** So really you'd be offering them a particular day like Saturday, or Friday night. Because you said you would call and find out if friends want to go before finding a time.
- 157. **Thomas**: right.
- 158. **Interviewer:** They basically say yes or no, and say they don't specify a time yet. So you wait to hear back from them and they may contact some friends?
- 159. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 160. **Interviewer:** So you'd just kind of wait around. How long would you wait before you start calling your friends again to get more information?
- 161. **Thomas**: Once I get information I would call them back.
- 162. **Interviewer:** How long would you think that....
- 163. **Thomas**: maybe about 1, 2, 1 and a half hours.
- 164. **Interviewer:** So lets say one of them calls you back within an hour and says yeah I have 2 people interested in coming. They're available on anytime after 5, and one person who's a maybe. You haven't heard from your other friend so you call you friend up and what would you ask them? If they're still interested if anyone else is coming?
- 165. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 166. **Interviewer:** So say now you've got friends who say they're interested. You've got a general time lets say after 5pm. Then what would you do next?
- 167. **Thomas**: search on the internet for the timing.
- 168. **Interviewer:** A jazz concert that matches that time in New York?
- 169. **Thomas**: right.
- 170. **Interviewer:** In that whole process do you feel there would be any challenges in coordinating this kind of activity?
- 171. **Thomas**: if ah. If you don't get the tickets because it's the weekend times. Then maybe the possibility you won't get tickets.
- 172. **Interviewer:** So you don't consider it to be too tiresome to have to make those phonecalls to your friends and coordinate with them about coming....
- 173. **Thomas**: no if I want to go it's not a tiresome work for me.
- 174. **Interviewer:** But you would consider yourself to be the organizer, the one who's finding it and letting them know that kind of thing?
- 175. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 176. **Interviewer:** So lets say you manage to do all this that first day and you plan for 3 days later you're all going to go. As the time is approaching, what means of communication would you use to contact your friends about this activity? For example, if you that first day organize it and say ok this day this time, would you tell them on Saturday on this time we'll meet here?
- 177. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 178. **Interviewer:** So the day before would bother to contact them, or?
- 179. **Thomas**: I would contact them the day itself. ON the day of the event. Where are you, are you coming on time or not.
- 180. **Interviewer:** Would that be before the time that is scheduled to meet?
- 181. **Thomas**: yes of course I would contact them before the time.
- 182. **Interviewer:** And so to you that's not a bother or a challenge for that kind of coordination?
- 183. **Thomas**: no
- 184. **Interviewer:** And you'd only do phone calling?

- 185. **Thomas**: yeah preferably. Because it may some ring someone don't ring. The second option is to text them the message. It's better to call. You get a clear idea, there's no confusion about it.
- 186. **Interviewer:** You would only contact those two friends who you contacted in the first place.
- 187. **Thomas**: right
- 188. **Interviewer:** And they're going to contact their friends?
- 189. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 190. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played cricket?
- 191. **Thomas**: Sunday
- 192. Interviewer: And how many people were involved?
- 193. **Thomas**: 6 or 7 people were there.
- 194. **Interviewer:** And do you remember who's idea it was to get together for cricket?
- 195. **Thomas**: yeah it was uh, it was one of my friend's idea to play cricket. They started playing cricket on the backyard and then we joined them.
- 196. **Interviewer:** It's a routine every Sunday?
- 197. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 198. **Interviewer:** So this last past Sunday your friend contact you about cricket or you just knew to go there?
- 199. **Thomas**: no we, ah no. Um, one of my other friend contacted him are you going to play today? So he said yes so we're going to play today and we went around 7pm.
- 200. **Interviewer:** So who contacted you about going? Did anyone contact you about going or did you just knew to go there?
- 201. **Thomas**: my friend contacted to, um contacted the other person and my roommate wanted to go. So he was going so he told me that we need to go now.
- 202. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 203. Thomas: yeah.
- 204. **Interviewer:** The day of?
- 205. **Thomas**: on that day itself.
- 206. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't like planned in advance with you?
- 207. **Thomas**: no.
- 208. Interviewer: And you say here with strangers because people you don't know when you show up?
- 209. Thomas: yeah, right.
- 210. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dancing with friends?
- 211. **Thomas**: dancing? Maybe 2 or 3 weeks. I don't remember.
- 212. **Interviewer:** Was it at a dance club? Or if you were to go dancing with friends would it be at a dance club?
- 213. **Thomas**: dance. We dance for the Holi Night. In the NJIT itself.
- 214. **Interviewer:** So getting together and practicing then?
- 215. **Thomas**: not practicing. It was just like a DJ.
- 216. **Interviewer:** Oh like an afterparty type of thing?
- 217. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 218. **Interviewer:** That was the last instance that you can recall?
- 219. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 220. Interviewer: And that was just because of Holi festival, and how did you find out about it?
- 221. **Thomas**: it was the schedule, I got an email from SANSKAR.
- 222. **Interviewer:** You've DJed before? You've been a DJ?
- 223. Thomas: no. I thought that was for DJ night or something like that.
- 224. **Interviewer:** So do you ever want to learn how to DJ or you're just not interested?
- 225. **Thomas**: I would love to.
- 226. **Interviewer:** Learn how to DJ?
- 227. Thomas: yeah.
- 228. **Interviewer:** So lets say that if you decided that you want to learn how to DJ what would be your process to make that happen?

- 229. **Thomas**: I would need to contact someone who knows a good DJ and to take the training from someone.
- 230. Interviewer: How would you do that? Who exactly would you contact to talk to about DJ?
- 231. **Thomas**: I'll contact some of my friends because ah, they may be knowing some DJs. I'll extract from them if anyone knows about that.
- 232. **Interviewer:** And if you do what would you then do?
- 233. **Thomas**: then I would ask them to take me to that DJ and I would talk to him.
- 234. **Interviewer:** In person?
- 235. Thomas: yeah. In person.
- 236. **Interviewer:** Say if none of your friends knew a DJ then what?
- 237. **Thomas**: then I would just drop the idea I think so.
- 238. Interviewer: You wouldn't try to look online and find communities or find a DJ?
- 239. **Thomas**: I'm not that much interested in that actually.
- 240. **Interviewer:** Driving, when was the last time you went driving?
- 241. **Thomas**: driving I went in India. I don't have a car over here.
- 242. **Interviewer:** Was it something planned in advance or was it just kind of like parents have a car?
- 243. **Thomas**: no.
- 244. **Interviewer:** Gardening, you would like to learn to gardening?
- 245. Thomas: yeah I would.
- 246. **Interviewer:** So if you were to, you decided you want to start doing gardening what would be your process to get involved in doing gardening? How would you get started, how would you get involved or learn?
- 247. **Thomas**: grab some seeds from the market and start growing it.
- 248. **Interviewer:** So you would go some place where they sell seeds?
- 249. **Thomas**: yeah
- 250. **Interviewer:** And then you would start planting?
- 251. Thomas: uh hm.
- 252. **Interviewer:** That's it?
- 253. Thomas: yeah.
- 254. Interviewer: So you wouldn't go online to find advice or information, you would just go ahead?
- 255. **Thomas**: yeah. I'd start planting first and then I'd see what to do after the plant comes out.
- 256. **Interviewer:** So how would you find a place to buy seeds to do that?
- 257. **Thomas**: I think I can get it in the market itself.
- 258. **Interviewer:** You said you'd go to a market, a nearby store?
- 259. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 260. **Interviewer:** Golf you say you'd like to learn or play golf?
- 261. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 262. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to learn to play golf what would be your process in finding a place to do that?
  - Thomas: I don't know.
- 263. **Interviewer:** Well think about, just think about it for a minute and kind of if you knew you wanted to play golf, what would you do to make that happen?
- 264. **Thomas**: first I would need to find a golf ground. It's not here I think so. Not near my area.
- 265. **Interviewer:** Ok so you realize you need to find a golf ground?
- 266. **Thomas**: right.
- 267. **Interviewer:** So how would you go about finding a golf ground?
- 268. **Thomas**: obviously go on the Internet. Google maps and google and go for a golf ground in NJ and you can find it. And then I would check the distance from my house and if it's nearby then I'd go and check.
- 269. **Interviewer:** What's the most important thing to you about finding a place to go golfing? Like what factors would make you decide, I want to go to this golf course?
- 270. **Thomas**: uh. How far is it and how much time it's going to take. And how can I reach there.
- 271. **Interviewer:** Time being to participate or to get there?

- 272. **Thomas**: to get there.
- 273. **Interviewer:** So mostly distance?
- 274. **Thomas**: distance right.
- 275. **Interviewer:** Would be your biggest concern?
- 276. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 277. **Interviewer:** Would you invite any friends?
- 278. **Thomas**: of course. If someone's interested I would take them.
- 279. **Interviewer:** So back when I had asked you about this jazz concert you went through this process of I would first contact my friends, find out if they're interested. And then I'd go look up based on everyone's availability a place to go jazz. And you would do this 2 or 3 days in advance. So in terms of golf, what would you do first? You would look for a place nearby?
- 280. **Thomas**: I would look for a place nearby and I want to go there. And I will ask my friend if he is coming. If he's coming then it's fine if he's not coming then it's fine.
- 281. Interviewer: So would you go even if your friends didn't come?
- 282. Thomas: yeah.
- 283. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you try to plan for this golfing?
- 284. **Thomas**: maybe one or two days.
- 285. **Interviewer:** Same as with concert?
- 286. **Thomas**: concerts yeah.
- 287. **Interviewer:** But the difference between a concert is you would find a place for golfing first, then contact your friends about...
- 288. **Thomas**: because uh for a concert going alone doesn't make any sense. If you're having a group it makes sense.
- 289. **Interviewer:** But for golfing for you you see this as an activity that can be done by yourself without having friends come along?
- 290. Thomas: yes.
- 291. **Interviewer:** So you would already decide I'm going to go and I'm just inviting friends but if they don't, then I'm still going to go.
- 292. Thomas: yeah.
- 293. **Interviewer:** And your means of communication would be what? Phone?
- 294. Thomas: phone.
- 295. **Interviewer:** Just phone?
- 296. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 297. **Interviewer:** Movie watching, when was the last time you went to see a movie with your friend?
- 298. **Thomas**: maybe two weeks ago. Maybe last weekend?
- 299. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were there?
- 300. **Thomas**: um, 5 or 6 people.
- 301. **Interviewer:** And you remember who's idea it was to go see the movie?
- 302. **Thomas**: it was my friend's idea. He called me up and asked are you willing to come to the movie. It was some Indian movie. And then I said yeah and then, so we went.
- 303. Interviewer: And how far in advance did you contact you about that?
- 304. **Thomas**: on the same day itself.
- 305. **Interviewer:** And that was the plan? It was to see that movie? It wasn't some activity you all did and then go see the movie?
- 306. **Thomas**: no it was just to see the movie.
- 307. **Interviewer:** And these 3 other people, did you know them or you didn't? **Thomas:** yeah we, I was going there.
- 308. **Interviewer:** And did you invite any people along?
- 309. **Thomas**: no.
- 310. **Interviewer:** Museum, when was the last time you were at a museum with friends?
- 311. **Thomas**: I don't' remember.
- 312. Interviewer: But you have been with friends before?
- 313. **Thomas**: yeah.

- 314. **Interviewer:** Lets say that if you were deciding I'm going to go to a museum. Like maybe there's a museum that interests you. What would be your process of finding a museum or deciding upon a museum to go visit?
- 315. **Thomas**: I'd first go check on the internet with that museum. Is it free or does it have an entry fee. And depending on that I would ask some friends.
- 316. **Interviewer:** So do you think you would have a museum already in mind? Maybe you heard about it or maybe you...
- 317. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 318. Interviewer: So then you would go online to look it up and then you would contact friends?
- 319. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 320. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't contact your friends first and then look it up. You look it up then contact
- 321. **Thomas**: no ah it's not like that. Nothing I have planned about that. It maybe.
- 322. **Interviewer:** Um?
- 323. **Thomas**:it maybe both ways.
- 324. **Interviewer:** It could go either way?
- 325. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 326. Interviewer: What do you think though would affect your decision on which one to do first?
- 327. **Thomas**: if friend says no then I have to, I have to do it with myself itself.
- 328. **Interviewer:** I ask that because say if because it seems that the previous times you've mentioned doing that. One was kind of you decided based upon your friend's availability vs. the other one was that you knew you were going to go anyway so you were just inviting people along. So what category do you think the museum visitation would fall in?
- 329. **Thomas**: it depends actually. Maybe the first category.
- 330. Interviewer: Being that you would want to know when your friends are available and go with them?
- 331. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 332. **Interviewer:** Ok, so your decision on what time and everything would be based upon your friend's availability moreso than your availability and you just asking if they want to come along like golfing?
- 333. **Thomas**: right.
- 334. **Interviewer:** So is it because you see museum visitation as a group thing or an individual thing, activity?
- 335. **Thomas**: it's an individual thing activity but still if you have some company it is fine. If you're going alone you sometime can get bored.
- 336. **Interviewer:** Ok but the difference with that and golf is that with golf you feel it's something you can do just by yourself?
- 337. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 338. **Interviewer:** So it's kind of with concerts and museum visits it's more fun when there's a group than going by yourself?
- 339. Thomas: right.
- 340. **Interviewer:** And that's why you would consider your friends availability rather than just your availability and tagging people along?
- 341. **Thomas**: right.
- 342. **Interviewer:** Shopping when was the last time you went shopping?
- 343. **Thomas**: maybe last week.
- 344. **Interviewer:** And did you go with friends?
- 345. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 346. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went together going shopping?
- 347. **Thomas**: I went with one of my roommates to do the grocery shopping.
- 348. **Interviewer:** Ok so this shopping is grocery shopping?
- 349. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 350. Interviewer: And how was that decided up. Was that planned in advance or decided the day of?
- 351. **Thomas**: that day itself.
- 352. **Interviewer:** Face to face?
- 353. **Thomas**: yeah face to face.

- 354. **Interviewer:** Snowboard, you would like to do snowboarding?
- 355. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 356. **Interviewer:** By yourself?
- 357. **Thomas**: yeah I'd like to do it myself.
- 358. **Interviewer:** Without friends? **Thomas**: yeah with friends also.
- 359. **Interviewer:** So say you wanted to go snowboarding, tell me your process involved with snowboarding.
- 360. **Thomas**: firstly of course I'd find it on the interenet that um, where is the places where I can go snowboarding.
- 361. **Interviewer:** What website would you use first?
- 362. **Thomas**: google.
- 363. **Interviewer:** You would go there then what, what would you put in the text box?
- 364. **Thomas**: ah snowboarding. And snowboarding and the options will come.
- 365. **Interviewer:** What would factor in your decision on what place to go snow boarding?
- 366. **Thomas**: uh, it depends on how much cost there, I'd need to pay. It depends on that also. And how much long or how's the distance.
- 367. **Interviewer:** So distance and cost?
- 368. **Thomas**: distance and cost.
- 369. **Interviewer:** So say you found a place, and it was a certain amount. You found another place that was cheaper but it was further away. Which one would you choose? The one that's more expensive but close by or the one that's least expensive but far away?
- 370. **Thomas**: ah it depends on what is the difference between the cost. If it is just the \$10 or \$15 then it's better to go to the near one. If it is maybe \$60 or \$70 then it would be going to the longer distance.
- 371. **Interviewer:** So if it's a signification amount like more than \$50, you would go that longer distance?
- 372. **Thomas**: right.
- 373. **Interviewer:** Now with this snowboard you would find a place. Would you find this place, would you want to invite friends to come along?
- 374. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 375. **Interviewer:** Would you contact your friends to find out their availability first or would you go planning when you want to go?
- 376. **Thomas**: no I would find out with friends itself.
- 377. **Interviewer:** Is it because you feel it's more fun to go with friends than by yourself?
- 378. **Thomas**: yes. Because I will be going for the first time so of course it's going to be fun going with friends.
- 379. **Interviewer:** Say if you were a seasoned, seasoned being a well experience snowboarder after a while, would you still want to try to go with friends?
- 380. **Thomas**: no then it would just to go. If I want to go I will go. I will ask my friends if they're coming it's fine. If they're not coming it's fine.
- 381. **Interviewer:** You've never played golf before have you?
- 382. **Thomas**: no.
- 383. **Interviewer:** In terms of the difference between golf and snowboarding. What do those two sports mean to you? Because like in golf, you've never played golf, but you'd be willing to go by yourself with out friends. And you would just have friends tag along. But your first time snowboarding you would want friends to come along.
- 384. **Thomas**: golf is different game and ah snowboarding is a different game. Golf uh, there is much fun in snowboarding when you're in a group. People can fall around and it's fun.
- 385. **Interviewer:** But you mentioned that if you learned to snowboard pretty well, then you'd go by yourself.
- 386. **Thomas**: yeah of course. Then things change. You're going on the mountain and just going.
- 387. **Interviewer:** So the fun would be the challenge vs. the first time would be just the fun of falling around?
- 388. Thomas: yeah.

- 389. **Interviewer:** Now how far in advance would you plan for this snowboarding trip?
- 390. **Thomas**: maybe two weeks.
- 391. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why you would choose to do it a longer period of time than concerts or golf?
- 392. **Thomas**: ah. Because it depends on the place also. And on how we are going to go there. And snacks and all that stuff. Everything needs to register so.
- 393. **Interviewer:** So you are planning this to almost me like a road trip. Like this could be very far away?
- 394. **Thomas**: not very far away but if it's like 2 to 3 hours away. It's going to take the whole day.
- 395. **Interviewer:** But with concerts and golf it won't take the whole day.
- 396. **Thomas**: yeah, 3 or 4 hours.
- 397. **Interviewer:** And you can do it a couple days in advance.
- 398. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 399. **Interviewer:** So what would be your process in communicating with your friends? You would just call?
- 400. **Thomas**: yeah I would call them.
- 401. **Interviewer:** Call and delegate and find out how many people want to go?
- 402. **Thomas**: exactly, right.
- 403. **Interviewer:** And this would be over the course of 2 weeks planning?
- 404. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 405. **Interviewer:** Now since you mentioned about snacks and food and things like that. Would you sort of delegate that responsibility? That means, discuss with people ok you're responsible for this, you're responsible for that.
- 406. **Thomas**: I think I would discuss with the people. If uh, we would discuss if we're going to take it with us ourselves itself, or would be by over there itself. We'd discuss and decide.
- 407. **Interviewer:** I guess it would be about needing a vehicle. Do any of your friends have cars or vehicles?
  - **Thomas**: no. We can either plan for the public transit.
- 408. **Interviewer:** Public transportation?
- 409. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 410. **Interviewer:** Would you consider renting a car?
  - Thomas: we can do that also.
- 411. **Interviewer:** Which one would you choose to do? Public transporation or rent a car?
- 412. **Thomas**: it depends on the money.
- 413. **Interviewer:** How much it costs?
- 414. **Thomas**: yeah. If the public transportation costing \$5-10 then why would I get a car?
- 415. **Interviewer:** But that's assuming that there is a public transportation stop near a sky resort somewhere?
- 416. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 417. **Interviewer:** What if there isn't? What if there is no public transportation route?
- 418. **Thomas**: then I need to consider for a car.
- 419. **Interviewer:** Would you put any emphasis in having your friends try and find someone who has a car?
- 420. **Thomas**: yeah I would do that.
- 421. **Interviewer:** But you would consider yourself to be the organizer you would want to organize this trip?
- 422. **Thomas**: yep.
- 423. **Interviewer:** And mostly all this would be coordinate by phone over the two week period of time?
- 424. **Thomas**: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** Would there be any other technology you would consider using? Like facebook or email?
- 425. **Thomas**: email. I would email the details of what we're going to do.
- 426. **Interviewer:** Would you just email to the immediate friends you contacted or everyone?
- 427. **Thomas**: no, everyone.
- 428. **Interviewer:** So you would get all those details from your friends?
- 429. Thomas: right.

- 430. **Interviewer:** Give me the emails.
- 431. **Thomas**: yeah the email ids, right.
- 432. **Interviewer:** Do you feel there would be somewhat of a challenge having to go through this process of calling them to gather information on people's emails and then having to send out an email?
- 433. **Thomas**: um, not really.
- 434. **Interviewer:** Swimming, when was the last time you went swimming with friends?
- 435. **Thomas**: swimming it took long back time. I don't remember.
- 436. **Interviewer:** Was it at NJIT?
- 437. **Thomas**: no back in India.
- 438. **Interviewer:** Lets say you decide you want to go swimming what would your process be in planning to go swimming?
- 439. **Thomas**: swimming we'd go directly to the NJIT.
- 440. **Interviewer:** Gym?
- 441. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 442. **Interviewer:** So in that case would you invite friends or go on your own?
- 443. **Thomas**: I'd go on my own.
- 444. **Interviewer:** Any reason you'd go on your own?
- 445. **Thomas**: no I would just go on my own. No reason. I will ask one or two friends if they are coming. If they're not coming it's fine, I will go on my own.
- 446. **Interviewer:** Because it's something that doesn't take a whole day?
- 447. **Thomas**: yeah, you just go for one hour take a swim.
- 448. **Interviewer:** For exercise?
- 449. Thomas: yeah.
- 450. **Interviewer:** Tennis, you say you want to play tennis with friends. Have you ever played tennis before?
- 451. **Thomas**: no I haven't played.
- 452. **Interviewer:** But you'd want to?
- 453. Thomas: right.
- 454. **Interviewer:** Say you wanted to go play tennis, what would be your process in making that happen?
- 455. **Thomas**: I need to find out the tennis ground first. There was one NJIT but now it is closed. We were planning to go over here but it doesn't happen.
- 456. **Interviewer:** So since that's not available then what will you do?
- 457. **Thomas**: then I will wait.
- 458. **Interviewer:** Until they're done?
- 459. **Thomas**: no. I'll wait if I see some place then I will definitely have a go.
- 460. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would walk around and explore?
- 461. **Thomas**: no I won't explore much on tennis.
- 462. **Interviewer:** You mean you wouldn't really bother since it's not so easily available?
- 463. Thomas: yeah.
- 464. Interviewer: Lets say that was available here. What then would your process be?
- 465. **Thomas**: then I will ask one of my friend to play for tennis.
- 466. **Interviewer:** If your friend couldn't come with you would you go by yourself?
- 467. **Thomas**: no.
- 468. **Interviewer:** Even if you knew there would be people there? **Thomas:** if someone is playing then definitely I would have gone.
- 469. Interviewer: So you wouldn't mind going by yourself and asking strangers can I join you or play?
- 470. **Thomas**: yeah
- 471. **Interviewer:** And it wouldn't bother you about skill level or anything.
- 472. **Thomas**: no I wouldn't bother. I will tell them that I'm a newcomer.
- 473. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went traveling?
- 474. **Thomas**: traveling when I went to India when I went on some trip.
- 475. **Interviewer:** What trip was that?
- 476. **Thomas**: I went to a place called Malgari in India.
- 477. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went?

- 478. **Thomas**: I went with my family.
- 479. **Interviewer:** Was this something you planned with your family or you decided when you got there?
- 480. **Thomas**: no I decided before going from here itself.
- 481. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your family?
- 482. **Thomas**: on phone and the Internet.
- 483. **Interviewer:** On the Internet how on the internet? Just email or you use something like skype?
- 484. **Thomas**: I use yahoo messenger.
- 485. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance was this trip planned?
- 486. **Thomas**: it was planned maybe one or two months ago.
- 487. **Interviewer:** In advance?
- 488. **Thomas**: yeah in advance. It was for 6 or 7 days. **Interviewer:** That whole trip?
- 489. Thomas: yeah.
- 490. **Interviewer:** So because of that much time you planned two months in advance?
- 491. **Thomas**: uh hm.
- 492. **Interviewer:** You say here travel with strangers.
- 493. **Thomas**: ah, that is for if we are not taking any vehicle then you need to ask for the...
- 494. **Interviewer:** Ok. Volleyball, when was the last time you played volleyball?
- 495. **Thomas**: maybe 5 or 6 years ago.
- 496. **Interviewer:** And this is in India?
- 497. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 498. **Interviewer:** Do you recall, was there a process involved in volleyball?
- 499. **Thomas**: we played regularly actually. We had a ground near my house and people use to call me from the ground to play.
- 500. **Interviewer:** So face to face ask you to play?
- 501. Thomas: yeah.
- 502. **Interviewer:** And strangers being people you didn't know there?
- 503. **Thomas**: yeah sometimes the people use to come and say we would like to play.
- 504. **Interviewer:** When were you at Temple with friends?
- 505. Thomas: Sunday, last Sunday.
- 506. **Interviewer:** And is this a routine for you to go to Temple?
- 507. Thomas: yeah.
- 508. **Interviewer:** So is there any coordination involved in having to do that? Like someone having to call everyone and say lets go?
- 509. **Thomas**: I go with my roommate so it's face to face.
- 510. **Interviewer:** Yoga, you do yoga?
- 511. Thomas: yeah.
- 512. By yourself?
- 513. Thomas: yeah
- 514. **Interviewer:** You've been doing it a long time?
- 515. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 516. **Interviewer:** Did you grow up learning yoga?
- 517. **Thomas**: ah no. I did it maybe 3 or 4 years ago.
- 518. **Interviewer:** How did you learn?
- 519. **Thomas**: I learned in one of the groups. A group was there.
- 520. **Interviewer:** Was it with a school or something?
- 521. **Thomas**: ah it's not a school but they had the badges. Regular badges for the yogas. They teach for one month and then either you can join them and practice over there, or you can do it by yourself. So they will teach you all the asnovs of yoga.
- 522. **Interviewer:** Photography, something you've been doing by yourself?
- 523. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 524. **Interviewer:** How long have you been doing photography?

- 525. **Thomas**: maybe 2 or 3 years. More than that. I'm doing digital photography maybe 2 or 3 years, and normal ah shoot normal that old camera for maybe 5 or 6 years.
- 526. **Interviewer:** You teach yourself like you get books or look at videos or ask people?
- 527. **Thomas**: I talk to people. I see some videos, read on the internet.
- 528. **Interviewer:** Studies, when was the last time you did studies with friends?
- 529. **Thomas**: studies. On Monday Tuesday yesterday itself because I had a presentation yesterday.
- 530. **Interviewer:** And this was planned in advance?
- 531. Thomas: yeah.
- 532. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to get together?
- 533. **Thomas**: it was my friend's idea.
- 534. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he contact you?
- 535. **Thomas**: the day before.
- 536. **Interviewer:** And how did he contact you?
- 537. **Thomas**: he called me up.
- 538. **Interviewer:** So you just met together?
- 539. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 540. **Interviewer:** You say you'd like to do hiking?
- 541. **Thomas**: yeah I would love to.
- 542. **Interviewer:** By yourself or with friends?
- 543. **Thomas**: I would do it with my friends.
- 544. **Interviewer:** Lets say if you decide you want to go hiking what would your process be to go on a hiking trip?
- 545. **Thomas**: it would be fun if we, if I would be with my friends so of course I would check with my friends and check their availability and just go hiking.
- 546. **Interviewer:** And then find a place?
- 547. **Thomas**: yeah
- 548. **Interviewer:** So a similar process as snowboarding and concerts?
- 549. Thomas: right.
- 550. Interviewer: How far in advance would you plan for this?
- 551. **Thomas**: for hiking?
- 552. Interviewer: Yeah.
- 553. **Thomas**: hiking maybe 2 or 3 days ago. Oh 4 or 5 days ago. So if I want to go Saturday Sunday, then I'd start planning from Monday Tuesday.
- 554. **Interviewer:** You mean if it were to be a 2 day trek or something?
- 555. **Thomas**: yeah. Maybe two day or one day. Because if you are a newcomer you may not be able to do it for 2 days. You may get tired.
- 556. **Interviewer:** So you would try to plan with your friends 2 or 3 days ahead of time before going?
- 557. **Thomas**: yeah.
- 558. **Interviewer:** On the weekend, so you would expect for it to be a day time trip? You spend most of the day...
- 559. **Thomas**: yeah go early morning and come back by early evening or night.
- 560. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at the gym with friends?
- 561. **Thomas**: on Monday.
- 562. **Interviewer:** And how many of you?
- 563. **Thomas**: only 1.
- 564. **Interviewer:** Just the two of you?
- 565. **Thomas**: yeah the two of us.
- 566. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance was this planned?
- 567. Thomas: it was planned on Sunday. It's a regular work. We go on...
- 568. **Interviewer:** So the day of, did someone contact someone? Roommates?
- 569. **Thomas**: yeah roommate.
- 570. **Interviewer:** So this was face to face?
- 571. **Thomas**: yeah

- 572. **Interviewer:** And this is a routine?
- 573. **Thomas**: yeah.

## **Figure B.13** Interview with Subject 13.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your currently school year, freshman?
- 2. **Trevor**: yes.
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Trevor**: Industrial Engineering.
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Trevor**: no.
- 7. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 8. **Trevor**: I live on campus.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 10. **Trevor**: I have a roommate.
- 11. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 12. **Trevor**: 1
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites such as facebook or myspace or anything?
- 14. **Trevor**: facebook and twitter.
- 15. **Interviewer:** And how often do you use your facebook?
- 16. **Trevor**: couple times a day.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Like 2 or 3 times?
- 18. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 19. **Interviewer:** And each time that you're on how many minutes do you spend per session?
- 20. **Trevor**: 3, 4 to 5 minutes.
- 21. **Interviewer:** And how often are you on twitter?
- 22. **Trevor**: a lot during the day, but it's just to update status.
- 23. **Interviewer:** So daily?
- 24. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Any other sites?
- 26. **Trevor**: uh, no.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 28. **Trevor**: I have a facebook and a twitter app.
- 29. **Interviewer:** On your phone?
- 30. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you use any others on your phone?
- 32. **Trevor**: no.
- 33. **Interviewer:** And how often do you use those two applications on your phone? Is that part of your daily regiment?
- 34. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 36. **Trevor**: no, not that much.
- 37. Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 38. **Trevor**: yes.
- 39. **Interviewer:** And can you tell me some of those activities you are involved in?
- 40. **Trevor**: like the clubs?
- 41. **Interviewer:** Yeah, including clubs.
- 42. **Trevor**: I'm part of NSBE. ASA. Varsity track team. I'm on this um, this running program down in Jersey City, track state run or something. That's about it.
- 43. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 44. **Trevor**: no.
- 45. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball with friends?
- 46. **Trevor**: last week.
- 47. **Interviewer:** And you recall who's idea it was?
- 48. **Trevor**: mine.
- 49. **Interviewer:** How many people?
- 50. **Trevor**: 2 of my friends went, we just played whoever was there.
- 51. **Interviewer:** So it was your idea and you contacted two of your friends?

- 52. **Trevor**: I contacted about 4 of them. Most of them had to study.
- 53. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with them?
- 54. **Trevor**: I texted them.
- 55. **Interviewer:** So you texted all 4?
- 56. **Trevor**: all 4.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Like one text after....
- 58. **Trevor**: nah I forward the text to ask whoever wanted to play ball.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Oh you sent it to 4 people all at once?
- 60. **Trevor**: yes.
- 61. **Interviewer:** And they all got back to you?
- 62. **Trevor**: in about 10 minutes.
- 63. **Interviewer:** So 2 of them said they couldn't because they had to study?
- 64. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 65. **Interviewer:** But the other two went with you?
- 66. **Trevor**: yes.
- 67. **Interviewer:** This was all done the day of?
- 68. **Trevor**: in some time.
- 69. **Interviewer:** You say with strangers with people already there?
- 70. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Do you usually, you and your group usually go and ask to join In or do they ask you or is it like a waiting queue?
- 72. **Trevor**: yeah it's usually like someone else plays the game and then you hop in.
- 73. **Interviewer:** And wait your turn?
- 74. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 75. **Interviewer:** You say you want to go biking with friends?
- 76. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Like kind of in the neighborhood or on a biking trip?
- 78. **Trevor**: no just to run.
- 79. **Interviewer:** So say if you wanted to go biking what would be your process in making that happen?
- 80. **Trevor**: since it's something I don't do a lot I would put a status on facebook and invite whoever wanted to to leave me a comment.
- 81. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on here what you'd actually do?
- 82. **Trevor**: should I login too?
- 83. **Interviewer:** Yeah you can actually go on facebook and demonstrate how, you can use that page.
- 84. **Interviewer:** Ok you don't have to actually post it but where would you actually go to? You'd post it there?
- 85. **Trevor**: I'd post here.
- 86. **Interviewer:** And you would expect responses how quickly?
- 87. **Trevor**: about 14 hours. Like a day.
- 88. **Interviewer:** So you would expect by the end of the day people would get back to you?
- 89. Trevor: yeah.
- 90. **Interviewer:** They'd either say I'm interested, not interested, or tease you about why would you want to go biking?
- 91. **Trevor**: something like that.
- 92. **Interviewer:** Do you actually have a bike?
- 93. **Trevor**: I do.
- 94. **Interviewer:** So in your message what would you actually say?
- 95. **Trevor**: I would say um, I have the sudden urge to go for a bike ride. Who wants to come?
- 96. **Interviewer:** So after they respond back and people show an interest, then what would you do?
- 97. **Trevor**: I would have to decide a place to meet. And then we'd just go.
- 98. **Interviewer:** What would your intention be, would it be to plan it several days in advance or week in advance or try to do it the day of?
- 99. **Trevor**: maybe a couple days in advance.
- 100. **Interviewer:** So like 2 or 3 days?
- 101. **Trevor**: 2 or 3 days.

- 102. **Interviewer:** Would there be any other means you would try to get other people involved?
- 103. **Trevor**: no.
- 104. **Interviewer:** So you would mostly just stick with just facebook post it and people who express and interest would you then send it through a facebook message or a news feed?
- 105. **Trevor**: on a news feed.
- 106. **Interviewer:** Purely a news feed?
- 107. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 108. **Interviewer:** So say if 3 people on a news feed say I'm interested. You would then leave a feed to each of them or under the comments?
- 109. **Trevor**: I would write right here just to meet me somewhere.
- 110. Ok so they would all understand that you putting that there applies to all of them?
- 111. **Trevor**: yes.
- 112. **Interviewer:** Would you use any other means like a phone call? For example, you leave that there. Would you continually checkup on it to see if they said ok or confirmed, or would you just show up and whether or not come you're going to go biking?
- 113. **Trevor**: most of them would have my phone number so if they don't show up they'll probably text me.
- 114. **Interviewer:** So people you'd expect to get back to you know you well enough where they could call you?
- 115. **Trevor**: yes.
- 116. Interviewer: Lets say they didn't. No one really expressed an interest would you still go biking?
- 117. **Trevor**: probably not.
- 118. **Interviewer:** So if they did express an interest and you show up and they don't show up what would you do?
- 119. **Trevor**: I'd call them.
- 120. **Interviewer:** And if they said sorry I can't you'd then say ok maybe some other time and not go biking?
- 121. **Trevor**: yeah most likely.
- 122. **Interviewer:** Would you do anything with your twitter in terms of this biking event?
- 123. **Trevor**: not really.
- 124. **Interviewer:** Any reason why? Just something you don't feel a need to broadcast?
- 125. **Trevor**: yeah. It's not that important for me to have to put on twitter.
- 126. **Interviewer:** But you would want it to be like the day of?
- 127. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 128. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at church?
- 129. **Trevor**: Sunday.
- 130. **Interviewer:** And is this a regular routine for you?
- 131. **Trevor**: ves.
- 132. **Interviewer:** Are there any people you have to coordinate with to go to church like call people up?
- 133. **Trevor**: no, I go home on the weekends. So I go with my family.
- 134. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved with community outreach with friends?
- 135. **Trevor**: NSBE had it's own thing. I don't know what it's called but it was a month ago. That's the last thing we did.
- 136. Interviewer: So this was decided among the executive board within NSBE to do this activity?
- 137. **Trevor**: they're the ones that coordinated it.
- 138. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did they plan for this?
- 139. **Trevor**: 2, 3 weeks.
- 140. **Interviewer:** And how did they communicate with the rest of their members about this?
- 141. **Trevor**: email.
- 142. **Interviewer:** So 2 or 3 weeks in advance you were contacted about this by email. Did they request a response?
- 143. **Trevor**: yeah they said anyone interested to reply back.
  - **Interviewer:** That's what you did?

- 144. Trevor: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** And then what happened?
- 145. **Trevor**: actually I didn't reply because I know most of the people on the eboard so I just walked to them or text them on their phone and said I'm interested.
- 146. **Interviewer:** Since it was planned 2 to 3 weeks in advance, was there any means of communication and further coordinating this event or was it sort of 2 or 3 weeks pass by and the day before or day of they contact...
- 147. **Trevor**: two days before they told don't forget you signed up for this.
- 148. **Interviewer:** And how did they do that they email or text you?
- 149. Trevor: email.
- 150. **Interviewer:** And you say with strangers meaning people you're involved with?
- 151. **Trevor**: people who showed up too.
- 152. **Interviewer:** Concert, you say you'd like to do concerts with friends?

Trevor: yeah.

- 153. **Interviewer:** Is there a particular type of concert venue you'd be interested in? **Trevor**: Madison Square Garden.
- 154. **Interviewer:** What kind, boxing, music?
- 155. Trevor: music.
- 156. **Interviewer:** What kind of music?
- 157. **Trevor**: hip hop and R&B.
- 158. **Interviewer:** So sort of like an artist coming to Madison Square Garden.
- 159. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 160. Interviewer: So what would be your process in coordinating to go out to a concert with friends?
- 161. **Trevor**: it would be most of my close friends. So I would call and text them.
- 162. **Interviewer:** Which would you do first?
- 163. **Trevor**: I'd text first.
- 164. **Interviewer:** And then when would you call?
- 165. **Trevor**: like 2 or 3 days before the event to ask if they still wanted to go.
- 166. **Interviewer:** The texting what would you say in your text?
- 167. **Trevor**: trying to hit up this say Jay-Z concert. Are you down?
- 168. **Interviewer:** And how may people would you hit up?
- 169. **Trevor**: 4 friends.
- 170. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you try to plan for this?
- 171. Trevor: a week.
- 172. **Interviewer:** This is after you know that Jay-Z or whoever is playing at Madison Square Garden then you would plan in a week. So if you knew in a month in advance....
- 173. **Trevor**: if I knew or the exact moment I know...
- 174. **Interviewer:** The moment you know you would contact them?
- 175. Trevor: yeah.
- 176. **Interviewer:** So you would do all of your planning and coordination on what time to meet, how much it costs and everything else by text?
- 177. Trevor: yeah.
- 178. **Interviewer:** So what would you necessarily do? Would you consider yourself to be the organizer of this concert outing?
- 179. **Trevor**: if I'm the one who found out about it yeah.
- 180. **Interviewer:** So do you think you would tell them go to this site and get a ticket so it doesn't sell out or would you buy 4 tickets and they pay you back?
- 181. **Trevor**: I would go collect their money and then buy the tickets myself.
- 182. **Interviewer:** Would you wait to collect their money first then buy the tickets or would you buy them and then get reimbursed by them?
- 183. **Trevor**: I would collect the money first.
- 184. **Interviewer:** And all this by texting?
- 185. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 186. **Interviewer:** So you would use phone calling like the day before and day of?
- 187. **Trevor**: uh hm.

- 188. **Interviewer:** Would you bother using any type of facebook or twitter with that?
- 189. **Trevor**: I might facebook or twitter I'm going to this concert with my homies and friends. Other than that that's it.
- 190. **Interviewer:** Now if you did that on your feed, it would just be a broadcast what you're up to but it wouldn't be an open invitation?
- 191. **Trevor**: yeah for everybody else.
- 192. **Interviewer:** You'd expect people to understand this is just me saying I'm going?
- 193. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 194. **Interviewer:** Would you do the same thing on your twitter, mention you're going?
- 195. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 196. **Interviewer:** You want to do cooking?
- 197. **Trevor**: yeah
- 198. **Interviewer:** Do you actually do any form of cooking?
- 199. **Trevor**: hmmm, eggs.
- 200. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would in this terms of wanting to do cooking which I guess would be to learn a new cuisine or something. Would you teach yourself or would you seek out information?
- 201. Trevor: I would look at a cook book.
- 202. Interviewer: So you wouldn't necessarily try to coordinate with friends or go out and find a class or something?
- 203. **Trevor**: nah.
- 204. **Interviewer:** Just get a book and test it out?
- 205. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 206. **Interviewer:** Dining out. When was the last time you dinned out with friends?
- 207. Trevor: Sunday. Sunday night.
- 208. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were there?
- 209. **Trevor**: there was a lot of us because we just came from this track meet.
- 210. Interviewer: So it was all your track teammates?
- 211. **Trevor**: just the two that I talked to.
- 212. **Interviewer:** This was right after the track meet?
- 213. **Trevor**: no we came back to the rooms and got showered out.
- 214. Do you recall who's idea it was or was it just passed around as an idea that we're all going out to dinner?
- 215. **Trevor**: no we were all pretty hungry and the coach wasn't taking us out.
- 216. **Interviewer:** So it was kind of face to face to discuss...
- 217. **Trevor**: yeah. See who wants to go.
- 218. **Interviewer:** So there was no phone calling, texting or nothing?
- 219. **Trevor**: the phone calling was to see who's ready.
- 220. Interviewer: So there was no use of facebook or twitter?
- 221. Trevor: no.
- 222. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played football with friends/ **Trevor**: two weeks ago when the weather was really good outside.
- 223. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were there?
- 224. **Trevor**: 6.
- 225. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was to play football?
- 226. **Trevor**: yeah it was one of my friends. He was just tossing a football around.
- 227. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he plan for this outing for football?
- 228. **Trevor**: 10 seconds before he got the football. He was on the spot because there were people outside.
- 229. **Interviewer:** So this was decided the moment of face to face?
- 230. Trevor: yeah.
- 231. **Interviewer:** And all the other 6 of you were all in the vicinity?
- 232. **Trevor**: we were all around. We didn't have any classes.

- 233. **Interviewer:** You say here strangers, so were there other people who joined in later on?
- 234. **Trevor**: yeah other people joined in to play catch with us too.
- 235. **Interviewer:** You didn't know them they just hey can I jump in and play?
- 236. **Trevor**: right.
- 237. **Interviewer:** You say here you play golf with friends, have you ever played golf with friends? **Trevor**: yeah once.
- 238. **Interviewer:** The last instance you played golf with friends do you remember who's idea it was?
- 239. **Trevor**: actually we had summer practice with my high school team and we around Weakly park, and my coach new the person in charge of the golf. And he just said come right down if we wanted to learn how to play. So we all decide we were interested.
- 240. **Interviewer:** At that moment or this was planned in advance?
- 241. **Trevor**: he told us if we're interested. Later we talked about and said yeah we want to do it.
- 242. **Interviewer:** With your coach?
- 243. **Trevor**: with um..
- 244. **Interviewer:** That person, he introduced you to that....
- 245. **Trevor**: our coach introduced us to.....
- 246. **Interviewer:** The guy who runs it....
- 247. **Trevor**: yeah he talked to me and my friends to come on down whenever we're interested. Yeah we all just go.
- 248. **Interviewer:** So you and your friends could go there at that moment anytime and say he we're interested and he'd say hey yeah sure go ahead. So you wouldn't need to call in advance or anything or text or anything?
- 249. **Trevor**: no not to him.
- 250. **Interviewer:** Say with your friends, how did you and your friends kind of coordinate and decide about going to do golf?
- 251. **Trevor**: it was during the summer so there's nothing to do so the next morning we said lets just go.
- 252. **Interviewer:** Was it face to face or did you have to communicate using....
- 253. **Trevor**: it was later on at night. We probably called each other. We called each other.
- 254. **Interviewer:** And that was the day of or day before?
- 255. **Trevor**: it was 1 or 2 days after that we found out we could go anytime.
- 256. **Interviewer:** After what?
  - **Trevor**: after he said we could come by anytime.
- 257. **Interviewer:** What I mean is when you and your friends decided to go there, did you all decide among each other in advance?
- 258. **Trevor**: the night before.
- 259. **Interviewer:** By phone?
- 260. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 261. **Interviewer:** And then the day of you contacted each other to get together and go?
- 262. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 263. **Interviewer:** So you say you want to do with friends. In that case if you decide you want to go golfing. So last summer was it close by?
- 264. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 265. **Interviewer:** Where do you live?
  - **Trevor**: Hillside. That's about 15 minutes from here. They have this long trail that we usually run over practice. So it's really close to our houses.
- 266. **Interviewer:** So if you decided you wanted to do golfing, you would choose that location?
- 267. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 268. **Interviewer:** So what would be your process in getting friends together to go golfing?
- 269. **Trevor**: well since it's so close to where we live it's within walking distance. It's right across the street we just meet at Weakly park.
- 270. **Interviewer:** Are they friends that go here or friends from your hometown?
- 271. **Trevor**: friends from my hometown.
- 272. **Interviewer:** So would you call them or would you post on your facebook? Or would you twitter? Feeling like going golfing? Want to go golfing?
- 273. **Trevor**: I would put it on facebook.

- 274. **Interviewer:** On your feed or email people, contact people personally?
- 275. **Trevor**: I would put it on their own person board. I would contact them.
- 276. **Interviewer:** So you have a certain number of friends in mind?
- 277. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 278. **Interviewer:** And you would go on to their wall and post hey you want to go golf?
- 279. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 280. **Interviewer:** So say how many people would you want to....
- 281. **Trevor**: I would say about 5 in total.
- 282. **Interviewer:** So you would go to 5 people's different facebook pages and post that.
- 283. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 284. **Interviewer:** So on your own wall you would see the responses?
- 285. **Trevor**: they can put it on my wall or comment on their page.
- 286. **Interviewer:** How would you be notified that this person responded to your post?
- 287. **Trevor**: there's a notification here. On the page.
- 288. **Interviewer:** And because you check it so frequently you would eventually see and it and check it out?
- 289. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 290. **Interviewer:** And would you be looking to do this the day of plan it several days in advance or a week in advance? What time span would you say?
- 291. **Trevor**: no more than 3 days.
- 292. **Interviewer:** Greek, you're in a fraternity or want to be in a fraternity?
- 293. **Trevor**: yeah I'm interested in a fraternity.
- 294. **Interviewer:** So say in terms of you wanting to join a fraternity what would be your process in making it happen?
- 295. **Trevor**: I would talk to the people in the fraternity right now and see what the process was.
- 296. **Interviewer:** Is there a particular one in mind that you would want to join?
- 297. **Trevor**: yes, Phi Beta Sigma.
- 298. **Interviewer:** So you would walk through campus and if you saw someone in blue and white you would just ask?
- 299. **Trevor**: I did EOP during the summer and they were our RAs. And then I told them I was interested.
- 300. **Interviewer:** So you haven't gone through the pledging yet?
- 301. **Trevor**: no.
- 302. **Interviewer:** So you would just talk to them and they'd give you more information. Would you exchange personal information?
- 303. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 304. **Interviewer:** And they'd give that to you?
- 305. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 306. **Interviewer:** House party when was the last time you were at a house party?
- 307. **Trevor**: it was during the summer.
- 308. **Interviewer:** Last summer?
- 309. Trevor: yes.
- 310. **Interviewer:** Did you go by yourself or did you go with a group of friends?
- 311. **Trevor**: I just went with 2 friends.
- 312. **Interviewer:** Do you remember who's idea it was about going to this house party?
- 313. **Trevor**: it was the summer so there's nothing to do during the summer. We try to go to a party every weekend.
- 314. **Interviewer:** So these weekend parties. How far in advance do you guys plan to get together and go?
- 315. **Trevor**: it's whenever we know about it. It can be the day of or the week before.
- 316. Interviewer: So as soon as you find out. What's the primary means of communcation?
- 317. **Trevor**: cell phone.
- 318. **Interviewer:** Call or text, or does it vary?
- 319. **Trevor**: it varies.

- 320. **Interviewer:** Lets say it's something that, you 're contacted a week in advance. What would typically be the means of communication?
- 321. **Trevor**: it would be a text.
- 322. **Interviewer:** What if It's the day before?
- 323. **Trevor**: it would be a call.
- 324. **Interviewer:** And the day of?
- 325. **Trevor**: a call
- 326. **Interviewer:** Was there any use of facebook or twitter involved in you guys coordinating going to house parties?
- 327. **Trevor**: no.
- 328. **Interviewer:** You say with strangers meaning people who show up?
- 329. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 330. **Interviewer:** Were there times when you're group would have other people come with you. For example you meet with your friends, you see new faces, and then you go over. Or is it usually just your friends?

**Trevor**: it's usually us and we go over there.

- 331. **Interviewer:** Nightclub when was the last time you were at a nightclub?
- 332. **Trevor**: this Saturday.
- 333. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went?
- 334. **Trevor**: just two of us.
- 335. **Interviewer:** You and a friend?
- 336. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 337. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?

Trevor: it was my idea.

- 338. **Interviewer:** So you contacted your friend?
- 339. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 340. **Interviewer:** And what span of time did you give?
- 341. **Trevor**: 2 weeks.
- 342. **Interviewer:** Two weeks in advance?
- 343. **Trevor**: I told him 2 weeks.
- 344. **Interviewer:** Lets go out in 2 weeks?
- 345. Trevor: there was this huge party at Clove and Base Saturday and I told him, do you want to go? And he was like ok.
- 346. Interviewer: That was 2 weeks ago?
- 347. Trevor: yeah.
- 348. **Interviewer:** And how did you contact him?
- 349. **Trevor**: facebook actually.
- 350. **Interviewer:** This was a news feed?
- 351. **Trevor**: no on his wall.
- 352. Interviewer: Ok so on his wall you asked him and he got back to you on it?
- 353. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 354. **Interviewer:** So between that 2 week period of time was there any other further communication coordination or was it that one moment, and two weeks later you called or text the day before?
- 355. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 356. **Interviewer:** Was it the day before you guys contact each other about it, or was it within the course of 2 weeks?
- 357. **Trevor**: contact him about the party?
- 358. **Interviewer:** Yeah.
- 359. **Trevor**: I was on facebook and they, we saw fly date. They advertise the flyer and I saw it. Then I went on his wall and I told him. And he said ok. And the next time I talked to him about the party was day. Like the morning of.
- 360. **Interviewer:** And how did you two communicate?
- 361. **Trevor**: text.
- 362. **Interviewer:** Texting?
- 363. **Trevor**: yeah.

- 364. **Interviewer:** Was there any phone calling used at all?
- 365. **Trevor**: no.
- 366. **Interviewer:** Just texting?
- 367. **Trevor**: yeah just texting.
- 368. **Interviewer:** Any reason why because you mentioned before how you phone call the day before or day of but texting is like way...
- 369. **Trevor**: I just text him one time to be ready and in no time I'll pick him up. And he was ready the same time I picked him up. And I text him to come outside so we went so there was no need for me to call him.
- 370. **Interviewer:** Under what circumstance would phone calling be used? **Trevor**: if he took a long time to get ready and wasn't coming outside then I'd call him to hurry up.
- 371. **Interviewer:** So urgency. If it's an urgent situation, but if it's not so urgent....
- 372. **Trevor**: just text.
- 373. **Interviewer:** NSBE. When was the last NSBE event? It be a meeting or community service or an outing?
- 374. **Trevor**: we had an eboard election two weeks ago. Monday.
- 375. **Interviewer:** And was this something that was sort of voted with everyone being there to vote or there was a process like you could electronically make a vote and then there would be an email sent out?
- 376. **Trevor**: no we had to listen to the people presenting with their speeches and we would vote right there and then. We write whoever we want to on it.
- 377. **Interviewer:** So campaigning as well as decision making was made in one night?
- 378. **Trevor**: yes.
- 379. **Interviewer:** And how was that all communicated or coordinated?
- 380. **Trevor**: emails.
- 381. **Interviewer:** So it was like this is the day when they are going to get together and you just show up?
- 382. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 383. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went shopping with friends? **Trevor**: yesterday.
- 384. **Interviewer:** And whose idea was it to go shopping?
- 385. **Trevor**: it was my friend's.
- 386. **Interviewer:** And how did he communicate with you about going shopping?
- 387. **Trevor**: he texted me.
- 388. Interviewer: And did he text you sometime in advance or the day of?
- 389. **Trevor**: the day of.
- 390. **Interviewer:** And before you all actually went out to go shopping how much time elapsed? Like for the moment he text you to the moment you left to go how much time was that?
- 391. **Trevor**: 3 hours.
- 392. **Interviewer:** So it takes you 3 hours in advance vs. calling it wasn't too urgent? It was passive do you want to come?
- 393. Trevor: yeah.
- 394. **Interviewer:** Was he planning to go anyway?
- 395. **Trevor**: I didn't ask him. He said do you want to go.
- 396. **Interviewer:** This was purely through texting?
  - Trevor: yeah.
- 397. **Interviewer:** Did you put this on your twitter or facebook feed?
- 398. **Trevor**: I put on there I was going shopping with my homie.
- 399. **Interviewer:** On twitter?
- 400. **Trevor**: on twitter.
- 401. **Interviewer:** What about facebook?
- 402. **Trevor**: not on facebook.
- 403. Interviewer: What situations do you use or post your status information on twitter vs. facebook?
- 404. **Trevor**: facebook uh, status I would want a reply back.
- 405. **Interviewer:** For facebook?

- 406. **Trevor**: yeah facebook.
- 407. **Interviewer:** So if you want a reply back about something?
- 408. **Trevor**: yeah I would put it on facebook.
- 409. **Interviewer:** And what purposes would you want to use your twitter for?
- 410. **Trevor**: just to say exactly what I'm doing.
- 411. **Interviewer:** Can you reply on twitter?
- 412. Trevor: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** But you wouldn't expect responses on twitter?
- 413. **Trevor**: they can reply. But most likely it's not something to reply to it's just a general statement.
- 414. **Interviewer:** But facebook you'd expect and hope for a response back?
- 415. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 416. **Interviewer:** So you'd mostly use twitter if you want to broadcast out what you're doing at that time?
- 417. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 418. **Interviewer:** But if you want responses back you'd use facebook?
- 419. **Trevor**: yeah moreso than twitter.
- 420. **Interviewer:** When wss the last time you played soccer with friends?
- 421. **Trevor**: Sunday. Sunday night.
- 422. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was to play soccer?
- 423. **Trevor**: it was my friend's idea.
- 424. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he contact you about soccer?
- 425. **Trevor**: 2 days before.
- 426. **Interviewer:** And by what means of communication?

Trevor: face to face.

- 427. **Interviewer:** Between the time face to face when you talked about it up to the time you met together any other means of communication were used? **Trevor**: no.
- 428. **Interviewer:** So no facebook, twitter, phonecalling or texting?
- 429. **Trevor**: nothing like that.
- 430. **Interviewer:** This is kind of a routine place you guys go to play or was it a sort of new place?
- 431. **Trevor**: it was a routine place.
- 432. **Interviewer:** So you just know this time because you've done it before?
- 433. Trevor: yeah.
- 434. **Interviewer:** And strangers being people there who you do a pickup?
- 435. **Trevor**: yeah, play around...
- 436. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did weightlifting with friends?
- 437. **Trevor**: Monday.
- 438. **Interviewer:** At this gym?
- 439. Trevor: yeah.
- 440. **Interviewer:** And is this part of your training for track?
- 441. **Trevor**:yeah.
- 442. **Interviewer:** So you had a schedule?
- 443. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 444. **Interviewer:** And do you usually coordinate with your friends to go?
- 445. **Trevor**: no I usually just go with my roommate.
- 446. **Interviewer:** So face to face you guys will decide to go. So really no texting or phone calling or twitter used. Do you twitter this that you're at the gym weightlifting?
- 447. **Trevor**: depends if I want to or not. Most of the time no.
- 448. **Interviewer:** And are there times when you ever used your facebook relating to you working out?
- 449. **Trevor**: yeah, a couple times but not too much.
- 450. **Interviewer:** What would you usually say on there?

**Trevor**: going to the gym.

451. **Interviewer:** So it'd just be to broadcast I'm going to the gym but not expecting a reply or anything? **Trevor**: uh hm.

- 452. **Interviewer:** Any reason you'd do facebook rather than twitter for something like that?
- 453. **Trevor**: well I think facebook is more like people related. If you want to talk to more people then that's a way you would use facebook.
- 454. **Interviewer:** But you mentioned you would just state I'm weightlifting on facebook. No you mentioned you've done that before?
- 455. **Trevor**: yeah
- 456. **Interviewer:** You said weightlifting on facebook, but you wouldn't say it on twitter sometimes?
- 457. **Trevor**: it would be sometimes.
- 458. **Interviewer:** So it varies sometimes you use twitter if it's based on what you feel like.
- 459. **Trevor**: yeah
- 460. **Interviewer:** Studying, oh and here with weightlifting with strangers being people who are already there?
- 461. **Trevor**: yeah to spot.
- 462. **Interviewer:** Studying when was the last time you did studying?

Trevor: last night.

463. **Interviewer:** And it was with friends?

Trevor: no just myself.

- 464. **Interviewer:** Has there been times you've gone together with friends to study for class? **Trevor**: yeah.
- 465. **Interviewer:** And how has that been coordinated? It's been coordinated in advance or was it decided the moment of?
- 466. **Trevor**: it's been coordinated in advance.
- 467. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?

**Trevor**: a couple days before. Only when we know there's a big exam coming up and we decide on a time and a place.

- 468. **Interviewer:** Do you know who usually plans that?
- 469. **Trevor**: a friend.
- 470. Interviewer: And by what means does that friend contact?
- 471. **Trevor**: we go to the same class.
- 472. **Interviewer:** So face to face it's decided?
- 473. **Trevor**: uh hm.
- 474. **Interviewer:** So it's decided face to face in advance. During that period of time leading up to it is there any other means of communication used in coordinating or getting together?
- 475. **Trevor**: sometimes we see each other in class we say don't forget that we're studying at this time.
- 476. **Interviewer:** IN a particular instance when this has happened, how many times were you guys in class to remind each other about this study group?
- 477. **Trevor**: 4 times.
- 478. **Interviewer:** And when meeting together, you all just knew to meet here at this time. Did people ever run late?
- 479. **Trevor**: yeah.
- 480. **Interviewer:** And did they either contact somebody or somebody contact them?
- 481. **Trevor**: yeah the people there they would ask if they are still coming.
- 482. But would anyone call or text?
- 483. **Trevor**: they'd just text.

## Figure B.14 Interview with Subject 14.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Samuel**: I'm in my Masters so it's like my second semester.
- 3. **Interviewer:** So first year?
- 4. **Samuel**: first year. I've just got one more semester left.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Samuel**: electrical engineering.
- Interviewer: And are you currently working?
   Samuel: no.
- 8. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 9. **Samuel**: off campus.
- 10. **Interviewer:** And do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 11. **Samuel**: roommates.
- 12. **Interviewer:** And how many roommates?
- 13. **Samuel**: including me we're 8.
- 14. **Interviewer:** And do you use any social networking sites such as facebook, Orkut, MySpace?
- 15. Samuel: yeah. Facebook, Orkut, that's it.
- 16. **Interviewer:** And how often do you use your facebook?
- 17. **Samuel**: times and times on average.
- 18. **Interviewer:** Several or multiple times each day?
- 19. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 20. **Interviewer:** Would you say 7 to 8 times a day?
- 21. **Samuel**: more than that 10 times a day.
- 22. **Interviewer:** And each time that you're on there how much time are you on?
- 23. **Samuel**: 5 minutes, 4 minutes.
- 24. **Interviewer:** And Orkut how often are you on Orkut?
- 25. **Samuel**: not much maybe, just like once in a day.
- 26. **Interviewer:** Are there any mobile applications that you use on your phone?
- 27. Samuel: no.
- 28. **Interviewer:** So you use it for phone calling and texting?
- 29. **Samuel**: texting and phone calling.
- 30. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 31. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 32. **Interviewer:** What do you do with your free time?
- 33. **Samuel**: stay at home, watch movies, go out with friends, jog, go for jogging, play basketball.
- 34. **Interviewer:** And how often do you do these activites?
- Samuel: jogging is like almost everyday. 3 or 4 times in a week. Movie once in a week. And for studies.
- 36. **Interviewer:** Friends, hang out with friends?
- 37. **Samuel**: yeah hang out with friends.
- 38. **Interviewer:** Each day?
- 39. **Samuel**: not everyday, tries of 4 times a week. 3 or 4 times in a week.
- 40. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 41. Samuel: no.
- 42. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 43. Samuel: no.
- 44. **Interviewer:** SO you say you want to do ballroom dancing with friends?
- 45. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 46. **Interviewer:** So you've never done it before?
- 47. Samuel: no.
- 48. **Interviewer:** Lets say in a situation where you decided you wanted to go ballroom dancing and you had the time to do it. Can you describe to me the process you would go through in making that happen?
- 49. **Samuel**: well if I want to go with my friends I'll ask my friends to go with me.

- 50. **Interviewer:** So where would you decide to go, how would you make that decision?
- 51. **Samuel**: first I'll find out where this class is taking place. Somewhere in the locality.
- 52. **Interviewer:** So how would you do that?
- 53. **Samuel**: look for it in a newspaper or something.
- 54. **Interviewer:** So your first step would be go look in a newspaper or classifieds or something?
- 55. **Samuel**: something that has a local classified.
- 56. **Interviewer:** In paper form?
- 57. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 58. **Interviewer:** And what would you hope to find there?
- 59. **Samuel**: advertisement of a class starting soon. And hopefully, not necessary that they require partners.
- 60. **Interviewer:** If there was contact info mentioned there would you contact them and ask more questions. What kind of questions would you ask them?
- 61. **Samuel**: first do I need a partner to enroll in the class. How many days, what's the timing.
- 62. **Interviewer:** Now imagine that you were looking in this paper and you saw multiple ads for ballroom dancing. What factors would influence your decision on which studio to visit?
- 63. **Samuel**: location. The distance from my home.
- 64. **Interviewer:** And would that be the deal breaker?
- 65. **Samuel**: the time also.
- 66. **Interviewer:** So say you had a handful of 5. And the closest one didn't necessarily fit with your schedule. Like maybe out of the, say that the studio is open 3 or 4 days for classes but you can only go on 1 or at most 2 of those days?
- 67. **Samuel**: if it conflicts with my class I won't go.
- 68. **Interviewer:** So even if you're able to go just once or twice a week you would still not because it conflicts with your class?
- 69. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 70. **Interviewer:** Now what if you found one that fit your schedule but was further away?
- 71. **Samuel**: a little bit further is fine.
- 72. **Interviewer:** How much is a little bit, like a couple of miles?
- 73. **Samuel**: yeah a couple of miles.
- 74. **Interviewer:** Be less than 10 miles?
- 75. Samuel: yeah.
- 76. **Interviewer:** So what threshold would you say ok that's too far?
- 77. **Samuel**: if I have to take more than 2 buses.
- 78. **Interviewer:** So as long as you can get there on one bus?
- 79. **Samuel**: yeah. 1 or 2.
- 80. **Interviewer:** And you say you'd want to do this with friends. What would you do first would you contact your friends about their interest in going, or would you find the place first then contact your friends?
- 81. **Samuel**: I would find the place first.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Ok lets say you find a place then what would you do?
- 83. **Samuel**: then I would ask a few of my friends. First I would ask the class if it is required to bring a person. Or if I can just enroll by myself. If they say it's required then I'd ask my friends.
- 84. **Interviewer:** In your desire for choosing a studio. Even if it fits your schedule and it's close by which would you prefer one that didn't require a partner or one that you have to bring a partner?
- 85. **Samuel**: both of them.
- 86. **Interviewer:** Would it bother you that you have to bring a partner to this one?
- 87. **Samuel**: if it's difficulty in finding one.
- 88. **Interviewer:** So lets say if it required you to bring a partner and you couldn't get any of your friends to come because they just weren't available then what would you do?
- 89. **Samuel**: I would ask them if it's ok if I come alone. Can I practice with strangers?
- 90. **Interviewer:** You would go regardless if your friends came with you?
- 91. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 92. **Interviewer:** By what means would you communicate with your friends in your interest in ballroom and having them come with you?
- 93. **Samuel**: I'd give them a call.

- 94. **Interviewer:** Any other means you'd use?
- 95. **Samuel**: or maybe just meet them. Nothing else.
- 96. **Interviewer:** Now about you looking in a newspaper you would do that before say doing something like going on google or going on the internet...
- 97. **Samuel**: nah, just a newspaper.
- 98. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 99. **Samuel**: because if I'm online I'm busy doing something else. I wouldn't want to go especially online just to check a class that is close by.
- 100. **Interviewer:** So you feel you would be distracted if you used the internet to search for it?
- 101. **Samuel**: yeah I would prefer to do something else, watch a movie or something else.
- 102. **Interviewer:** Basketball, when was the last time you played basketball with friends?
- 103. Samuel: 2 or 3 days back.
- 104. Interviewer: And do you recall who's idea it was?
- 105. **Samuel**: it was everyone's idea. Lets go play ball. **Interviewer:** Was it decided the moment of?
- 106. Samuel: yeah.
- 107. Interviewer: And how did you all communicate among each other?
- 108. **Samuel**: we were together.
- 109. **Interviewer:** So face to face?
- 110. Samuel: yeah.
- 111. **Interviewer:** And you say here with strangers so does that mean that if you showed up to play basketball you would go and ask people about playing?
- 112. Samuel: yeah.
- 113. **Interviewer:** One more questions about ballroom dancing. When you were to ask your friends, would you ask them the moment of or well in advance?
- 114. **Samuel**: advance.
- 115. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?
- 116. **Samuel**: before I enroll for the class.
- 117. **Interviewer:** Would you decide on a date and try to get your friends to come on that date? For example lets say you contact them you know the information you know what days they are available and such. Would you choose a date and then try to get your friends to come with you on that date?
- 118. Samuel: yeah.
- 119. Interviewer: And how far in advance you think you would have choose?
- 120. **Samuel**: a week.
- 121. **Interviewer:** At most?
- 122. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 123. **Interviewer:** Biking, when was the last time you went biking?
- 124. **Samuel**: hmmm, maybe a month back.
- 125. **Interviewer:** Was it around the neighborhood or a trail?
- 126. **Samuel**: a month back we did a trail. But in this moment it was to roam around.
- 127. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did this with friends?
- 128. **Samuel**: a month ago.
- 129. **Interviewer:** And that was around your community?
- 130. Samuel: yeah.
- 131. **Interviewer:** And how did you coordinate that, like for example was that decided face to face the day of or was this planned in advance?
  - Samuel: a night in advance.
- 132. **Interviewer:** And how many people were involved?
  - Samuel: 4 or 5.
- 133. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was?
  - Samuel: a friend's idea.
- 134. **Interviewer:** And how were you communicated about this idea?
- 135. **Samuel**: face to face.

- 136. **Interviewer:** So face to face the day before it was decided?
- 137. **Samuel**: yeah. We were hanging out at someone's place.
- 138. **Interviewer:** All 5 of you?
- 139. **Samuel**: yeah. Actually there were more of us, but we 5 of us agreed.
- 140. **Interviewer:** So this was discussed among more than 5 people but only 5 showed up?
- 141. **Samuel**: not 5 showed up we 5 agreed.
- 142. **Interviewer:** So there was no need for using phone calling, texting, or the interenet or anything?
- 143. **Samuel**: no.
- 144. **Interviewer:** You just knew come here at this time?
- 145. **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 146. **Interviewer:** You mentioned you went on a trail, you went biking on a trail?
- 147. Samuel: yeah.
- 148. **Interviewer:** How long ago was that?
- 149. **Samuel**: we use to do community biking before the trip. The trail was a month back and before that we use to just ride bikes around randomly.
- 150. **Interviewer:** About the trial, was that planned in advance?
- 151. **Samuel**: yeah that was planned.
- 152. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was that?
- 153. **Samuel**: a week. Maybe like a weekend, so we discussed it about that week.
- 154. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to go on that trail biking trip?
- 155. **Samuel**: no.
- 156. **Interviewer:** Do you remember how you were involved? Did someone contact you and say hey were planning this trip to go biking?
- 157. Samuel: yeah.
- 158. **Interviewer:** How did they contact you?
  - Samuel: phone and text.
- 159. **Interviewer:** Which one did they do first?
- 160. **Samuel**: first one was a text asking if I'm free.
- 161. **Interviewer:** It was just, are you free?
- 162. **Samuel**: are you free, do you have plans for next weekend.
- 163. **Interviewer:** So they didn't say in their text we're thinking of going biking? **Samuel**: nah.
- 164. **Interviewer:** So they just ask are you free?
- 165. **Samuel**: yeah for next weekend, we're planning something.
- 166. **Interviewer:** And then what did you respond back?
- 167. Samuel: yeah I'm free.
- 168. **Interviewer:** Did you ask them what it was about?
- 169. **Samuel**: yeah, then I called them up. I was doing something else so I said yes and then I gave them a call after 2 hours or something.
- 170. **Interviewer:** So they text you are you free next week and can you do something?
- 171. Samuel: yeah.
- 172. **Interviewer:** And then you called them later.
- 173. Samuel: yeah.
- 174. **Interviewer:** Did they text you back in response to your response?
- 175. Samuel: nah.
- 176. **Interviewer:** So you called them two hours, and discuss the details of it?
- 177. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 178. **Interviewer:** And this was a friend of yours?
- 179. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 180. **Interviewer:** And did he at all mention how many people were planning to go?
- 181. **Samuel**: ah he said he asked everyone. So he was just waiting for everyone's reply.
- 182. **Interviewer:** You didn't know how many everyone was, just people you mutually know? **Samuel**: yeah.
- 183. Interviewer: So that was all done in one day?
- 184. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 185. **Interviewer:** Texting and then calling?

- 186. Samuel: yeah.
- 187. **Interviewer:** Now from that time up to the event was there any other means of communication used for coordinating?
- 188. Samuel: yeah.
- 189. **Interviewer:** What were there?
- 190. **Samuel**: I texted, after I came to know of the plan I sent other people a text whether they are coming or not.
- 191. **Interviewer:** To invite people or people he already knew?
- 192. **Samuel**: I knew people he asked, so I just confirm are they coming, are they not coming, do they have plans.
- 193. **Interviewer:** So would your friend who contact you, was he like the organizer who organized things?
- 194. Samuel: it was his idea you can say.
- 195. **Interviewer:** So was he the one organizing things like where to go and who's coming, who's not coming?
- 196. Samuel: it was everyone's choice. He was like we have this option and we can go there and there.
- 197. **Interviewer:** But everyone communicated among each other?
- 198. Samuel: yeah.
- 199. **Interviewer:** So if you needed to get information you didn't necessarily go to the friend who contacted you?
- 200. **Samuel**: no, everyone.
- 201. **Interviewer:** And other people contacted you about informaiotn too?
- 202. **Samuel**: we kept in touch with each other. About travel and time and everything.
- 203. **Interviewer:** This was through texting?
- 204. **Samuel**: yeah text and calls.
- 205. **Interviewer:** The reason I find it interested is a lot of people have stated that if they were invited by somebody they typically always contacted that person who's the organizer. You're is like the first group that's in a group....
- 206. **Samuel**: because we've known each other for 6 years now. So we've all been friends for 6 years.
- 207. **Interviewer:** Are a lot of the activities you all do sort of not necessarily require one person to be the head organizer it's kind of just a mob of people communicate?
- 208. **Samuel**: if it's a good idea everyone willl want to go.
- 209. **Interviewer:** Is there any challenges in that?
- 210. Samuel: yeah.
- 211. **Interviewer:** What challenges?
- 212. **Samuel**: to find everyone's availability. And the time.
- 213. **Interviewer:** So because you lack and organizer it's very difficult to coordinate day and time?
- 214. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 215. **Interviewer:** So does it frequently change a lot?
- 216. **Samuel**: it is but it never happens at that time. It's always busy.
- 217. **Interviewer:** Because people show up late?
- 218. **Samuel**: yeah people show up late, but it does happen.
- 219. **Interviewer:** So the biggest challenge is people committing or showing up?
- 220. Samuel: yeah.
- 221. **Interviewer:** Do you feel it would be remedied if there was an organizer among you 5 like one person who was sort of the main contact person who got the details and shared it with everyone?
- 222. **Samuel**: but then he would be sick of it sooner or later.
- 223. **Interviewer:** He would?
- 224. Samuel: yeah.
- 225. **Interviewer:** So this system works for you guys?
- 226. Samuel: yeah.
- 227. **Interviewer:** It's worked for a long time?
- 228. Samuel: uh hm.
- 229. **Interviewer:** So during the course of that week up to this biking trip. There was just phone calling and texting about it?
- 230. Interviewer: Samuel: yeah.

- 231. **Interviewer:** And were there a lot of exchanges in phone calling?
  - Samuel: no.
- 232. **Interviewer:** This day and this time?
- 233. **Samuel**: yeah
- 234. Interviewer: And people either showed up on time or showed up late and waited for them? Samuel: yeah.
- 235. **Interviewer:** No one left without everyone there?
- 236. **Samuel**: no. Because we knew beforehand who was going to come and who wasn't. So we had to wait.
- 237. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a concert?
- 238. **Samuel**: it was a long time back.
- 239. **Interviewer:** Do you remember that concert?
- 240. **Samuel**: hmmmm, yeah.
- 241. **Interviewer:** Do you remember how many of you went to the concert?
- 242. **Samuel**: 3 of us.
- 243. **Interviewer:** What kind of concert was it?
  - Samuel: a music concert.
- 244. **Interviewer:** What particular genre of music?
- 245. **Samuel**: pop music.
- 246. **Interviewer:** Was this in India?
- 247. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 248. **Interviewer:** Was this planned in advance going to this concert?
- 249. **Samuel**: no.
- 250. **Interviewer:** Decided of?
- 251. Samuel: yeah.
- 252. **Interviewer:** So this was sort of like in a bar or café?
- 253. **Samuel**: yeah café, Hard Rock.
- 254. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't a big huge stadium size thing. It was sort of like so and so is playing, we're going to check it out?
- 255. Samuel: yeah.
- 256. Interviewer: How was this decided or communicated. Was it face to face or phone calling?
- 257. Samuel: no it was through phone calls. Because it was like half and hour before the concert.
- 258. **Interviewer:** And your friend contacted you?
- 259. **Samuel**: yeah, my friend nearby. He heard about it in a newspaper.
- 260. **Interviewer:** What did you discuss. Did you discuss where to meet first then go over or did you meet at the place?
- 261. **Samuel**: no we met first because two of us had bikes.
- 262. **Interviewer:** Bicycles or motor bikes?
- 263. **Samuel**: motor bikes.
- 264. **Interviewer:** So the 3<sup>rd</sup> person did you know that third person?
- 265. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 266. **Interviewer:** But your friend is the one who contacted that person?
- 267. Samuel: no I knew all three of them. We studied together for 3 years. So one person told the two of us who had bikes.
- 268. **Interviewer:** That one person you two separately.
- 269. **Samuel**: yeah separately.
- 270. **Interviewer:** But you never communicated with that other person?
  - **Samuel**: no he was like ah, your friend's coming? He's coming are you joining us? But I was the first person he spoke to actually.
- 271. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did cooking with friends?
- 272. **Samuel**: almost everyday.
- 273. **Interviewer:** So is this coordinated like you have to call or text someone like lets meet in the kitchen and do some cooking?
- 274. **Samuel**: everyone's hungry lets cook.

- 275. **Interviewer:** Cricket, when was the last time you played cricket?
- 276. Samuel: two weeks back.
- 277. **Interviewer:** And how many people were there?
- 278. **Samuel**: lots of people were there.
- 279. **Interviewer:** Would you say 30?
- 280. **Samuel**: nah 281. **Interviewer:** 20?
- 201. Interviewer, 20
- 282. **Samuel**: nah 15.
- 283. **Interviewer:** Did you know all of them or just a few?
- 284. **Samuel**: not all personally.
- 285. **Interviewer:** Is this a routine thing like they would routinely meet for cricket at this location?
- 286. **Samuel**: no.
- 287. **Interviewer:** Was this in India or here?

Samuel: no here.

- 288. Interviewer: How did you find out about it?
- 289. **Samuel**: my friend told me about it.
- 290. Interviewer: So it wasn't your idea it was someone else's?
- 291. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 292. Interviewer: A friend told you about this invited you?
- 293. Samuel: yeah.
- 294. **Interviewer:** How did he contact you about it?
- 295. Samuel: uh, at night he sent me a text. And then I called him.
- 296. **Interviewer:** The day before?
- 297. Samuel: yeah.
- 298. **Interviewer:** Is there any circumstances in which you and your friends will use texting instead of calling and call instead of text?
- 299. **Samuel**: hmmm. We usually call if it's going to happen very soon. If it's for a movie or something, and if I want to ask if you're going to come for the movie I'm going to call you up. And texting is like if it's late in the night or you're not sure if the person is busy or away or sleeping.
- 300. **Interviewer:** So do you do that late at night because it's not urgent having to call them? Like you send a text?
- 301. **Samuel**: I don't want to disturb them primarily, and second it's not that urgent.
- 302. **Interviewer:** So this cricket your friend contacted you by phone? **Samuel**: plus he sent me a text. And then I spoke to him over the phone.
- 303. **Interviewer:** After you received a text?
- 304. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 305. **Interviewer:** In order to get more details?
- 306. **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 307. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance?
- 308. **Samuel**: the night before.
- 309. **Interviewer:** Hiking, when was the last time you went hiking with friends?
- 310. **Samuel**: a long time, 6 months back.
- 311. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went hiking?
- 312. **Samuel**: 12 of us.
- 313. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 314. **Samuel**: 3 to 4 days in advance.
- 315. **Interviewer:** And how did you find out about? **Samuel**: I spoke to someone regarding it.
- 316. **Interviewer:** How did you find out though? It came up in conversation?
- 317. **Samuel**: yeah we were like what are we going to do next week? And everybody's like we don't have cash so lets do something we don't have to spend too much.
- 318. **Interviewer:** So you went hiking?
- 319. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 320. **Interviewer:** Were these other people you knew very well, very close?

- 321. Samuel: yeah.
- 322. **Interviewer:** Did there appear to be one or a handful of people who served as organizers? If you needed information or they shared information with you or other people, these were the people who did it?
- 323. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 324. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't like the previous one that was like a mob?
- 325. Samuel: nah.
- 326. **Interviewer:** So you actually had organizers. What do you think made this particular instance of hiking with an organized group meaning that one person with the details of this is the day and so forth. Was there just one person?
- 327. **Samuel**: yeah just one.
- 328. **Interviewer:** Did that one person then have other people in the group who say if there was any information that needed to be shared, that person would tell them and then those people would tell other people?
- 329. **Samuel**: the one person would tell everyone.
- 330. **Interviewer:** How by text?
  - **Samuel**: by text and phone.
- 331. **Interviewer:** In the texting situation, do you know if that person would send one text to everyone? Just add them in to be sent?
- 332. **Samuel**: well not everyone can send text. Most of us he send text, so I guess he sent it to those.
- 333. **Interviewer:** So some people could receive text but others couldn't because it cost something?
- 334. **Samuel**: no, he'd call over the phone.
- 335. **Interviewer:** What conditions or situations did he speak on the phone with people? **Samuel**: I have no idea. I received a text and phone.
- 336. Interviewer: Were you contacted by that friend directly when there were changes and such made?
- 337. Samuel: yeah.
- 338. **Interviewer:** Jogging, when was the last time you went jogging with friends?
- 339. **Samuel**: every alternate day.
- 340. **Interviewer:** So every other day?
- 341. **Samuel**: yeah
- 342. **Interviewer:** And who's idea is it typically?
- 343. **Samuel**: mine.
- 344. **Interviewer:** And when do you contact them about it?
- 345. **Samuel**: when I'm sitting in class.
- 346. **Interviewer:** And how many people do you....
- 347. **Samuel**: 3.
- 348. **Interviewer:** Typically it's 3 or it varies?
- 349. **Samuel**: 3
- 350. **Interviewer:** 3 other people?
- 351. **Samuel**: 2 other people.
- 352. Interviewer: So total of three. And you decide this in class so you must be sending a text?
- 353. **Samuel**: yeah
- 354. **Interviewer:** And you do this the day before?
- 355. **Samuel**: no the day of.
- 356. **Interviewer:** So you usually jog in the evening?
- 357. **Samuel**: after 9.
- 358. **Interviewer:** In or around you neighborhood?
- 359. **Samuel**: around the neighborhood.
- 360. **Interviewer:** So around where you live in your neighborhood you jog and run with them. Do they live with you?
- 361. Samuel: yeah
- 362. **Interviewer:** So you text them early in the day about are you interested. And then you guys know to meet at the house and go?
- 363. **Samuel**: no. We discuss what time everyone is free and are we going today or are we going tomorrow?

- 364. **Interviewer:** So it doesn't always happen each or every other day?
- 365. **Samuel**: 3 times a week.
- 366. **Interviewer:** Anytime 3 times a week?
- 367. **Samuel**: 3 days a week.
- 368. **Interviewer:** So it can be 2 nights straight or it could be 1 night and 3 days pass and two nights, based on people's availability? **Samuel**: yeah.
- 369. **Interviewer:** And this is all determined through texting back and forth?
- 370. **Samuel**: yeah. Because I have classes 5 days a week so I've got to know.
- 371. **Interviewer:** Do you find any challenges involved in coordinating on the phone in doing that texting exchange?
- 372. Samuel: nah.
- 373. **Interviewer:** It's pretty easy, nothing, no challenges too much?
- 374. **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 375. **Interviewer:** Mountain biking riding you say you want to do with friends?
- 376. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 377. **Interviewer:** And you say here with strangers?
- 378. **Samuel**: yeah I don't mind.
- 379. **Interviewer:** So what situations would you?
- 380. **Samuel**: if there's a trail or organization.
- 381. **Interviewer:** Lets say you want to go mountain bike riding, what would be your process in making that happen?
- 382. **Samuel**: that would be the net.
- 383. **Interviewer:** Really? Different than ballroom dancing?
- 384. Samuel: yeah.
- 385. **Interviewer:** Why is that?
- 386. **Samuel**: because I know there's no mountain biking trails close by. Obviously there's nothing in my locality. So I have to look broader.
- 387. **Interviewer:** But you think there would be ballroom dancing because you can find it in newspapers whereas there's no bike trails in a newspaper.
- 388. Samuel: yeah.
- 389. **Interviewer:** And you wouldn't fear being distracted on the internet?
- 390. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 391. Interviewer: You would fear?
- 392. **Samuel**: for the ballroom?
- 393. Mountain biking ride?
- 394. **Samuel**: no if I'm really interested I'll just look for it.
- 395. **Interviewer:** So ballroom dancing is not so important to you so you'd be easily distracted on the web?
- 396. Samuel: uh hm.
- 397. **Interviewer:** What would you be looking for? Any trail or is there factors you would be looking for?
- 398. **Samuel**: a difficult one.
- 399. **Interviewer:** A good one?
  - Samuel: a good one.
- 400. **Interviewer:** One that has reviews?
- 401. **Samuel**: that has more challenges and is difficult to complete. Not for beginners.
- 402. **Interviewer:** If say there was such a trail that is difficult to complete and would be fun, but it was pretty far away compared to another trail that is closer by but isn't as challenging. Which one would you choose?
- 403. **Samuel**: the one that's far.
- 404. **Interviewer:** Because of the challenge?
- 405. Samuel: uh hm.
- 406. **Interviewer:** So lets say you did find such a place. What would you do then? You already have a bike right?

- 407. Samuel: yeah.
- 408. **Interviewer:** You would then try to proceed to try and invite friends?
- 409. **Samuel**: friends yes.
- 410. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate with your friends?
- 411. **Samuel**: first I would send them a text wait for their replies. Then if I don't get replies I'll give them a call
- 412. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance would you plan for this mountain biking trip?
- 413. **Samuel**: a week, or 2.
- 414. **Interviewer:** At most 2 weeks?
- 415. Samuel: yeah.
- 416. **Interviewer:** So you find a place, and then you would contact them. Would you contact them saying I'm going to go mountain bike riding do you want to come or would be are you available on this particular day and time?
- 417. **Samuel**: first it would be are you available. If you all can go it's fine. But then if they don't show up I don't mind going alone.
- 418. **Interviewer:** So if you're unable to get people to go then you'll go on your own and decide on your own day and time?
- 419. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 420. **Interviewer:** But if you can get people to go?
- 421. **Samuel**: I wouldn't mind shifting my dates.
- 422. Interviewer: Movie watching, when was the last time you went to see a movie with your friends?
- 423. **Samuel**: last week.
- 424. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were there watching?
- 425. **Samuel**: 9 or 10 of us.
- 426. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance was this planned?
  - Samuel: 2 days.
- 427. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was?
- 428. **Samuel**: I wanted to watch the movie.
- 429. **Interviewer:** Was this in a movie theater?
- 430. Samuel: yeah.
- 431. **Interviewer:** You wanted to watch it? **Samuel**: yeah.
- 432. **Interviewer:** So was it your idea, were you the one who contacted people lets go see a movie?
- 433. **Samuel**: yeah kind of.
- 434. **Interviewer:** You said 9 people went?
- 435. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 436. **Interviewer:** So say the idea starting with you how many people did you contact about lets go see a movie?
- 437. **Samuel**: well I was in class again, 6 to 9 class. I contacted 5 people.
- 438. **Interviewer:** Through text?
- 439. Samuel: yeah
- 440. **Interviewer:** One text, 5 people in the same?
- 441. **Samuel**: yeah the same.
- 442. **Interviewer:** So what did you first put in your text?
- 443. **Samuel**: are you guys up for watching Clash of the Titans.
- 444. **Interviewer:** That night or another night?
- 445. **Samuel**: they knew it was that night.
- 446. **Interviewer:** You texted them at 6 or 7, 6:30?
- 447. **Samuel**: 7
- 448. **Interviewer:** So you're looking to watch a late movie like 10:30 or 11?
- 449. Samuel: uh hm.
- 450. **Interviewer:** So you text them are you guys up for seeing a movie tonight. What kind of responses did you get back?
- 451. **Samuel**: yes, sure, maybe, lets all carry on.

- 452. **Interviewer:** So then what was your response back to some of these? **Samuel:** I told them if you guys are free call each other and decide.
- 453. **Interviewer:** Ok so you got the idea, you put it out there, and since there was an interest you encouraged them to make the plans?
- 454. Samuel: yeah.
- 455. **Interviewer:** Did you know if some of your friends were also in class or they were not?
- 456. **Samuel**: no most of them aren't.
- 457. **Interviewer:** But they know that you are?
- 458. Samuel: yeah.
- 459. **Interviewer:** So you making that request they would know to go see who else wants to go...
- 460. Samuel: yeah.
- 461. **Interviewer:** So by the time you're out of class you already contact one of them and find out how many people...
- 462. **Samuel**: want to go.
- 463. **Interviewer:** So there really is no main organizer everyone is kind of an organizer?
- 464. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 465. **Interviewer:** So any information shared is probably among mutual groups?
- 466. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 467. **Interviewer:** Within that group going?
- 468. **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 469. Interviewer: So you got out of class. Is there someone within your group who had several vehicles?
- 470. **Samuel**: yeah two of us.
- 471. **Interviewer:** So you had 2 vehicles at your dispolse, and you all jumped in?
- 472. Samuel: yeah.
- 473. **Interviewer:** SO when you got out you were texting that whole time in class about where to meet them? Like they got back to you and said this many people are coming?
- 474. **Samuel**: no we just got to know that we are going for the movie. I just know that I'm going for the movie. So they decide that based on if a majority of people are going for the movie. So I knew that a majority of us are going for the movie, or most of us are going for the movie. So that's what. I knew that we are going for the movie. We are only going for the movie if a majority of us are going for a movie.
- 475. **Interviewer:** So after you said you guys go work it out. What happened, were you responded to are did you have to contact someone to find out what 's going on?
- 476. **Samuel**: I didn't contact all 5 of them. I asked the main people who were going to drive what's going on.
- 477. Interviewer: And they said what? Yeah a bunch of us are going to go?
- 478. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 479. **Interviewer:** And they decided a time decided a place?
- 480. **Samuel**: right.
- 481. **Interviewer:** And they decided where you'd meet to go to be picked up?
- 482. Samuel: yeah.
- 483. **Interviewer:** So you got picked up you and you guys went straight there?
- 484. **Samuel**: yeah to the movie.
- 485. **Interviewer:** So this whole planning process is quite similar to the, I think it was the concert? The one that was a bit complicated because people kept changing.
- 486. **Samuel**: yeah that was. That was biking right?
- 487. **Interviewer:** Yeah ok the biking. So it was similar in nature to the biking one. Just kind of move along vs. the hiking one which was very organized.
- 488. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 489. **Interviewer:** So the movie watching was more like the biking?
- 490. **Samuel**:yeah
- 491. **Interviewer:** Comparing those two the hiking and the movie watching and the group dynamics involved in decision making and things like that. Why do you think hiking fell into that sort of situation of someone being the organizer and everyone following?
- 492. **Samuel**: basically because it was that person's interest. There were two of us who were really interested and we didn't have anything else to do.

- 493. **Interviewer:** Because they invested more time in it? Meaning that they spent more time communicating with the other people in the group and sending information and coordinating with other people in the group?
- 494. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 495. **Interviewer:** So you guys really felt that they were really into this thing....
- 496. **Samuel**: we're going there with some trail I don't know what that trail was called. We knew to go to the closest trail.
- 497. **Interviewer:** Now but with the movie watching you said there was about 8 or 9 people?
- 498. Samuel: yeah.
- 499. **Interviewer:** Which is almost the same amount as the people going hiking. Now why do you think that was different? The dynamics of that group?
- 500. **Samuel**: maybe because. I don't know. It was just a spontaneous thing. That wasn't planned earlier in advance.
- 501. **Interviewer:** But the hiking was planned in advance?
- 502. Samuel: yeah.
- 503. **Interviewer:** 2 weeks was it?
- 504. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 505. **Interviewer:** Ok so because the hiking was planned so far in advance....
- 506. **Samuel**: it was someone's plan.
- 507. **Interviewer:** Vs. movie watching and biking was the moment of?
- 508. **Samuel**: just go for tomorrow or something.
- 509. **Interviewer:** So finally skydiving you say you'd want to do?
- 510. **Samuel**: yeah
- 511. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to go skydiving what process would you go through to make that happen?
- 512. **Samuel**: I'd use the net.
- 513. **Interviewer:** You don't think you'd find it in a news ad or classified? **Samuel**: no.
- 514. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate to me on here how you would go on the internet and look up skydiving?
- 515. **Samuel**: I'd look for something in NJ.
- 516. **Interviewer:** Would there be any kind of qualifications like what things you would look for factors you would look for in choosing a place and spot?
- 517. Samuel: yeah.
- 518. **Interviewer:** What would that be?
- 519. **Samuel**: the location and the cost.
- 520. **Interviewer:** So if there was a place that was more expensive but closer vs. a place that was much much further but less expensive which would you choose?
- 521. **Samuel**: depends how much the rate differs.
- 522. **Interviewer:** And what would be the breaking point? For example how much difference in cash, pricing would make you want to go the further distance for a cheaper place?
- 523. **Samuel**: anything above like \$75.
- 524. **Interviewer:** So if it was a difference of \$75. Now in terms of distance what would be your threshold or limit for that is too far I would not want to go out that far?
- 525. **Samuel**: 30 or 40 miles.
- 526. **Interviewer:** And is there a point that you would say forget it I don't want to go?
- 527. **Samuel**: if it's too far.
- 528. **Interviewer:** Too far and too expensive? **Samuel**: yeah.
- 529. **Interviewer:** So if it's at least within 30 or 40 miles distance, and is cheaper than other places close by you'll go that distance?
- 530. Samuel: yeah I will.
- 531. **Interviewer:** But if it's beyond 40 miles, and even though it's less expensive but the difference is not more than \$75. You go to a closer place that's more expensive? **Samuel:** no that would be fine.

- 532. **Interviewer:** What would be fine?
- 533. **Samuel**: the other one.
- 534. **Interviewer:** The cheaper one?
  - **Samuel**: the cheaper one.
- 535. **Interviewer:** If it's over 40 miles?
- 536. Samuel: yeah.
- 537. **Interviewer:** So even if it's over 40 miles. Say 55 miles away. But it's cheaper. So say the difference being \$40 you'd still go way out there?
- 538. **Samuel**: if the other one is 40 and this is 55, we don't mind going extra 10 or 15 miles. It's ok.
- 539. Interviewer: So the more important thing to you would be price? Samuel: yeah price.
- 540. **Interviewer:** Alright lets say you find a place then how would you go about organizing with your friends going skydiving?
- 541. **Samuel**: that would be face to face.
- 542. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance would you bring this up to them? **Samuel**: a month in advance at least.
- 543. **Interviewer:** Now would you find a place first then contact and talk to them about it or would you talk about it or would you talk to them about then go search....
- 544. **Samuel**: I'd first search for the place.
- 545. **Interviewer:** And then you'd get together and try to discuss plans within a month?
- 546. **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 547. **Interviewer:** Now considering that it's a month. Do you see yourself as being the main organizer or do you think you'd kind of the same process with the biking and the movie watching is kind of just gets thrown in?
- 548. **Samuel**: no.
- 549. **Interviewer:** So it would be more like the hiking?
- 550. **Samuel**: yeah.
- 551. **Interviewer:** Where you'd probably serve as the organizer, the one leading it?
- 552. Samuel: yeah.
- 553. Interviewer: So what would be you main means of communication with your friends?
- 554. **Samuel**: call and text.
- 555. **Interviewer:** Do you think there would be a frequent calling and texting throughout that whole month?
- 556. Samuel: hmm. Not frequent but there would be quite a lot
- 557. **Interviewer:** Throughout say ever so many days within a week there will be several phone calls made vs. you talk about, weeks past, no one talks about, then suddenly people talk about it the week of.
- 558. **Samuel**: no.
- 559. **Interviewer:** So what do you feel would be some of the difficulties in the coordination process in that one month? Do you feel there would be any?
- 560. **Samuel**: yeah. First would be everyone again paying the cost. Because it's going to be expensive. And that's the only reason I guess. Because it's going to be on the weekend so most of the people are going to be free.
- 561. **Interviewer:** Alright so you're not too much concerned about people canceling or bailing out and stuff. It's more can people get the money and go?
- 562. Samuel: yeah.
- 563. **Interviewer:** Would you plan to collect money as early as possible and pay it in advance or would you just kind of hope that they all have the money when it's time to go?
- 564. **Samuel**: well if a few people, one week or two extra we'll wait for them. And wait for everyone to have the money in advance.
- 565. **Interviewer:** So even if it takes several months?
- 566. **Samuel**: no, several months no. It would have to be a month or month and a half.
- 567. **Interviewer:** Or otherwise you'd loose interested and say this isn't working? **Samuel**: uh hm.
- 568. **Interviewer:** So those who can't get the money together, would they just have the tough luck, maybe next time?

- 569. Samuel: nah. We'd try to work something out.
  570. Interviewer: So the others might try to pitch in?
  571. Samuel: yeah that could be a possibility.

## Figure B.15 Interview with Subject 15.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Kevin**: junior.
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Kevin**: computer engineer
- 5. **Interviewer:** And are you currently working?
- 6. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 7. **Interviewer:** And what is your current occupation?
- 8. **Kevin**: courier.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 10. **Kevin**: I commute.
- 11. **Interviewer:** And how far is your commute?
- 12. **Kevin**: from Elizabeth.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself, with roommates, or with family?
- 14. **Kevin**: with family.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites such as facebook, myspace?
- 16. Kevin: yes.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Which ones?
- 18. **Kevin**: facebook and myspace.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Any others?
  - **Kevin**: that's it.
- 20. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 21. **Kevin**: um, check it maybe once per day.
- 22. **Interviewer:** And how long are you on that one time per day on average?
- 23. **Kevin**: um. Only a couple of minutes.
- 24. **Interviewer:** And how about MySpace?
- 25. **Kevin**: um. I check that about once a week.
- 26. **Interviewer:** And how long are you on there at that time?
- 27. **Kevin**: um, couple minutes. Usually no more than 10 minutes.
- 28. **Interviewer:** And do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 29. **Kevin**: no.
- 30. Interviewer: Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school? Kevin: no.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in any social activities on or off campus? **Kevin**: off yes.
- 32. **Interviewer:** What are some of those?
  - Kevin: well I have a band that I play with. I play hockey during the week or on the weekend.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
  - Kevin: no.
- 34. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball with friends?
- 35. **Kevin**: about two weeks ago.
- 36. **Interviewer:** And how many people were involved?
- 37. **Kevin**: 10 including myself.
- 38. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who's idea it was to play basketball?
  - Kevin: uh, my friend Rafels actually.
- 39. **Interviewer:** So when did he tell you about his idea about lets play basketball?
- 40. **Kevin**: um Friday night. That was the Friday night when we played on Saturday.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Ok so the day before he contacted you?
- 42. Kevin: yeah.
- 43. **Interviewer:** And how did he contact you?
- 44. **Kevin**: by phone. He contacted me.
- 45. **Interviewer:** Did you know there was going to be 8 other people coming?
- 46. **Kevin**: no I didn't, I knew a couple of other guys were going to go but I didn't know any of them.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Is this a routine thing you guys do play basketball or it's not?

- 48. **Kevin**: no it's pretty random.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Since he was the one who called you up and it seemed to be his idea, would you say he was the one who was organizing that activity?
- 50. Kevin: yep.
- 51. **Interviewer:** So just only one phone call was made, and then the next day he just met....
- 52. **Kevin**: the next day he called me again and told me what time we were meeting up, and where.
- 53. **Interviewer:** And there was no other means of communication used?
- 54. **Kevin**: no just a phone.
- 55. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to a concert?
- 56. **Kevin**: um. A couple of months ago.
- 57. **Interviewer:** And do you recall who's idea it was to go to the concert?
- 58. **Kevin**: it was mine.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Were you playing or were you going there to...
- 60. **Kevin**: I was going to see.
- 61. **Interviewer:** So it was your idea it was a month ago. How many people went?
- 62. **Kevin**: ah, only me and my buddy James.
- 63. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did you plan to go to this concert?
- 64. **Kevin**: a few months.
- 65. **Interviewer:** And you contacted James about going?
- 66. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 67. **Interviewer:** That few months ago?
- 68. **Kevin**: yeah. Actually it was last year.
- 69. **Interviewer:** So how did you contact James initially about this concert?
- 70. **Kevin**: um. I texted him.
- 71. **Interviewer:** And how did you know about the concert?
- 72. **Kevin**: internet.
- 73. **Interviewer:** Do you mind if I ask what band it was?
- 74. **Kevin**: Metallica.
- 75. **Interviewer:** So you texted him....
- 76. **Kevin**: uh hm.
- 77. **Interviewer:** And from that time last year up to about the moment about going, did you all continually coordinate to go to this Metallica concert?
- 78. **Kevin**: yeah we did because um, he was working on getting the tickets so me and him would go back and forth on when we were going to meet up, go to the box office and get the money together and some what.
- 79. **Interviewer:** So it was a pretty expensive ticket?
- 80. **Kevin**: yeah. About \$80 yes.
- 81. **Interviewer:** What period of time last year?
  - Kevin: January.
- 82. **Interviewer:** So this was over a year of planning?
- 83. **Kevin**: yeah. Well no it wasn't over a year of planning. The was last January and we planned it in October.
- 84. **Interviewer:** What other means of communication. You used texting, was there anything else that you used?
- 85. **Kevin**: ah not with him no.
- 86. **Interviewer:** So just purely texting?
- 87. **Kevin**: yep.
- 88. **Interviewer:** All the planning was done through texting?
- 89. **Kevin**: uh hm.
- 90. **Interviewer:** Was it sort of used evenly across those three months? For example maybe each week an average of 5 text messages were sent talking about coordinating this?
- 91. **Kevin**: yeah. It was pretty even.
- 92. **Interviewer:** So there wasn't like you text maybe within that week or that day planning for Metallica and then 3 months later you start talking about it again?
- 93. **Kevin**: nah it was just pretty even.

- 94. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why? What were the issues or concerns you guys discussed talking through text?
- 95. **Kevin**: well concerns were tickets selling out. Transportation how we were going to get here. You know parking so on and so forth. It's not cheap to park at the Prudential Center where the concert was.
- 96. **Interviewer:** So it was in Newark?
- 97. **Kevin**: yeah it was right here at Prudential Center.
- 98. **Interviewer:** So from Elizabeth though?
- 99. Kevin: yeah.
- 100. **Interviewer:** And taking a car from Elizabeth?
- 101. **Kevin**: yeah we drove from my house in Elizabeth yeah.
- 102. **Interviewer:** Ok so lets go back to the moment you contact James and say hey, Metallica concert.
- 103. Kevin: uh hm.
- 104. **Interviewer:** So what did you first say to him when you texted him?
- 105. **Kevin**: I just asked him if he wanted to go because it was doing a show playing around here that we can make it to. So I figured why not take advantage of it. I texted him saying if he wanted to go or not?
- 106. Interviewer: After you knew there were tickets available online? Kevin: yeah.
- 107. **Interviewer:** And he responded how, what did he say?
- 108. **Kevin**: he responded to me yeah, so then we started planning it.
- 109. **Interviewer:** So all that happened in that one day?
- 110. **Kevin**: uh hm.
- 111. **Interviewer:** So following his response what was the next coordinated? You decided we're both going to go now what were you discussing coordinating later?
- 112. **Kevin**: I told him that I would look when tickets go on sale and find out how much they were going to be and so on and so forth, and get back to him later in the week.
- 113. **Interviewer:** So the tickets weren't selling yet?
- 114. **Kevin**: no they weren't.
- 115. **Interviewer:** So you just knew Metallica would be here and you knew eventually they'd be on sale?
- 116. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 117. **Interviewer:** So the first thing discussed after you confirmed you were really interested was finding out the price?
- 118. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 119. **Interviewer:** And so was that discussed that same day?
- 120. **Kevin**: it was the next day.
- 121. **Interviewer:** So you sent him a text saying I'll check out the price and get back to you?
- 122. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 123. **Interviewer:** Did he do anything on his part in the coordinating?
- 124. **Kevin**: um, not really.
- 125. **Interviewer:** So it was mostly you?
- 126. **Kevin**: yeah mostly me.
- 127. **Interviewer:** So you texted him the next day. So how many days would you say passed before you texted him again about coordinating with this activity?
- 128. **Kevin**: the next day, I remember the next day I texted him about ticket prices and when they were on sale and stuff like that. It was probably a week before they went on sale that I told him about all that. I hung out with him that weekend, and we didn't talk about that really. Then the day before the tickets went on sale I texted him again because we already, we figured out what price range we were going to spend. So I texted him again and we met up that night and he gave me the money and I bought the tickets.
- 129. **Interviewer:** Online?
- 130. **Kevin**: online.
- 131. **Interviewer:** So you mentioned a week. So about a week before. Now how long from the time you contacted him and he said he was interested and the next day you said you'd check out the price of tickets. How many days elapsed before tickets sales were going to happen?
- 132. **Kevin**: about a week.

- 133. **Interviewer:** So a week later?
- 134. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 135. Interviewer: So you contacted him a week before tickets sales?
  - Kevin: uh hm.
- 136. **Interviewer:** To give him an exact price?
- 137. **Kevin**: uh hm.
- 138. **Interviewer:** And then you said you met together. You bought the tickets the moment they were available for sale?
- 139. **Kevin**: that day. Not the exact moment.
- 140. **Interviewer:** So some time during that day?
- 141. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 142. **Interviewer:** So it wasn't like you were in front of your computer just ticking down the time.
- 143. **Kevin**: nah I wasn't.
- 144. **Interviewer:** So after you bought the tickets then what was the next thing to coordinate?
- 145. **Kevin**: the next thing to coordinate was who was driving. If we were even driving. If we were going to take the train or you know, all that. We discussed that we'd rather drive because it would probably be easier so we drove in and how we would split paying for parking. All that stuff.
- 146. **Interviewer:** How long after you bought tickets did you send him a text about how are we going to get there?
- 147. **Kevin**: not too long, probably a couple of days or a week later. Something like that.
- 148. **Interviewer:** Can you tell me an idea of what you typed in that text to him?
- 149. **Kevin**: I would have said to him do you want to drive or do you want to take the train? That's what I would have texted him and then me and him would then discuss what we think would be the better idea.
- 150. **Interviewer:** The pros and cons?
- 151. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 152. **Interviewer:** This is all purely done through texting?
  - **Kevin**: yeah pretty much. Because we were both at work when we were doing that. I know we shouldn't do that but we were both at work so we kind of couldn't be on the phone.
- 153. **Interviewer:** So that's the reason you were using text?
- 154. **Kevin**: yeah. Otherwise I would have just called him and met up with him.
- 155. **Interviewer:** Alright so knowing that you're both at work texting was the best way to communicate?
- 156. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 157. **Interviewer:** So how many text messages would you say were exchanged in just that process of discussing car or train?
- 158. **Kevin**: probably about 10.
- 159. **Interviewer:** Did you feel there were any complications or difficulties in this coordination process towards deciding car or train?
- 160. **Kevin**: well yeah because texting isn't the easiest way to communicate with people. It's kind of convenient but you know you've got to sit there and you know. Type it up on this little screen and stuff like that and it gets to be a pain.
- 161. **Interviewer:** So you wish there was an easier way to do that?
- 162. Kevin:uh hm.
- 163. **Interviewer:** Like maybe you can speak the message and then send it?
- 164. **Kevin**: yeah something like that. That would be a lot easier.
- 165. **Interviewer:** So after 10 exchanges of text messages all done within one day?
- 166. Kevin: yeah.
- 167. **Interviewer:** You decided what, car?
- 168. **Kevin**: car, yeah.
- 169. **Interviewer:** After deciding, now within those 10 messages was it decided we will take a car or you decided who's car would be taken?
- 170. **Kevin**: hmmm.
- 171. **Interviewer:** You already knew who's car so you had transportation.
- 172. **Kevin**: where we're meeting up and so forth.
- 173. **Interviewer:** Is nipped in the bud?
- 174. Kevin: yeah.

- 175. **Interviewer:** That was a week after you bought the ticket? **Kevin**: yeah.
- 176. **Interviewer:** The next piece of coordination discussed was then what?
- 177. **Kevin**: was then where do we meet up. What time do we meet up. Because we really didn't have any interest in seeing the bands that were opening. So we figured we don't have to get there right on time we can take our time see if we want to eat before hand, you know all that.
- 178. **Interviewer:** So how long after the discussion of take the car did you have a discussion about when to meet up?
- 179. **Kevin**: probably the next day.
- 180. **Interviewer:** Next day and through texting at work?
- 181. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 182. **Interviewer:** So how did you start the conversation, what was your first text message leading up to it?
- 183. **Kevin**: well first I asked him who's car we're going to take.
- 184. **Interviewer:** Wait that was already discussed.
- 185. **Kevin**: well, oh yeah that's right.
- 186. **Interviewer:** The one about the what time should we meet?
- 187. **Kevin**: yeah I asked him do you want to meet up at my house or your house? And we decided my house since I live closer. So side at my house, met up, and then we decided to meet up around 7:30 or 8pm.
- 188. **Interviewer:** You were discussing to do that the day of?
- 189. Kevin: yeah.
- 190. **Interviewer:** How many text messages would you say were exchanged at that time?
- 191. **Kevin**: hmm, only a couple probably about the same as discussing who's car to take.
- 192. **Interviewer:** So close to 10?
- 193. Kevin: yeah.
- 194. **Interviewer:** What were some of the issues or concerns discussed with that?
- 195. **Kevin**: um, who's car. What times he got off of work. You know would it probably be easier for him to meet up at my house we hop in his car and go. So stuff like that.
- 196. **Interviewer:** So about 10 messages just discussing taking a car and who's car?
- 197. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 198. **Interviewer:** And then a separate 10 text messages exchanged the next day about where we're going to meet up?
- 199. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 200. **Interviewer:** And it was discussed to meet at your place?
- 201. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 202. **Interviewer:** After that, so so far you've got bought your tickets, decide your transportation, decided where to meet. What was the next piece of coordination?
- 203. **Kevin**: the last piece was how we were going to pay for parking. We decided we were going to split it down the middle and that was really it leading up to the concert itself.
- 204. **Interviewer:** Was that discuss the next day or day after the discussion of where to meet?
- 205. **Kevin**: it might have been done the same day. Possibly the same day.
- 206. **Interviewer:** At least within the week?
- 207. **Kevin**: yeah it's within the week.
- 208. **Interviewer:** So it sounds like within the course of about 3 weeks you guys fully coordinated what you were going to do?
- 209. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 210. **Interviewer:** So all that time that elapsed essentially was just any texting or calling or whatever was hey what's up, what's going on?
- 211. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 212. **Interviewer:** Now were there any other people that any of you two tried to invite?
- 213. **Kevin**: no not really because we knew everybody else would say oh yeah sure I'll go and then when we ask them where's the money oh I can't go.
- 214. Interviewer: So you already knew that they'd want to go but they wouldn't have the resources?
- 215. **Kevin**: or they'd just back out at the last minute.
- 216. **Interviewer:** And this is from previous experience of people who have done so?

- 217. **Kevin**: yeah. So we thought why even bother.
- 218. **Interviewer:** The day of or the day before, was there any communication used as the day approached?
- 219. **Kevin**: yeah like the day before just to go over to make sure we knew what we were doing.
- 220. **Interviewer:** Was this also through texting?
- 221. **Kevin**: no this was actually through phone calls.
- 222. **Interviewer:** And this was while you were at work or outside of work?
- 223. **Kevin**: no outside.
- 224. **Interviewer:** So it was just to confirm where are you at, are you coming, how far are you. That kind of thing?
- 225. **Kevin**: uh hm.
- 226. **Interviewer:** And then the day of, about the same? Phone calls used before you all finally met together and went over?
- 227. **Kevin**: yeah I just um, the day of I just texted him asking what time he got out of work what time he though it be over. And that was it that was one text and he answered and that was it.
- 228. **Interviewer:** So really nothing too complicated about that?
- 229. **Kevin**: no nothing too complicated about that one.
- 230. **Interviewer:** because it was already further discussed?
- 231. **Kevin**: yeah. We took care of that.
- 232. **Interviewer:** You said with strangers so that being lots of strangers there?
- 233. **Kevin**: people I was sitting around at the concert. People sitting around in the concert, you know what I mean? You know, kind of talk with everyone around you everybody's kind of cool with each other so.
- 234. **Interviewer:** Pass the time along?
- 235. Kevin: yeah.
- 236. **Interviewer:** Now you were talking about a possible time to miss all those bands that come before them?
- 237. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 238. **Interviewer:** So did you actually try to work out getting there when you thought Metallica would start playing or were you there from the beginning?
  - **Kevin**: um we tried to work out getting there not right before they played but a little bit before. Like a half hour or so.
- 239. **Interviewer:** After Metallica started playing?
- 240. **Kevin**: no before they played. Before they started playing. We actually got there mid way through the last band before them. We got through mid way through that band set. And we had to wait for them to set up so it wasn't that bad it gave us time to get out seats and everything.
- 241. **Interviewer:** Gaming, when was the last time you did gaming?
- 242. **Kevin**: the other day.
- 243. **Interviewer:** And this is online game or cards, what kind of gaming?
- 244. **Kevin**: I was playing Xbox, I was online.
- 245. **Interviewer:** Were you playing with friends or with strangers online?
- 246. **Kevin**: um, this particular time I didn't know anybody else was online. I was playing just random people whoever was willing to play.
- 247. **Interviewer:** And this wasn't anything you planned you just were playing Xbox and kicking back and playing?
- 248. Kevin: yeah, I just did it.
- 249. **Interviewer:** And with strangers being the people you played online?
- 250. Kevin: yeah.
- 251. **Interviewer:** Music, what kind of music? In a band right?
- 252. **Kevin**:yeah.
- 253. **Interviewer:** That's what you mean by music here?
- 254. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 255. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were together with some friends playing music?
- 256. **Kevin**: Sunday.

- 257. **Interviewer:** How many of you were there?
- 258. **Kevin**: 5 including myself.
- 259. **Interviewer:** Your band?
- 260. Kevin: yeah.
- 261. **Interviewer:** Is this a routine thing for you guys to get together on Sundays?
- 262. Kevin: yeah.
- 263. **Interviewer:** Is there any means or use of technology to communicate coordinating to meet on Sundays or do you know to automatically know to show up at this time?
- 264. **Kevin**: now we automatically know to show up. But before when we were coordinating it we did some facebook messaging and some texting.
- 265. **Interviewer:** With the 5 of you, who was the one who kind of started with the coordinating?
- 266. **Kevin**: that would be the drummer.
- 267. **Interviewer:** And how were you contacted about lets start meeting on Sundays?
- 268. **Kevin**: he actually left me a post on facebook asking if I was still interested in playing in a band.
- 269. **Interviewer:** Can you show me on facebook here how exactly where you saw it?
- 270. **Interviewer:** Alright so you logged in and then, show me how you read or saw the information from him?
- 271. **Kevin**: it showed up with a notification.
- 272. **Interviewer:** The globe?
- 273. **Kevin**: yeah the globe. And a notification I click on it and it brought to this page. To your profile page.
- 274. **Interviewer:** To your drummer?
- 275. Kevin: yeah.
- 276. **Interviewer:** And what did it say?
- 277. **Kevin**: he asked me if I was still interested in playing in a band.
- 278. **Interviewer:** And then you responded on the wall?
- 279. **Kevin**:I responded like that.
- 280. **Interviewer:** And you said what, sure?
- 281. Kevin: yeah.
- 282. **Interviewer:** So how did he respond back to you? Through here or another means?
- 283. **Kevin**: it was another comment down here on the same post.
- 284. **Interviewer:** And because you check daily you see this stuff anyway?
- 285. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 286. **Interviewer:** So you don't need an email confirmation that you got a message?
- 287. Kevin: yeah.
- 288. **Interviewer:** So he contacted you through facebook. You mentioned email as well? **Kevin:** no. Just facebook and some texting.
- 289. **Interviewer:** Do you know if this was done with other people in the band?
- 290. **Kevin**: no. He spoke to me and his friends with the vocalist. And the vocalist put out a craigslist ad out for a bassist. And they knew a guitarist. So as far as technology goes it was really just the facebook and then a text message you know how they send out that mass text message. The vocalist sent us all a text message asking if we'd be able to meet up at this time, at this place, on this day.
- 291. **Interviewer:** Do you feel there were any challenges or complications to that whole coordination process?
- 292. **Kevin**: not really, it was pretty simple.
- 293. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went traveling?
- 294. **Kevin**: last month.
- 295. **Interviewer:** And where did you go?
- 296. **Kevin**: Rochester, NY.
- 297. **Interviewer:** You went with friends?
- 298. **Kevin**: ah I went with my girlfriend.
- 299. Interviewer: Who's idea was it?
- 300. **Kevin**: it was her idea. Because a friend of ours goes to school at Rochester Institute of Technology. We went up to visit her for her birthday.
- 301. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did she plan?

- 302. **Kevin**: about a month in advance.
- 303. **Interviewer:** And how did she communicate with you about the idea?
- 304. **Kevin**: ah face to face.
- 305. **Interviewer:** So a month in advance. Was there any other means of communication used to coordinate going up to Rochester?
- 306. **Kevin**: probably just the day of reminding me to wake up earlier.
- 307. **Interviewer:** So it didn't require a whole lot of planning like get some food, reserve a hotel?
- 308. **Kevin**: no it didn't. It's just drive up, crash at her place.
- 309. **Interviewer:** How long did you stay there?
- 310. Kevin: the weekend. The whole weekend. We left on a Friday and we came back on Monday.
- 311. **Interviewer:** So a month earlier she talked to you face to face about going.
- 312. Kevin: yeah.
- 313. **Interviewer:** And then the day of she contacts you?
- 314. **Kevin**: yeah she sent me a text message making sure I was awake. I have a habit of oversleeping.
- 315. **Interviewer:** Was there any means of communication used throughout that month. Like maybe she called or text you the day before?
- 316. **Kevin**: no I see her pretty much everyday.
- 317. **Interviewer:** So it's kind of almost a reminder each time?
- 318. **Kevin**: actually our friend texted us asking us if we were still coming the day before so she could have stuff ready for us.
- 319. **Interviewer:** You say you want to play football with friends?
- 320. Kevin: yeah.
- 321. **Interviewer:** So say you want to play football what process would you go through to make that happen?
- 322. **Kevin**: I'd probably start by calling people I think would be interested. Like my buddy Refal again, James, a few other people we know. I'd start by calling them and asking if they knew anybody else if they'd want to play. That's why I checked down strangers too. Just anybody who wants to play lets just have a football game. Basically spam that to everybody.
- 323. **Interviewer:** Spam how?
- 324. **Kevin**: like text message, call. You know.
- 325. **Interviewer:** Would you use facebook at all or myspace?
- 326. **Kevin**: um probably depending on who I got involved with it.
- 327. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan for this?
- 328. **Kevin**: either the weekend or during the week before.
- 329. **Interviewer:** So about a week ahead of time?
- 330. **Kevin**: I wouldn't say quite a week. If I got an idea on Sunday hey lets next Saturday play football, that would be the earliest in advance.
- 331. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't necessarily do it the day of or day before? Just a week in advance?
- 332. Kevin: yeah.
- 333. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why you'd want to do it a week in advance?
- 334. **Kevin**: well make sure people don't have work.
- 335. **Interviewer:** So throughout that week what means of communication would you use to continue coordinating it?
- 336. **Kevin**: between facebook and texting and calling.
- 337. **Interviewer:** With facebook would you just post to people's walls or would you send a general email through facebook to a bunch of people or would you create an event?
- 338. **Kevin**: I'd probably just send a general email through facebook.
- 339. **Interviewer:** So you would add the people who you think would be interested, send a message, and it would be like a thread?
  - Kevin:yeah.
- 340. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went surfing with friends?
- 341. **Kevin**: last summer.
- 342. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were there?
- 343. **Kevin**: 2, including myself.
- 344. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it?

- 345. **Kevin**: mine.
- 346. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did you plan for this surfing trip?
- 347. **Kevin**: that day.
- 348. **Interviewer:** This was at Jersey shore?
- 349. **Kevin**: yeah.
- 350. **Interviewer:** How did you contact your friend?
- 351. **Kevin**: I gave him a call that morning. I asked if he wanted to go and he just got up and went.
- 352. **Interviewer:** So within that phone call it was decided where you would pick him up and you just went?
- 353. Kevin: yeah.
- 354. **Interviewer:** Did you know about this place already for going surfing?
- 355. **Kevin**: yeah, I go there pretty often.

## Figure B.16 Interview with Subject 16.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Xavier**: second semester.
- 3. **Interviewer:** Graduate student?
- 4. **Xavier**: graduate student.
- 5. **Interviewer:** So first year graduate student?
- 6. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 7. **Interviewer:** What's your major?
- 8. **Xavier**: computer science.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 10. Xavier: no.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 12. **Xavier**: I commute.
- 13. **Interviewer:** How long is your commute?
- 14. **Xavier**: half an hour.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself with roommates or family?
- 16. **Xavier**: roommates.
- 17. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 18. **Xavier**: 6.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites like facebook Orkut?
- 20. **Xavier**: yeah, facebook Orkut.
- 21. **Interviewer:** Any others?
- 22. **Xavier**: some yeah, hotmail messenger.
- 23. **Interviewer:** So you use chatting applications?
- 24. **Xavier**: yeah chatting applications.
- 25. **Interviewer:** How often are you on facebook?
- 26. **Xavier**: everyday.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Just once a day?
- 28. **Xavier**: no it's almost like everyday. I'm online all the time.
- 29. **Interviewer:** 5 to 6 times a day?
- 30. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 31. **Interviewer:** And on avereage how long are you on facebook?
- 32. **Xavier**: 20 minutes to half an hour.
- 33. Interviewer: And how about Orkut?
- 34. **Xavier**: Orkut, I think I just reduced it.
- 35. **Interviewer:** How often are you on there?
- 36. **Xavier**: once or twice a day. But I use the application on Google gmail, gtalk.
- 37. **Interviewer:** How often do you use gtalk?
- 38. **Xavier**: when I'm online all the time. Whenever I'm online.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications like applications on your phone?
- 40. **Xavier**: no
- 41. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time in school?
- 42. **Xavier**: yeah maybe.
- 43. **Interviewer:** And what do you do with your free time?
- 44. **Xavier**: facebook, Orkut, study.
- 45. **Interviewer:** On your spare time?
- 46. **Xavier**: facebook orkut.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in any social activities on campus?
- 48. **Xavier**: not in my studies. Back in India I use use.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Do you do your favorite activites on campus?
- 50. **Xavier**: favorite activities I don't think so.
- 51. **Interviewer:** So do you play badminton?
- 52. **Xavier**: not regularly but I play.
- 53. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played badminton with friends?

- 54. **Xavier**: a year ago.
- 55. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were playing or involved?
- 56. **Xavier**: like 4 or 5.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Do you know who's idea it was to play badminton?
- 58. **Xavier**: everyone. We say the bat (racquet) and we started playing.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Was this here at NJIT?
- 60. **Xavier**: no this was back in India.
- 61. **Interviewer:** Back in India when you got together, how did you start playing badminton?
- 62. **Xavier**: in the night time we didn't have anything to do. There was nothing to do and we saw the racquet.
- 63. **Interviewer:** So no planning involved or anything?
- 64. **Xavier**: no, no planning.
- 65. **Interviewer:** It was just here it is lets go and play?
- 66. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 67. **Interviewer:** Cars...
- 68. **Xavier**: cars I drive back in India.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Was it just driving around?
  - **Xavier**: just commuting.
- 70. **Interviewer:** Did you ever have to pick people up?
- 71. **Xavier**: I use to drop people, they use to go in my car.
- 72. **Interviewer:** From work?
- 73. **Xavier**: from college.
- 74. **Interviewer:** So when they needed a ride in college, how did they communicate with you I need a ride?
- 75. **Xavier**: they just call or just tell me.
- 76. **Interviewer:** Cricket, do you play cricket?
- 77. **Xavier**: yeah I have.
- 78. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played cricket with friends?
- 79. **Xavier**: a week back.
- 80. **Interviewer:** How many of you were there?
- 81. **Xavier**: 6 to 7.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to go play cricket?
- 83. **Xavier**: we had always start playing.
- 84. **Interviewer:** Is it a regular routine?
- 85. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 86. **Interviewer:** What days do they play?
- 87. **Xavier**: Sundays.

**Interviewer:** So when they decide to play on Sundays is there any coordination?

- 88. **Xavier**: yeah they call.
- 89. **Interviewer:** What actually means of communication are used?
  - Xavier: phone.
- 90. **Interviewer:** Is there anything else like facebook?
- 91. **Xavier**: if anyone's online then send a message.
- 92. **Interviewer:** When you say send a message as in they send a message to everyone?
- 93. **Xavier**: like a round table something like that. If anyone's online to pass it on to other friends.
- 94. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance will they usually try to do this?
- 95. **Xavier**: just 2 days flat.
- 96. **Interviewer:** So 2 days in advance they either facebook chat?
- 97. **Xavier**: oh no we meet personally. So we just decide.
- 98. **Interviewer:** You mean face to face?
- 99. **Xavier**: yeah like in the college.
- 100. **Interviewer:** 2 days because you have classes together?
- 101. **Xavier**: yeah we have classes.
- 102. Interviewer: So you mean, face to face to say are you going to play cricket on Sunday?

- 103. Xavier: yeah.
- 104. **Interviewer:** But is there any technology or any other means of communication you guys do...
- 105. **Xavier**: phone.
- 106. **Interviewer:** So the first one being face to face.
- 107. Xavier: yeah.
- 108. **Interviewer:** Now what's second to face to face, what's the other means?
- 109. **Xavier**: other than face to face? Phone.
- 110. **Interviewer:** You mentioned facebook, that they use facebook to do it?
- 111. **Xavier**: yeah mostly gtalk.
- 112. **Interviewer:** So which is used more often gtalk or facebook?
- 113. **Xavier**: gtalk.
- 114. **Interviewer:** So mostly gtalk than on the phone?
- 115. Xavier: yeah.
- 116. **Interviewer:** When do they use the phone?
- 117. **Xavier**: when like no one's online. And if there are not many people, well like if there are many people they ask everyone to come. But when we try to communicate through facebook or gtalk or something like that, they do come.
- 118. **Interviewer:** So who contacts you?
- 119. **Xavier**: one of my friends.
- 120. **Interviewer:** One of the 6 people you go with to play cricket?
- 121. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 122. **Interviewer:** So among the 6 of you is there ever one person who's the organizer of you guys all going together?
- 123. **Xavier**: yeah there are one or two people who mainly organize.
- 124. **Interviewer:** So what do they do? They first contact to see if they know any other...
- 125. **Xavier**: they first see if they have the ground available. Then they see if the bat and ball are available.
- 126. **Interviewer:** Where do they play over here?
- 127. **Xavier**: no in Harrison.
- 128. **Interviewer:** So they try to coordinate getting you and other people together two days before cricket play?
- 129. Xavier: yeah
- 130. **Interviewer:** And they'll first you chat. See if they can talk through chat?
- 131. **Xavier**: online yeah. Rather than calling they use chat among the three.
- 132. **Interviewer:** So when do they use phone calling?
- 133. **Xavier**: when we cannot contact through.
- 134. **Interviewer:** So then if they're not online they call on the phone?
- 135. **Xavier**: yeah, on the phone.
- 136. **Interviewer:** Is there any other means of communication they use?
- 137. **Xavier**: other than that?
- 138. Interviewer: Yeah.
- 139. **Xavier**: no.
- 140. **Interviewer:** So no facebook or...
- 141. **Xavier**: no. No facebook, orkut or phone.
- 142. **Interviewer:** For chatting for....
- 143. **Xavier**: no no I just use facebook and orkut for chatting.
- 144. **Interviewer:** Do they chat with you about the cricket match on facebook?
- 145. **Xavier**: and Orkut yes.
- 146. **Interviewer:** Dancing when was the last time you went dancing?
- 147. **Xavier**: back in India. A year back.
- 148. **Interviewer:** You did this with friends or by yourself?
- 149. **Xavier**: it was an individual competition.
- 150. **Interviewer:** And how did you find out about it?
- 151. **Xavier**: it was a college fest.
- 152. **Interviewer:** So how was it advertised or how did you find out?

- 153. **Xavier**: I was one of the organizers.
- 154. **Interviewer:** So how far in advance did you all organize this dance off or dance thing?
- 155. **Xavier**: right. I knew it was going to be dancing operation is always there. So I had it in my mind a long time back.
- 156. **Interviewer:** Like how long?
- 157. **Xavier**: the preparations?
- 158. Interviewer: Yeah.
- 159. **Xavier**: the preparations would be like it was in February or something. January because we have exams finishing on the first week of January. So after we finish the exams we start.
- 160. **Interviewer:** So what part of Januarary did you...
- 161. **Xavier**: just after exams.
- 162. **Interviewer:** Which was what date? What date was that?
- 163. **Xavier**: first day after the first week.
- 164. **Interviewer:** So around this January?
- 165. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 166. **Interviewer:** Ok lets talk about the festival. You started helping to organize a festival around January 7<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>?
- 167. **Xavier**: ah yeah just after exams.
- 168. **Interviewer:** It was going to happen in February?
- 169. **Xavier**: mid February.
- 170. **Interviewer:** How many of you were involved in putting together this committee?
- 171. **Xavier**: there were a lot of volunteers but the core committee consisted of 8 to 9 people.
- 172. **Interviewer:** Among the core committee, was there one particular person who was the head?
- 173. **Xavier**: the chairman and there were these members of the core members.
- 174. **Interviewer:** Which one were you?
- 175. **Xavier**: I was one of the core members.
- 176. **Interviewer:** So how did the chairman communicate with all of you in beginning this planning process for this festival?
- 177. **Xavier**: mostly he would be in the college all the time from morning 8 to 5 in the evening so most of the communication was done with him. And any other communication was done by phone.
- 178. **Interviewer:** So it would be face to face.
- 179. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 180. **Interviewer:** And if unable to then it was by phone? **Xavier**: uh hm.
- 181. **Interviewer:** Did the chairman call each one of you?
- 182. **Xavier**: depending on the situation because there was like division like a publicity group, sponsorship group, technical group, technical staff and other small organizations.
- 183. **Interviewer:** This is among 8 people?
- 184. **Xavier**: yeah the 8 people. One of them use to be in the head and there were many volunteers.
- 185. **Interviewer:** If information needed to be spread around, your organizer would then talk to you all directly?
- 186. **Xavier**: yes first they would talk to me, and then they would delegate the work to the volunteers.
- 187. Interviewer: And the volunteers and you would go and put the word out about the festival right?
- 188. **Xavier**: yeah
- 189. **Interviewer:** So if there was any information that needed to get to the chairman, who would talk to the chairman about it?
- 190. Xavier: if anyone. If I had something to tell him I would go to him.
- 191. **Interviewer:** Directly to the chairman?
- 192. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 193. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't go to someone else who would eventually go to the chairman?
- 194. **Xavier**: yeah. Directly to the chairman because it was more like a position nothing more than that. He was one of my friends.
- 195. **Interviewer:** It sounds like about a month was planned into this festival.
- 196. **Xavier**: yeah a month.
- 197. **Interviewer:** So was there discussion about coordinating this throughout that month like maybe several meetings a week?

- 198. **Xavier**: yeah meetings use to be at the end of the day everyday.
- 199. **Interviewer:** Every single day you guys would meet together.
- 200. **Xavier**: yeah almost everyday.
- 201. **Interviewer:** And discuss the details.
- 202. **Xavier**: yeah the process. How the process is going on.
- 203. **Interviewer:** Did you see any challenges in that whole coordination process?
- 204. **Xavier**: um, we didn't have major challenges more like the sponsorship group. They had quite a challenge because to get in sponsors that was a very challenging job.
- 205. **Interviewer:** Why was it such a challenge?
- 206. **Xavier**: it wasn't easy to convince the sponsors about the festival. They had to really convince how the festival was going on. And back in India, it's very difficult to convince people.
- 207. **Interviewer:** Convince them how, to show up?
- 208. **Xavier**: not to show up, sponsorship. Put in money.
- 209. **Interviewer:** So it was difficult to convince them, but was there any difficulty in the coordination process as in your group coordinating this festival?
- 210. **Xavier**: no there wasn't much.
- 211. **Interviewer:** So face to face, meetings everyday and in emergency situations phone calling....
- 212. **Xavier**: we had a teacher or professor use to be the overall head of the festival. He use to manage and we would follow.
- 213. **Interviewer:** So there was no use of Orkut used in helping for coordination?
- 214. **Xavier**: Orkut? No not much. We use to use Orkut but like not much.
- 215. **Interviewer:** So face to face, phone call, and meeting everyday.
- 216. Xavier: yeah.
- 217. **Interviewer:** Dining out, when was the last time you went dining out with friends?
- 218. Xavier: 2 weeks ago.
- 219. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were involved?
- 220. **Xavier**: 4 to 5.
- 221. Interviewer: Do you remember who's idea it was to go out for dinner?
- 222. Xavier: I think it was one of my friend's.
- 223. **Interviewer:** Was she the one who organized it?
- 224. **Xavier**: no. One person was his roommate, so he organized it for him. So he told everyone lets have, because it was his plan to go dining out.
- 225. **Interviewer:** So a friend of the person having a birthday had the plan of dining out?
- 226. **Xavier**: yeah. So he just started telling us to form a meeting. We use to be online everytime.
- 227. **Interviewer:** So how did he communicate it? By phone call?
- 228. **Xavier**: phone call we don't use much phone
- 229. **Interviewer:** So by chat?
- 230. Xavier: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** By chat he said you want to come to this dinner?
- 231. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 232. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he plan for this dinner?
- 233. **Xavier**: 4 or 5 days in advance.
- 234. **Interviewer:** So 4 to 5 days in advance this was planned?
- 235. Xavier: yeah
- 236. **Interviewer:** And the only means of communication was through chat?
- 237. **Xavier**: not the only communication. We use to meet in college through classes.
- 238. **Interviewer:** So face to face?
- 239. **Xavier**: face to face he use to always be there.
- 240. **Interviewer:** How did he contact you? Face to face or through chat?
- 241. **Xavier**: through chat the first time. When I heard it the first time it was through chat. And then the next day we had class, so we discussed it in the class.
- 242. **Interviewer:** So was this done everyday or was this done...
- 243. **Xavier**: the first couple of days it was done. And then I'd say there was 4 or 5 days in advance. In between we didn't have much of talking about it, and just before his birthday.
- 244. Interviewer: So the day before and the day of what means of communication was used?

- 245. **Xavier**: um. I think it was face to face. We have a class almost everyday. So we had a class that day itself.
- 246. **Interviewer:** Face to face, chatting was used as well?
- 247. **Xavier**: yeah chatting was practically used everyday.
- 248. **Interviewer:** When was chatting used though?
- 249. **Xavier**: it's practically used everytime because one of our friends has this HTC so he's always online.
- 250. **Interviewer:** For example, would it be used if you didn't' already meet face to face about talking about things? For example, the first means of communication was face to face....
- 251. **Xavier**: regarding the plan.
- 252. **Interviewer:** Talking face to face?
- 253. **Xavier**: no chatting.
- 254. **Interviewer:** So gtalk is sort of the first means of communication?
- 255. **Xavier**: the first time yeah. We communicated that way.
- 256. **Interviewer:** So when is face to face used? Is that when you're in school?
- 257. **Xavier**: yeah when we're in school.
- 258. **Interviewer:** Which was done more in coordinating this? Chatting or face to face?
- 259. **Xavier**: hmmm, it could be evenly. Chatting it like. I think chatting you can discuss more face to face.
- 260. **Interviewer:** The chatting was it one to one? Meaning you only chatted with only one person or did you chat with multiple people about it?
- 261. **Xavier**: no just one to one. It's basically one to one.
- 262. **Interviewer:** Driving.
- 263. **Xavier**: it's the same things with cars, for back in India.
- 264. **Interviewer:** Gymanstics.
- 265. Xavier: gym.
- 266. **Interviewer:** Like acrobatics?
- 267. Xavier: no workout.
- 268. **Interviewer:** Ok so gym, you go by yourself?
- 269. **Xavier**: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** Have you ever tried to bring friends with you?
- 270. **Xavier**: no.
- 271. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 272. **Xavier**: no reason. I just give them the idea if they want to come with me like do you want to go to the gym. Moreso the guys are lazy don't feel like going.
- 273. **Interviewer:** This one here or one in India?
- 274. **Xavier**: in India.
- 275. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the gym?
- 276. **Xavier**: it was next to my house.
- 277. Interviewer: So you just wandered around and ran up on it?
- 278. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 279. Interviewer: So your first time there did you bring friends or did you choose to go by yourself?
- 280. **Xavier**: actually one of my friends use to go back like 4 or 5 years back. He's more of a regular guy so he does actually gave me like, he advise me to go to that gym. It's the same branch, but he advised me to go to that gym.
- 281. **Interviewer:** You say here kungfu/wushu you would like to do?
- 282. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 283. Interviewer: So lets say you were to do it, tell me what you would do to make that happen?
- 284. **Xavier**: right now?
- 285. Interviewer: As in if you decide you wanted to do kung fu/wushu.

- 286. **Xavier**: back in childhood I use to be a lot more flexible. I use to go to Tae Kwon Do like we have on campus we use to have Tae Kwon Do thing going on. So I use to be very good in that but after that I just lost touch from that. So I would like to do kung fu/karate.
- 287. **Interviewer:** Lets say if you decided to do it now, what would you do in order to make it happen?
- 288. Xavier: I'd just, I will.
- 289. **Interviewer:** What I mean is right now what would be your process to make it happen?
- 290. **Xavier**: first of all I would search through google where it is available.
- 291. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate to me how you would do that on google?
- 292. **Interviewer:** Alright so you would do a google search with the location of Harrison NJ putting in kung fu class. What kind of things would you look for? What I mean is you'll get a whole bunch of schools to choose from, but you're probably eventually going to choose one.
- 293. **Xavier**: first of all I would see which is the nearest. So it would be like 3 nearest to me. For example xyz are the three schools near me. Then I would personally go to each one of them and see which has the best facilities.
- 294. **Interviewer:** Starting with the closest one?
- 295. **Xavier**: starting with the closest one and then the budgeting. Which is cheapest.
- 296. **Interviewer:** So first you would find, you'd see which ones and how far they are from where you live. Then you would visit the closest ones and then you would visit the other ones.
- 297. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 298. **Interviewer:** And then your next decision would be based on how much it costs?
- 299. **Xavier**: cost and facilities.
- 300. **Interviewer:** So if it has really good facilities and it costs more you would be interested in it?
- 301. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 302. **Interviewer:** What if there was another facility that didn't look as great, but it cost less. Which one would you choose?
- 303. **Xavier**: x and y, they don't look good. They don't look like a shady place and they look cheap. That how I chose my gym back in India. It was a little bit expensive but it was one of the best. So I just went there.
- 304. **Interviewer:** So for you a good facility, you're willing to pay more money and you'll choose that based on the fact that it's close?
- 305. Xavier: yeah.
- 306. **Interviewer:** Kickboxing....
- 307. **Xavier**: same as kung fu.
- 308. **Interviewer:** So you'd go on google, you would search for kickboxing?
- 309. **Xavier**: yeah
- 310. **Interviewer:** And you would then eliminate closest ones, good facilities, price as long as it seems affordable you would go for that?
- 311. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 312. **Interviewer:** Is there any other way you do it other than using google or is google pretty much the only thing you would use?
- 313. **Xavier**: as of here I would use google because I don't know others out here.
- 314. **Interviewer:** Movie watching, when was the last time you went movie watching?
- 315. **Xavier**: at home.
- 316. **Interviewer:** By yourself, with friends right?
- 317. **Xavier**: yeah with friends or sometimes alone actually.
- 318. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to see this movie?
- 319. **Xavier**: um, maybe one of us.
- 320. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 321. **Xavier**: 3 or 4. They're all roommates.
- 322. **Interviewer:** How was this decided?
- 323. **Xavier**: it was spontaneous.
- 324. **Interviewer:** So there was no planning in advance?
- 325. **Xavier**: there was no planning.
- 326. **Interviewer:** Face to face?

- 327. **Xavier**: yes face to face.
- 328. **Interviewer:** Swimming, when was the last time you went swimming?
- 329. Xavier: same back in India.
- 330. **Interviewer:** And you would go by yourself?
- 331. **Xavier**: yeah by myself.
- 332. **Interviewer:** Would you ever invite friends?
- 333. **Xavier**: actually I did invite friends. Initially when I started I use to go on by myself for 1 or 2 years and then I started to invite my friends.
- 334. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you would go swimming by yourself without bringing friends along with you?
- 335. **Xavier**: sometimes you like, need to like work out. Just like gym, you need to concentrate.
- 336. **Interviewer:** So you feel you would have been distracted?
- 337. **Xavier**: yeah distracted. When friends come you'll be distracted you cannot concentrate.
- 338. **Interviewer:** So you go swimming with the idea of swimming laps?
- 339. **Xavier**: yes swimming laps.
- 340. **Interviewer:** For exercise?
- 341. **Xavier**: yeah
- 342. **Interviewer:** Not just for the splash of the water and I'm in a pool?
- 343. Xavier: nah.
- 344. **Interviewer:** How did you first discover this swimming pool in India?
- 345. **Xavier**: it was back in school the old days I discovered it.
- 346. **Interviewer:** You just walked around?
  - **Xavier**: my sister discovered it she use to go for classes.
- 347. **Interviewer:** So you got to learn how to swim and now that you've been doing it for a while you would invite friends. How would you invite your friends? Would it be face to face or phone?
- 348. Xavier: I invited them. We didn't have much of gtalk, facebook wasn't even there.
- 349. **Interviewer:** So how was it?
- 350. **Xavier**: face to face.
- 351. Interviewer: And how far in advance?
- 352. **Xavier**: hmm, we are in school we are in the same building and apartment.
- 353. Interviewer: So would you say I'm going to go swimming later today do you want to come?
- 354. **Xavier**: yeah tomorrow morning we're going to come. It would be the day before.
- 355. **Interviewer:** And I take it that you're too young to have a car?
- 356. Xavier: yeah.
- 357. **Interviewer:** So one of your parents would have to come....
- 358. **Xavier**: no I would just go back by public transport.
- 359. **Interviewer:** So when you talk with a friend and your friend would come along with you, how would you discuss where to meet? Face to face?
- 360. **Xavier**: face to face.
- 361. **Interviewer:** And so if they said yes and you said meet me here at this time, and then you'd go meet there and go?
- 362. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 363. **Interviewer:** Tae Kwon Do you say you would like to do this?
- 364. **Xavier**: yeah the same as kung fu.
- 365. **Interviewer:** Tennis?
- 366. **Xavier**: the same with looking for a club.
- 367. **Interviewer:** So you would look for a nearby place that teaches?
- 368. **Xavier**: teaches.
- 369. **Interviewer:** Would you ever think to go to a tennis court randomly and start playing, or trying to learn?
- 370. **Xavier**: the tennis courts where I live are restricted.
- 371. **Interviewer:** Lets say you didn't live in such a place where it's an open court?
- 372. **Xavier**: then I would just go there on Saturday.

- 373. **Interviewer:** So you would go and just start to play with random strangers?
- 374. **Xavier**: yeah. Not exactly with strangers but with someone I know.
- 375. **Interviewer:** So you would try to bring a friend along?
- 376. **Xavier**: yeah a friend.
- 377. Interviewer: So how far in advance would you try to contact or coordinate with your friend?
- 378. **Xavier**: if there's some holiday or long weekend going on, it would be 1 or 2 days in advance.
- 379. **Interviewer:** And how would you contact them?
- 380. **Xavier**: through phone, gtalk, facebook.
- 381. **Interviewer:** Which order would it be?
- 382. **Xavier**: first though gtalk.
- 383. **Interviewer:** So initially through gtalk?
- 384. Xavier: yeah.
- 385. **Interviewer:** And if they went online for what period of time before you would switch to a different means of communication?
- 386. **Xavier**: hmmm, maybe. One day I would wait, the next day I would still try with gtalk. If it's too early in the next day I would try to call him.
- 387. **Interviewer:** So call may be the day before or day of?
- 388. **Xavier**: yeah the day.
- 389. **Interviewer:** Any other means?
- 390. Xavier: nah.
- 391. **Interviewer:** So just gtalk and phone call?
- 392. Xavier: yeah.
- 393. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at temple?
- 394. **Xavier**: temple? A month back.
- 395. **Interviewer:** And you went by yourself?
- 396. **Xavier**: no. It was with one of my roommates.
- 397. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 398. Xavier: it was his idea.
- 399. **Interviewer:** Is it something you do regularly?
- 400. **Xavier**: in India I use to do.
- 401. **Interviewer:** How about here?
- 402. **Xavier**: I didn't knew there was a temple.
- 403. **Interviewer:** Until recently. So this friend you go with your roommate. How does he communicate with you about going to temple?
- 404. **Xavier**: face to face.
- 405. **Interviewer:** Day of? Day before?
- 406. **Xavier**: it's instantaneous. Something like Saturday we have a break, and he says lets go.
- 407. **Interviewer:** Church? You also go to church?
- 408. **Xavier**: back in India we use to go.
- 409. **Interviewer:** Same as temple or Christian?
- 410. **Xavier**: Christian but many people do go there, not Christian.
- 411. **Interviewer:** So you would visit?
- 412. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 413. **Interviewer:** You have a friend who is Christian?
- 414. Xavier: no. That place in India Bombay, Mombai. Many non Christians also go there.
- 415. **Interviewer:** So you would go there?
- 416. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 417. **Interviewer:** Like regularly? Every week?
- 418. **Xavier**: not everyweek but....
- 419. **Interviewer:** From time to time?
- 420. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 421. **Interviewer:** Would you go with friends or just by yourself?
- 422. **Xavier**: by myself, it was near my college.

- 423. **Interviewer:** You play soccer with friends?
- 424. Xavier: yeah.
- 425. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played soccer with friends?
- 426. **Xavier**: maybe a month back.
- 427. **Interviewer:** And do you remember who's idea it was?
- 428. **Xavier**: one of my bros sleeping. My roommate comes lets go lets go, one of my friends says.
- 429. **Interviewer:** This was at the moment?
- 430. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 431. **Interviewer:** So there was just two of you?
- 432. **Xavier**: no not to of us. Other friends started playing so they just contact my friend thorugh phone and he told me lets go.
- 433. **Interviewer:** Weightlifting.
  - **Xavier**: I do weight training but I do but not heavy weights.
- 434. **Interviewer:** Not like a sport type thing?
- 435. Xavier: yeah.
- 436. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to learn how to or get involved in that what would be your process?
- 437. **Xavier**: basically through the gym, can I do it.
- 438. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't go on google and search out weight lifting or training?
- 439. Xavier: nah.
- 440. **Interviewer:** So what would make doing weightlifting or learning weight lifting be different form kickboxing and kung fu?
- 441. **Xavier**: nothing much.
- 442. **Interviewer:** But with kungfu and kickboxing you said you would google it...
- 443. **Xavier**: weight training I am not that interested in.
- 444. **Interviewer:** It's because you already know a place you can just go whereas these two you don't and you'd go looking for?
- 445. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 446. **Interviewer:** Racing, you would want to do racing?
- 447. Xavier: yeah.
- 448. **Interviewer:** So like go karting?
- 449. **Xavier**: yeah go karts.
- 450. **Interviewer:** What would be your process in trying to do racing?
- 451. **Xavier**: I know a place in India where there is go karting. So I would organize a group of friends and go.
- 452. **Interviewer:** How would you organizer your group of friends?
- 453. **Xavier**: see if they're online through gtalk. And if they're not online, then I'll try to phone call or something like that.
- 454. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan for this?
- 455. **Xavier**: maybe 2 or 3 days in advance.
- 456. **Interviewer:** So you would try gtalk for the first 2 days?
- 457. **Xavier**: first 2 days.
- 458. **Interviewer:** And either the day before or day of you would call?
- 459. **Xavier**: call, yeah.
- 460. **Interviewer:** Now if they couldn't go would you still go?
- 461. **Xavier**: hmmm. If I'm really interested then I'd go.
- 462. **Interviewer:** So you would go?
- 463. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 464. **Interviewer:** If you were really interested and you wanted to do it?
- 465. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 466. **Interviewer:** So say if you're coordinating with your friends, would you have already found and decided upon a place and asked them if they'd like to tag along, or would you ask them first if they are interested in then make plans to go?
- 467. **Xavier**: hmmm. Maybe see if they're interested.
- 468. **Interviewer:** First?

- 469. Xavier: yeah.
- 470. **Interviewer:** And then make plans?
- 471. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 472. **Interviewer:** Now lets say back to the kickboxing and kungfu. After you found a place would you then invite friends to come along?
- 473. **Xavier**: no.
- 474. **Interviewer:** You'd just go by yourself?
- 475. **Xavier**: go by myself.
- 476. **Interviewer:** And if you went there a while and learned a lot would you then invite friends?
- 477. **Xavier**: yeah then maybe then.
- 478. **Interviewer:** Why do you think you would invite friends after you...
- 479. **Xavier**: nah I wouldn't invite I'd just tell them if you want to join it's a good thing.
- 480. **Interviewer:** So in other words to decide, you'd recommend to your friends if they're interested or it came up in conversation because you know firsthand?
- 481. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 482. **Interviewer:** You want to learn golf?
- 483. Xavier: yeah
- 484. **Interviewer:** So what process would you go through to learn golf?
- 485. **Xavier**: I know a place back in India. When I think about it it's quite an expensive sport. You need a membership and all.
- 486. **Interviewer:** So say if you were planning to go golfing would you invite friends?
- 487. **Xavier**: I'd first try to learn myself, and then maybe.
- 488. **Interviewer:** And then maybe you'd invite them later?
- 489. Xavier: yeah.
- 490. Interviewer: So if say you would invite them later how would you go about inviting them?
- 491. **Xavier**: first similar, gtalk, facebook.
- 492. **Interviewer:** How many days in advance?
- 493. **Xavier**: maybe, 3 or 4 days before the weekend.
- 494. **Interviewer:** Boxing you say you'd like to box...
- 495. **Xavier**: I've done it before
- 496. **Interviewer:** You've done it before?
- 497. **Xavier**: boxing I haven't done.
- 498. **Interviewer:** You'd want to learn it?
- 499. Xavier: yeah.
- 500. **Interviewer:** So same as you do with kung fu and kickbox?
- 501. **Xavier**: yeah.
- 502. **Interviewer:** Google it, locations, visit them inside, and then you'd probably invite friends after visitng for a while?
- 503. Xavier: yeah.
- 504. **Interviewer:** Sightseeing, when was the last time you did sightseeing?
- 505. **Xavier**: hmm, back I'd say when I came to US.
- 506. **Interviewer:** What did you see?
- 507. **Xavier**: Time Square and others.
- 508. **Interviewer:** Did you go with any friends?
- 509. **Xavier**: I went with my family.
- 510. **Interviewer:** How many of you were there?
- 511. Xavier: 4.
- 512. **Interviewer:** And were they coming here to visit you?
- 513. **Xavier**: no, when the first time I came...
- 514. **Interviewer:** You have family who live here?
- 515. Xavier: yeah
- 516. **Interviewer:** So how was it coordinated, face to face?
- 517. **Xavier**: yeah face to face.

## **Figure B.17** Interview with Subject 17.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your age?
- 2. **Charles**: 22.
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 4. **Charles**: I'm doing Masters.
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Charles**: my major is Telecommunications.
- 7. **Interviewer:** And are you currently working?
- 8. **Charles**: no.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 10. **Charles**: no I commute.
- 11. **Interviewer:** And how far is your commute?
- 12. **Charles**: it's like 2 miles from here.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you walk or do you take a bus?
- 14. **Charles**: no I have a car.
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates or family?
- 16. **Charles**: I live with my friends.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any networking sites like facebook, Orkut, myspace?
- 18. Charles: I don't use facebook much but everybody in my home uses that. I don't use that.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other social...
- 20. Charles: yeah. Hotmail, younicanda, also....
- 21. **Interviewer:** Hotmail for chatting?
- 22. **Charles**: yeah.
- 23. **Interviewer:** How often are you on chat?
- 24. **Charles**: like I use regularly.
- 25. **Interviewer:** So everyday?
- 26. **Charles**: yeah.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Most of the day you stay online?
- 28. **Charles**: not most of the day but like 2 to 3 hours a day.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 30. Charles: no.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time on campus during school?
- 32. **Charles**: no. It's very busy.
- 33. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 34. **Charles**: yeah.
- 35. **Interviewer:** Like what are some of them?
- 36. **Charles**: like organizing events. Organizing the different kind of dinings, where you gather all your friends to certain place for watching movie or playing games or in a garden or something like that.
- 37. **Interviewer:** But among your friends?
- 38. **Charles**: yeah.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Any other things that you do on or off campus?
- 40. **Charles**: on campus we play like physical games as well like football soccer. And besides that we do gym as well for health and exercises.
- 41. **Interviewer:** How often do you do these? How often do you organize these events with your friends?
- 42. **Charles**: on weekends, most of the time on weekends.
- 43. **Interviewer:** What about weekdays?
- 44. **Charles**: no it's hard because they don't get time sometimes you don't get time.
- 45. **Interviewer:** What about sports and gym?
- 46. **Charles**: we try to get that regularly.
- 47. **Interviewer:** During the day, week?
- 48. **Charles**: yeah.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 50. Charles: no.
- 51. **Interviewer:** Off campus?

- 52. **Charles**: yeah off campus as well.
- 53. **Interviewer:** You say you would like to do acting with friends and strangers. Have you done any acting before?
- 54. **Charles**: nah. I only wish I could do something around that.
- 55. **Interviewer:** So say if you were to decide that you want to get involved in acting what would be your process in making that happen?
- 56. **Charles**: obviously the most difficult thing in acting I think is acting in front of camera where you can't see a person out there, and you just need to pretend what you are. That's the most tough thing. I would try to get some kind of play that goes on campus. I would try to get into that.
- 57. **Interviewer:** So your first step would be to be involved in a production?
- 58. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 59. **Interviewer:** And try out for a role?
- 60. **Charles**: yeah because to act live it's very hard because the people are seeing you and you make a mistake you don't have time to cover that up. But if you're facing a camera or something like that you can edit that later as well.
- 61. **Interviewer:** So your initial attempt at getting involved at acting would be say trying to get involved in a production here?
- 62. **Charles**: yeah.
- 63. **Interviewer:** So tell me how you would do that. How would you try to get involved in a production here at NJIT?
- 64. **Charles**: they take the auditions as well.
- 65. **Interviewer:** So what would you be looking for?
- 66. Charles: I'd be looking to play a teenage core actor and um....
- 67. **Interviewer:** Would you just walk over to the theater and see if you find someone and ask them?
- 68. **Charles**: no.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Or would you look for fliers?
- 70. **Charles**: yeah I would definitely check all the banners they place for the acting hunt, and if they're hiring the people for some kind of play.
- 71. **Interviewer:** So you would probably try to establish a face to face communication with someone or if you found a flier or something with information to contact someone....
- 72. **Charles**: yeah I'd definitely call.
- 73. **Interviewer:** So then you would get information about tryouts and things like that and then you'd go?
  - Charles: yeah, right.
- 74. **Interviewer:** So you say here with friends, so would you invite friends at all?
- 75. **Charles**: yes definitely. I have a couple of friends who know this as well so if they recommend me I'll try that place as well. And if I got something like that I would definitely tell them it as well.
- 76. **Interviewer:** So you've got friends who are also interested in it?
- 77. **Charles**: yeah. Some of my friends of done it.
- 78. **Interviewer:** So another thing you would do is talk to your friends that you're interested in acting, what can I do to get involved?
- 79. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 80. **Interviewer:** So how would you communicate with your friends about your interest in acting?
- 81. **Charles**: I would communicate with my cell phone if I get any opportunity to tell them there's some kind of events going on over here you should apply there you should try there. I would definitely call them or email.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Through a phone call?
- 83. **Charles**: no I would email them as well.
- 84. **Interviewer:** Which would you do first?
- 85. Charles: I would do an email first. If I didn't get a reply then I would call and text them.
- 86. **Interviewer:** How much time would have to pass by before you would phone call?
- 87. **Charles**: just a couple of days.
- 88. **Interviewer:** So you would email them, you'd wait a few days, and then you would call?
- 89. Charles: yeah.
- 90. **Interviewer:** If you didn't get any response back?

- 91. Charles: yeah.
- 92. **Interviewer:** So primarily email?
- 93. **Charles**: yeah.
- 94. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why you would choose to do email?
- 95. **Charles**: yeah because like if you call a person he must be doing something. Like he might be in the class, he might be in some kind of place where he's working right now. So he will not be able to take your call, you'll otherwise have to leave a message. So if you're going to leave a message on his cell phone it's better to write an email to him so that he can respond to you.
- 96. **Interviewer:** So that would kind of mean it's not urgent for you to get information about an acting thing?
- 97. **Charles**: no it is like if there are 7 days to apply for that, then I'm definitely going to email but if I have one day, then I'm going to call.
- 98. **Interviewer:** So you would go over here to find out opportunities to try out.
- 99. **Charles**: yeah.
- 100. Interviewer: You'd contact your friends.
- 101. Charles: yeah.
- 102. **Interviewer:** And if you got information here you would contact your friends about this through email?
- 103. Charles: yeah.
- 104. **Interviewer:** And phone calling if they didn't respond to your email?
- 105. Charles: yeah.
- 106. **Interviewer:** Would you bother using chat at all or just email?
- 107. **Charles**: if he'll be online at the same time when I'm signed in. Because I tell you I just use just two to three hours a day on the MSN.
- 108. **Interviewer:** So you would actually use chat first before email. Would you still email even if you got a chance to chat with them?
- 109. **Charles**: no I would definitely not email them.
- 110. **Interviewer:** So you'd only email them if they weren't on your chat?
- 111. **Charles**: yeah. Because sometimes when you use an internet connection in the university you don't sign in your MSN messenger but in the same time you're using your email box.
- 112. **Interviewer:** And you say with strangers because you'd be willing to be involved with strangers?
- 113. **Charles**: yeah.
- 114. **Interviewer:** But would you still do acting even if you couldn't get friends to come along?
- 115. **Charles**: yeah sure.
- 116. **Interviewer:** Arts and crafts, what kind of arts and crafts did you have in mind?
- 117. Charles: I love to do some kind of paintings and all that stuff because it's really hard thing to do.
- 118. **Interviewer:** You say you'd do with friends and strangers, so tell me if you decided you wanted to learn to paint or get involved in painting, what process would you go through to make that happen?
- 119. **Charles**: actually I'm not very good at this. That's why I do it with my friends as well. Because if someone is helping you you can paint something like that. If you're alone it's very hard to paint. So if I get an opportunity to interact with someone where you can learn more regarding the painting, I would try that.
- 120. **Interviewer:** Now would you go seek that out?
- 121. **Charles**: yeah.
- 122. **Interviewer:** How would you seek it out?
- 123. **Charles**: I would seek it out on the Internet. There are few websites about the painting where they tell you.
- 124. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate that for me how you would go on the Internet and find out about painting?
- 125. **Charles**: if you try that there are few places in NJ where you go and see the whole scenic view of that place.
- 126. **Interviewer:** Oh you mean an actual thing to copy?
- 127. **Charles**: yeah actual to copy and paint. Like to sit someone in front. Like if it's of New York City and all that stuff, they make you sit at the chair and then you paint.
- 128. **Interviewer:** So you're interested in landscape painting?

- 129. Charles: yeah right.
- 130. **Interviewer:** So you would be looking at information on how to do it?
- 131. Charles: yeah you can find all the places. How they paint and what paints they use.
- 132. **Interviewer:** So your first action would be to go to google, search for landscaping painting, and you put NJ?
- 133. Charles: yeah
- 134. **Interviewer:** So what would be some factors involved in you deciding on what place to go to to learn?
- 135. Charles: definitely like there should be some scenic view. Like in NJ there are a lot of scenic views.
- 136. So you plan on maybe doing it yourself by yourself, teach yourself?
- 137. Charles: no.
- 138. **Interviewer:** You'd be looking for a class or instructions?
- 139. **Charles**: I'd be looking for a good friend who can paint with me as well because it's a fun activity. So it's not a class that teaches you and you get bored and just keep on painting.
- 140. **Interviewer:** So you know friends who paint?
- 141. **Charles**: yeah I know some friends.
- 142. **Interviewer:** SO you would actually go on here to find a place worth painting?
- 143. Charles: yeah right.
- 144. Interviewer: And then you would contact a friend. So how would you contact your friend?
- 145. **Charles**: the same thing I would call.
- 146. **Interviewer:** So it wouldn't be to chat or email?
- 147. **Charles**: no I would not prefer for that.
- 148. **Interviewer:** Why would you choose to call them in this instance?
- 149. **Charles**: because it's a thing which I want to talk to him regarding that. I'm not asking him if he wants to do this thing, I want to do that thing.
- 150. **Interviewer:** So it's more urgent for you because you really want to do it?
- 151. **Charles**: yeah.
- 152. **Interviewer:** How does it compare to acting where you would just send them an email and they can get back to you later?
- 153. **Charles**: no in acting I was telling him if he wants to get involved in this thing then come on. But in painting I'm telling him like I want to do this because I already know like he does this kind of thing rapidly.
- 154. **Interviewer:** So back to the acting part your email wouldn't be about asking him hey is there any acting gigs?
- 155. Charles: no I would be telling him.
- 156. **Interviewer:** It would be to inform him?
- 157. Charles: yeah.
- 158. **Interviewer:** Ok so with acting, you would just to the nearest thing?
- 159. Charles: yeah.
- 160. **Interviewer:** But you wouldn't necessarily ask a friend who's an actor about an acting gig?
- 161. **Charles**: no I've already told like my friends there is something like an acting gig then tell me.
- 162. **Interviewer:** So you would expect them to contact you?
- 163. Charles: yeah.
- 164. **Interviewer:** You wouldn't contact them?
- 165. Charles: I would contact them only if I get something related to that.
- 166. **Interviewer:** But lets say you didn't but you were seeking that. Would you call your friends who are actors about being interested in that thing?
- 167. Charles: yeah depends on my mood like if someday I want like if I say to myself I want to do some kind of acting now. So I would definitely try to contact that person who I know he can do something for me
- 168. **Interviewer:** How would you contact him?
- 169. **Charles**: if I want something from him I will definitely call him.
- 170. **Interviewer:** So it doesn't matter how far in advance or anything you'd just call because it's important to you?
- 171. **Charles**: yeah.

- 172. **Interviewer:** So in this thing with the painting landscaping. Would you first find a place to go for a landscape to paint and then call your friend or would you call your friend first...
- 173. **Charles**: no I would call him first when he's planning to go. If he will tell me like if I'm going somewhere if I like this place then I'll not search on google.
- 174. **Interviewer:** How would you know about it? He would tell you about it?
- 175. **Charles**: yeah he would tell me about it.
- 176. **Interviewer:** If it sounds good enough you'll go?
- 177. **Charles**: yeah if I know that place then I will not google it otherwise I'll google it. If I don't like that place then I'll tell him I got a view. Lets go there and paint the view.
- 178. **Interviewer:** So you would first call a friend saying I'm interested and recommendation of when we can get together.
- 179. Charles: yeah.
- 180. **Interviewer:** So you would try to coordinate all that on the phone?
- 181. **Charles**: yeah
- 182. **Interviewer:** On that one phone call?
- 183. **Charles**: yeah
- 184. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance like what amount of time in the future would you want to get together with that friend of yours and do that landscape painting?
- 185. **Charles**: like on Sundays.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Ok so it would be the nearest weekend you'd try to coordinate?
- 187. **Charles**: yeah, it depends on the weather as well because now the weather is very good. You can do these kinds of activities but if it's snowing out there, definitely I'll not want to go.
- 188. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played basketball?
- 189. Charles: it was like 6 months back.
- 190. **Interviewer:** And how many people were involved?
- 191. **Charles**: like 5 or 6 people?
- 192. **Interviewer:** All friends?
- 193. Charles: yeah.
- 194. **Interviewer:** So who's idea was it to go play basketball?
- 195. **Charles**: it was his idea. Actually I'm not fond of basketball that much that's why he asked me if you want to go. I was getting bored at my home so I just went.
- 196. **Interviewer:** How did he contact you?
- 197. **Charles**: he called me.
- 198. Interviewer: And how far in advance did he call you?
- 199. Charles: like an hour before.
- 200. **Interviewer:** So he called you on the phone and you were bored?
- 201. **Charles**: yeah. It was not an intention of mine.
- 202. **Interviewer:** So you met him there or you all met somewhere else and then went over there?
- 203. Charles: no he came to my place to pick me up and then we went.
- 204. **Interviewer:** And he lives with you or he doesn't?
- 205. Charles: no he lives close to my house.
- 206. **Interviewer:** Concerts, when was the last time you went to a concert with friend?
- 207. Charles: I was suppose to go to a concert today. But do to this interview I didn't able to go there.
- 208. **Interviewer:** So who's idea was it to go?
- 209. Charles: it was my idea.
- 210. **Interviewer:** Where's the concert?
- 211. Charles: I searched it on google it's in New York Times Square.
- 212. **Interviewer:** Is it outdoor, indoor?
- 213. Charles: yeah it's an outdoor.
- 214. **Interviewer:** Is it free?
- 215. **Charles**: yeah it's a free concert. Because I guess there is a last day today so that's why they were arranging a concert. I like that band a lot because the band is from the same country I am.
- 216. **Interviewer:** What time are they playing?
- 217. **Charles**: they were playing at 2pm.

- 218. Interviewer: So it was your idea, how far in advance did you plan to go to this concert?
- 219. **Charles**: I just found out last night. Because if I knew that before I definitely would not have arranged an interview today.
- 220. **Interviewer:** So you found that last night how did you find out?
- 221. **Charles**: I got an email from a person just in my group. He's not my close friend but I just know him. So he emailed to every other person if you want to go there.
- 222. **Interviewer:** Ok so you saw it you found out about it that way then you started, did you invite any people to go?
- 223. Charles: yeah.
- 224. **Interviewer:** When you invited people to go did you know you have this interview today?
- 225. **Charles**: yeah I told them like I cannot go if you want to go you can go there. Because I knew they were going to go because they belong from the same country that we are. It's a quite famous band over there.
- 226. **Interviewer:** What are they called?

Charles: it's Janun.

- 227. **Interviewer:** So you got this by email. How did you communicate with your friends about the details?
- 228. **Charles**: from whom I live I told them.
- 229. **Interviewer:** So this was the people you invited or told were the people you lived with?
- 230. Charles: yeah.
- 231. Interviewer: Were there any other people you communicated about it that weren't living with you?
- 232. Charles: yeah.
- 233. **Interviewer:** So how did you share that information?
- 234. Charles: I called.
- 235. **Interviewer:** You called them?
- 236. **Charles**: yeah.
- 237. **Interviewer:** Rather than forwarding the email?
- 238. Charles: yeah because there was not that time.
- 239. **Interviewer:** Because it was so soon?
- 240. Charles: yeah.
- 241. **Interviewer:** And you were afraid they might not see it in time?
- 242. Charles: yeah.
- 243. **Interviewer:** So how many people did you call?
- 244. **Charles**: like three.
- 245. **Interviewer:** You didn't see any challenges involved in just calling the three of them?
- 246. Charles: no
- 247. **Interviewer:** Have you been to any other concerts other than that one?
- 248. **Charles**: before that I went to a concert three months ago.
- 249. **Interviewer:** How many people?
- 250. **Charles**: I went there with one of my friends.
- 251. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 252. **Charles**: it was my idea.
- 253. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did you contact your friend about going? **Charles:** one day ago. He lives with me and I told him.
- 254. **Interviewer:** How long did you know about that concert?
- 255. Charles: I heard it on the television news.
- 256. **Interviewer:** That day, that moment?
- 257. **Charles**: no, like a couple of days before.
- 258. **Interviewer:** So a few days earlier?
- 259. Charles: yeah.
- 260. Interviewer: So you decided you were going to go or you were still thinking about it?
- 261. Charles: no I was sure I was going to go because I like that band as well that band is called Sting.
- 262. **Interviewer:** So you only invited one friend?
- 263. Charles: yeah.
- 264. **Interviewer:** And you decided to contact him the day before?
- 265. Charles: yeah.

- 266. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you waited that long?
- 267. **Charles**: no. Two days before I knew that and he was not at home at that time. So when he came I told him there's a concert.
- 268. **Interviewer:** He was out of town or something?
- 269. Charles: no he was on campus. He lives with his friend because he has an exam that day.
- 270. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with him about it?
- 271. Charles: I told him by face.
- 272. **Interviewer:** So the day of, what means of communication was used?
- 273. Charles: we just planned on that day because I know that he likes him as well.
- 274. **Interviewer:** Did you have to buy tickets for this?
- 275. Charles: yeah we had to.
- 276. **Interviewer:** Who bought the tickets, you?
- 277. **Charles**: yeah. No we went there and bought our own tickets.
- 278. **Interviewer:** So you weren't afraid they'd sell out?
- 279. Charles: no.
- 280. **Interviewer:** So when you talked to him face to face you said like do you want to go to this Sting concert and he said yes?
- 281. Charles: yeah.
- 282. **Interviewer:** Then what did you all discuss? Did you discuss when you were going to meet? What time the next day, how you're going to get there, how much the tickets cost?
- 283. **Charles**: yeah we decided on that time.
- 284. **Interviewer:** How much were the tickets?
- 285. Charles: it was like, it depends on if you go closer to it it is like \$200.
- 286. Interviewer: What tickets did you guys get?
- 287. **Charles**: we got like \$70s and \$100s.
- **288. Interviewer:** \$72?
- 289. **Charles**: yeah it was not that cheaper like you can see him as though.
- 290. **Interviewer:** Did you know the price by the time you talked to your friend about it?
- 291. Charles: yeah.
- 292. Interviewer: And it was in New York?
- 293. Charles: yeah.
- 294. **Interviewer:** So you guys after talking face to face just knew on the day of the concert where to meet and you just went there?
- 295. Charles: yeah.
- 296. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were cooking with friends?
- 297. Charles: I cooked last night.
- 298. **Interviewer:** And was this something that needed to be coordinated with your friends?

**Charles**: the thing is like we cook everyday. So there is your friend with him, they help you. If not you have to do it alone.

299. **Interviewer:** So it's nothing planned?

Charles: yeah not planned.

- 300. **Interviewer:** Cricket, when was the last time you played cricket?
- 301. **Charles**: I played cricket this weekend.
- 302. **Interviewer:** And how many people?

**Charles**: was like 10 to 15 people.

- 303. **Interviewer:** And did you know all of them?
- 304. **Charles**: yeah I know all of them. But I train with strangers as well, but in this weekend I know all of them.
- 305. **Interviewer:** Is this something that's planned, is this like a regular occurring thing?
- 306. **Charles**: yeah we play every weekend.
- 307. **Interviewer:** So is there any coordination involved, like does somebody or any of you contact each other to coordinate when are we going to go over there and what time?
- 308. Charles: yeah actually we have decided that time.
- 309. **Interviewer:** So it's the routine to go there and show up?

- 310. **Charles**: yeah, we just call them if someone is not here. We just want to know whether you're coming or not.
- 311. **Interviewer:** How many total 10 to 15?
- 312. **Charles**: yeah 10 to 15.
- 313. **Interviewer:** So you all as a group, that's the group that usually play. Is there any organizers meeting is there like one or two or so people who make it their responsibility to contact other people in the group to see if they're going to come?
- 314. **Charles**: no it's not like that. We just gather at one place. If someone is missing randomly someone calls him to ask if he's coming or not.
- 315. **Interviewer:** So you show up and if it's like where's so and so. Someone calls him to see if he's coming?
- 316. Charles: yeah.
- 317. **Interviewer:** And that's the day of at the moment that it's happening? **Charles**: yeah.
- 318. **Interviewer:** And strangers being if someone invites someone to play?
- 319. **Charles**: yeah. If someone is waiting for us on the ground and he asks us let me play as well. So we just let him in our team.
- 320. **Interviewer:** Football when was the last time you played football?
- 321. Charles: football we played like 2 weeks ago.
- 322. **Interviewer:** Is this a regular thing or something that was random?
- 323. Charles: yeah. It depends on the mood if we're not playing cricket we just play football.
- 324. **Interviewer:** So is this planned in advance?
  - Charles: no it's not planned.
- 325. **Interviewer:** It's maybe an alternative to cricket then?
- 326. **Charles**: yeah.
- 327. **Interviewer:** So maybe if you don't have enough people or not the equipment or something you switch to football?
- 328. **Charles**: yeah, depends on the weather conditions.
- 329. **Interviewer:** Is it done over here, or is it done somewhere else?
- 330. **Charles**: yeah we play here as well. If the ground is busy then we go somewhere else.
- 331. **Interviewer:** So same process, if people show up or not show up you call?
- 332. Charles: yeah.
- 333. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at a house party?
- 334. **Charles**: it was like 2 weeks ago.
- 335. **Interviewer:** How many of you?
  - Charles: we were like 4. The friend who invited us he has some other friends as well over there.
- 336. **Interviewer:** It was your friend's idea for the house party?
- 337. Charles: yeah. It was his birthday party that's why he invited all of us.
- 338. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance was this planned?
- 339. **Charles**: we knew that it was his birthday coming so we knew that he's going to arrange a party on that day.
- 340. **Interviewer:** Before that party though, did he contact you?
- 341. Charles: yeah he called.
- 342. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?
- 343. **Charles**: two days ago.
- 344. **Interviewer:** And how did he communicate with you?
- 345. Charles: he called us.
- 346. **Interviewer:** So he was organizing with you and two other people? **Charles:** yeah.
- 347. **Interviewer:** So any information you needed you would contact him directly?
- 348. **Charles**: yeah but we don't need any information he told us the place and just come here for the party.
- 349. **Interviewer:** And phone calling was the only thing used?
- 350. Charles: yeah.

- 351. **Interviewer:** So there wasn't any chatting texting?
- 352. Charles: no.
- 353. **Interviewer:** Jogging when was the last time you went jogging?

**Charles**: sometimes I go when I feel bored.

- 354. **Interviewer:** And when was the last time?
- 355. Charles: I went like 2 days ago.
- 356. **Interviewer:** You usually go by yourself?

Charles: no I went with my friend.

- 357. **Interviewer:** So the last time you went with your friend was two days ago?
- 358. Charles: yeah.
- 359. Interviewer: Who's idea was it?
- 360. **Charles**: it was my idea because that day we ate something like very heavy food. That's why we were not feeling good so that's why I asked if you want to go otherwise I go alone. He says ok I'm going to go.
- 361. **Interviewer:** And how did you communicate this to him?

Charles: by face to face.

362. **Interviewer:** Was this the day of or day before?

Charles: no it was a sudden idea.

- 363. **Interviewer:** Moment of?
- 364. Charles: yeah.
- 365. **Interviewer:** He went with you right?
- 366. Charles: yeah he went with me.
- 367. **Interviewer:** Gaming when was the last time you did gaming?
- 368. **Charles**: last night.
- 369. **Interviewer:** What kind of gaming was it?

**Charles**: we have a playstation 2 at home.

- 370. **Interviewer:** And how many of you were playing?
- 371. **Charles**: we were play 4 people over there. So if we see someone wants to play we just give him a chance to play.
- 372. **Interviewer:** Is this coordinated in advance or is this kind of decided moment of?
- 373. **Charles**: yeah moment of.
- 374. **Interviewer:** So face to face?
- 375. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 376. **Interviewer:** Movie when was the last time you were out for a movie with your friends?
- 377. **Charles**: I watch a movie tomorrow. I'm going to watch a movie tomorrow and I watched a movie yesterday as well.
- 378. **Interviewer:** Now about the movie yesterday, was it at a movie theater?
- 379. **Charles**: no, we watch that at home.
- 380. **Interviewer:** Did that require any coordination? Did someone have to plan for that in advance?
- 381. **Charles**: no we didn't have a plan I just told him I'm going to watch a movie if someone is interested they can come.
- 382. **Interviewer:** That's face to face?
- 383. **Charles**: yeah face to face.
- 384. **Interviewer:** Now what about this movie you're watching tomorrow? Is it going to be at your home on a laptop or a computer?
- 385. **Charles**: if I watch a movie in my home?
- 386. **Interviewer:** Tomorrow.
- 387. **Charles**: tomorrow we are planning to go to the theater.
- 388. Interviewer: Now this theater outing. Was that planned in advance?
- 389. **Charles**: we are planning right now. It's not planned.
- 390. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 391. Charles: it was a friend's idea.
- 392. **Interviewer:** So your friend contacted you, how many of you so far are going?

- 393. **Charles**: so far he asked 3 people 3 of us.
- 394. **Interviewer:** Including you?
  - Charles: yeah including me.
- 395. **Interviewer:** So how did he communicate with you all?
- 396. **Charles**: he just talked to us face to face.
- 397. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he contact you about this movie outing?
- 398. Charles: he told us today.
- 399. **Interviewer:** So it's still being planned? **Charles**: yeah it's still being planned.
- 400. **Interviewer:** So what way will it be coordinated? Will you expect to go home and here from him what you all will do?
- 401. Charles: yeah.
- 402. **Interviewer:** So you're not expecting a phone call or him to chat with you or anything?
- 403. Charles: no.
- 404. **Interviewer:** Music, last time you listened to music?
- 405. Charles: I was just listening before I came here.
- 406. Interviewer: Do you play a musical instrument or do you just listen to music?
- 407. Charles: yeah I play as well I listen to it.
- 408. **Interviewer:** What do you lay?
- 409. Charles: I play guitar.
- 410. **Interviewer:** And when was the last time you did that?
- 411. **Charles**: I played randomly because I have that at home.
- 412. **Interviewer:** Do you play with other people?
  - **Charles**: no I'm not that professional.
- 413. **Interviewer:** You just play by yourself?
- 414. Charles: yeah.
- 415. **Interviewer:** Shopping, when was the last time you went shopping?
- 416. Charles: I went like 4 days ago.
- 417. **Interviewer:** And you went with friends?
  - Charles: no I went alone. I got a coupon that I had to use in 2 days.
- 418. **Interviewer:** You say here that you go with friends so when was the last time you went with friends?
  - **Charles**: with friends I went like 2 weeks ago.
- 419. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it to go?
- 420. **Charles**: it was his idea, he wanted to buy jeans. He asked me and I said yeah.
- 421. **Interviewer:** How did he ask you?
  - **Charles**: he called me.
- 422. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he call you?
- 423. **Charles**: he just called me suddenly.
- 424. **Interviewer:** The moment of?
- 425. Charles: yeah.
- 426. **Interviewer:** So he said now or in an hour?
- 427. **Charles**: no he said I'm going now if you're free you can come with me.
- 428. Interviewer: And you said sure and you discussed where he would pick you up?
- 429. **Charles**: yeah he picked me up.
- 430. **Interviewer:** Soccer when was the last time you played soccer?
- 431. **Charles**: I use to play before I came to the United States.
- 432. **Interviewer:** Just by yourself?
- 433. Charles: yeah.
  - **Interviewer:** Has it always been like that, you played by yourself?
- 434. **Charles**: yeah it's not a very famous game. That's why.
- 435. **Interviewer:** Sightseeing, when was the last time you went sightseeing?

- 436. **Charles**: I love that, sightseeing. So if I found someone I'd go with him. Otherwise I would go by myself.
- 437. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did it?
- 438. **Charles**: I went like 2 days ago.
- 439. **Interviewer:** Where did you go?
- 440. **Charles**: there's a place in the Hoboken city where you can see the skyline of the New York city. I went there.
- 441. **Interviewer:** How many of you went?
- 442. **Charles**: on that day I went alone because no one was going with me at that time.
- 443. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did some sightseeing with some friends?
- 444. **Charles**: I did it like a month ago.
- 445. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went? **Charles**: we were three.
- 446. **Interviewer:** And where did you go?
- 447. **Charles**: there was a park in South Orange.
- 448. **Interviewer:** You just went there?
- 449. Charles: yeah
- 450. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it to go to this park?
- 451. Charles: it was my friend's idea.
- 452. Interviewer: And how far in advance did he communicate with you about it?
- 453. **Charles**: the day before.
- 454. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you?
- 455. Charles: he just talked by face to face.
- 456. **Interviewer:** In terms of coordinating it, it was all done face to face. Was there any phone calling, texting, chatting?
- 457. Charles: no.
- 458. **Interviewer:** Traveling when was the last time you went traveling?
- 459. **Charles**: in the spring holidays.
- 460. **Interviewer:** Where did you go?
- **Charles**: I went to Michigan.
  461. **Interviewer:** You went with some friends?
- 462. **Charles**: no I went alone.
- 463. **Interviewer:** You have family there or you just went on vacation?
- 464. Charles: yeah. Some of my cousins live there.
- 465. **Interviewer:** So how did you coordinate with your cousins?
- 466. **Charles**: I call them randomly.
- 467. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you do that?
  - Charles: one month before.
- 468. **Interviewer:** Within that month did you continually contact them about coordinating to go to Michigan?
- 469. Charles: I talked to them, but I didn't coordinate with them regarding my plan.
- 470. **Interviewer:** How did you get up there? Did you fly, drive, train?
  - Charles: no I drive.
- 471. **Interviewer:** You have your own car?
- 472. **Charles**: yeah I have my own car.
- 473. **Interviewer:** Did you go to the internet for a map to get there?
  - Charles: yeah I have a GPS.
- 474. **Interviewer:** You used your GPS?
- 475. Charles: yeah.
- 476. **Interviewer:** So you just contacted your cousins a month in advance. You asked if you could come up or you said you were going to come up?
  - Charles: no I told them I'm going to come up.
- 477. **Interviewer:** And they were expecting you?
- 478. **Charles**: yeah.

- 479. **Interviewer:** So a month passed and you just went about your daily life. Did you communicate with them any other part within that week?
- 480. **Charles**: yeah I use to call them, but I didn't talk about that I'm coming.
- 481. **Interviewer:** So did you start talking about you're coming the week you were about to come?
- 482. Charles: yeah.
- 483. **Interviewer:** So within that week, the day before you got there, when did you contact them? Was it a few days before you were going to go up there that you contact them?
- 484. **Charles**: no I was calling them when I was arriving.
- 485. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you volunteered?
- 486. Charles: I volunteered at a hospital before I came to the United States. It was like 6 months ago.
- 487. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the volunteering?
- 488. **Charles**: one of my friends use to work there. He asked me like we need some people to volunteer.
- 489. **Interviewer:** How did you friend tell you face to face?
- 490. Charles: yeah.
- 491. **Interviewer:** Tennis when was the last time you played tennis with friends? **Charles:** it was like 3 months before.
- 492. **Interviewer:** And who's idea was it?
- 493. Charles: I don't remember that it was 3 months ago.
- 494. **Interviewer:** Do you remember how you were contacted about playing tennis?
- 495. Charles: I guess I was at his place and he was going to play tennis.
- 496. **Interviewer:** So this was face to face when you decided the moment of to play tennis?
- 497. Charles: yeah.
- 498. **Interviewer:** You say you would like to dance with friends?
- 499. Charles: yeah.
- 500. **Interviewer:** So is there any particular kind of dancing you would like to do?
- 501. Charles: no.
- 502. **Interviewer:** You'd want to learn or just go out and dancing?
- 503. Charles: just go out because I'm not very good at that.
- 504. **Interviewer:** So you'd want to go out and just let loose at a place?
- 505. Charles: yeah.
- 506. **Interviewer:** So lets say you want to do that. What would be your process involved in making that happen?
- 507. **Charles**: I would just email someone who's going he can ask me because it depends on my mood as well. I'm not very fond of dancing. So if someone tells me I'm going to dance if you want to come then you come, then I'll decided about that.
- 508. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate to your friends about your interest about going dancing? **Charles**: I would email them, definitely. I would not call them.
- 509. **Interviewer:** Because you're not urgent to do it right away?
- 510. **Charles**: yeah I'm not.
- 511. **Interviewer:** So you wouldn't look for a place if any of them by any chance go you would email and say hey let me know when you're going to go? **Charles:** yeah right.
- 512. **Interviewer:** Fishing when was the last time you went fishing?
- 513. **Charles**: I didn't go for fishing I'd just like to learn that.
- 514. **Interviewer:** So you would want to do that with friends?
- 515. Charles: yeah.
- 516. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to go fishing how would you go about making that happen?
- 517. **Charles**: I would randomly if I get someone who is going for fishing I would definitely go with him to learn how does it happen and all that stuff.
- 518. **Interviewer:** It doesn't have to be a friend it can be anyone?
- 519. **Charles**: no I would prefer it must be a frirend.

- 520. **Interviewer:** You would go with a friend so would you look for a place to go fishing and then contact a bunch of friends and ask if they want to go?
- 521. Charles: no.
- 522. **Interviewer:** So you would contact friends and say if any of you are going let me know?
- 523. Charles: yeah.
- 524. **Interviewer:** And how would you communicate with them?
- 525. Charles: email definitely.
- 526. **Interviewer:** Driving when was the last time you went driving for fun with friends? **Charles**: it depends like if you are going on a long drive it's fun otherwise you have to go to drive, it's a routine you have to drive.
- 527. **Interviewer:** When you put driving down here were you referring to just a routine?
- 528. Charles: no I was referring to fun.
- 529. **Interviewer:** So when was the last time you did that kind of driving?
- 530. Charles: the long drive that I did was up to Michigan 3 months ago on the spring break I told you.
- 531. **Interviewer:** Have you actually gone on a long trip?
- 532. **Charles**: no, that is the longest that I have.
- 533. **Interviewer:** Lets say you were going on a roadtrip to some place and want friends to go along, how would you communicate with your friends about going on a road trip?
- 534. **Charles**: like if I'm going to Michigan. Like I contacted a person because I know his relatives live over there as well. So I called him like if you would like to go as well in the spring break, just call me back. Because he didn't pick up I left a message on his cell phone.
- 535. **Interviewer:** So you called him because you wanted to go and so for you it was urgent to know if he wanted to.
- 536. Charles: yeah.
- 537. **Interviewer:** Vs. if it's not urgent for you and you're requesting if anyone else is going?
- 538. **Charles**: yeah.
- 539. **Interviewer:** So when you're involved you'll call people?
- 540. Charles: yeah.
- 541. **Interviewer:** But if you're not directly involved you'll just email?
- 542. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 543. **Interviewer:** And just say let me know.
- 544. **Charles**: yeah.
- 545. **Interviewer:** Swimming when was the last time you went swimming with friends?
- 546. **Charles**: we went like a couple of weeks ago.
- 547. **Interviewer:** And how many of you went swimming?
- 548. **Charles**: we were just 2.
- 549. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 550. Charles: it was his idea.
- 551. **Interviewer:** And how far in advance did he communicate with you about going swimming?
- 552. **Charles**: we were actually suppose to go to gym, but at that time he changed his mind. He said we're going to swim and I said ok.
- 553. **Interviewer:** To weightlift to run?
- 554. **Charles**: yeah to weight lift.
- 555. **Interviewer:** SO he first coordinated with you to go to the gym to do that exercise.
- 556. **Charles**: yeah.
- 557. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he contact you about doing that?
- 558. Charles: like 3 hours before.
- 559. **Interviewer:** and how did he communicate with you?
- 560. **Charles**: he called me.
- 561. **Interviewer:** So he called you 3 hours ahead of time and you said sure and you showed up?
- 562. Charles: yeah.
- 563. **Interviewer:** So why did he choose swimming?
- 564. **Charles**: I don't know I guess he changed his mind.
- 565. **Interviewer:** Ok, did you have to go get your swimming gear from home?

- 566. Charles: no we use to have that in our car. All that kind of stuff is in our car.
- 567. **Interviewer:** Bike riding, you say you'd like to go bike riding with friends? **Charles**: yeah.
- 568. **Interviewer:** Like a serious bike ride on a trail?
- 569. **Charles**: no just in the neighborhood.
- 570. **Interviewer:** So if you wanted to make that happen what would you do to make that happen?
- 571. Charles: I would search for a friend who is involved in these kind of things and I would call him.
- 572. **Interviewer:** So when you say search you mean you would sit down and think in your head who do I think would want to go bike riding and who may have a bike?
- 573. **Charles**: yeah
- 574. **Interviewer:** And you'd call them?
- 575. **Charles**: yeah
- 576. **Interviewer:** Now would you plan this in advance or do this the moment of?
- 577. **Charles**: no it must be in advance.
- 578. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan for?
- 579. **Charles**: like a week before.
- 580. Interviewer: One week, one whole week?
- 581. **Charles**: yeah one whole week.
- 582. **Interviewer:** How many people would you want to contact?
- 583. Charles: I would try to contact as much as I can as would drive the bikes.
- 584. **Interviewer:** Say there's 10 people who you think of who can ride bikes, how would you communicate with them?
- 585. **Charles**: it depends on how much people with I am in a good relationship. It depends how kind of friends they are with me. If they are good friends I will call them. If they're not good then I'll email them.
- 586. **Interviewer:** So if they're not very close to you?
- 587. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 588. **Interviewer:** So close friends you would call.
- 589. Charles: right.
- 590. Interviewer: So it doesn't matter how many of them you'd call each and every one of them?
- 591. Charles: yeah.
- 592. **Interviewer:** And you would email those you're not so close to.
- 593. **Charles**: yeah
- 594. **Interviewer:** And would you call them if they didn't get back to you?
- 595. **Charles**: no I wouldn't call them.
- 596. **Interviewer:** You'd just email them that's it?
- 597. **Charles**: yeah
- 598. **Interviewer:** Now the instances where you, I remember you mentioned about acting you would email and if you didn't hear back from them you would call them.
- 599. Charles: yeah.
- 600. **Interviewer:** Would those be people you're close to or not so close to?
- 601. **Charles**: the people I'm not close to I'm not going to email them.
- 602. **Interviewer:** And I think I recall that the reason you would email them about acting is because it's not urgent for you it's just let me know? **Charles:** yeah.
- 603. **Interviewer:** With bike riding, you would call your friends a week in advance to plan.
- 604. **Charles**: yeah right.
- 605. **Interviewer:** So would you after whatever how many days it would take you to get feedback from them, you would just wait until the day of to meet up with them or would you just contact them again like the day before or day of?
- 606. **Charles**: no I guess they'll contact me if there is something like that.
- 607. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at the gym?
- 608. **Charles**: it was like 2 days ago.

- 609. **Interviewer:** And you were with friends?
  - **Charles**: yeah I went to gym or randomly. Sometimes it's for weightlifting, sometimes it's for swimming, sometimes it's for different thing to play racquetball and all that stuff.
- 610. **Interviewer:** So the last time you went what was the purpose...
- 611. **Charles**: it was to play racquetball.
- 612. **Interviewer:** How many of you?
- 613. Charles: it was like 3 of us.
- 614. **Interviewer:** Who's idea was it?
- 615. Charles: it was his idea.
- 616. **Interviewer:** His?
- 617. Charles: one of my friends.
- 618. **Interviewer:** And how did they communicate with you?
- 619. Charles: they just live with me. They ask me.
- 620. **Interviewer:** So it was face to face the day of?
- 621. Charles: yeah. It was at the moment.
- 622. **Interviewer:** Prayer, when was the last time you prayed with friends?
- 623. Charles: I use to go with friends and alone as well.
- 624. **Interviewer:** What's your religious affiliation?
- 625. Charles: I'm a Muslim.
- 626. **Interviewer:** Is this something that is coordinated or is it a meeting place that you all just happen to be there if you happen to be there?
- 627. Charles: yeah
- 628. **Interviewer:** And with strangers being people who happen to be there?
- 629. Charles: yeah.

# Figure B.18 Interview with Subject 18.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. Luke: Freshman
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. Luke: Electrical Engineering
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Luke:** No
- 7. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 8. **Luke:** I commute
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates or family?
- 10. **Luke:** I live with roommates.
- 11. **Interviewer:** How many roommates?
- 12. **Luke:** 4 roommates
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites such as facebook, my space, or twitter?
- 14. **Luke:** I used to use them but I no longer have them.
- 15. **Interviewer:** What other accounts do you have?
- 16. Luke: None
- 17. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 18. **Luke:** I use Google Latitude Service that allows me to see where my friends are.
- 19. **Interviewer:** Do you use any others?
- 20. Luke: No
- 21. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason why you don't use any networking sites?
- 22. **Luke:** Actually, I don't have time to use social networking sites. Sometimes it is useless to me. For example, I would not use social networking to plan a movie or dinner.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason you would not use social networking when planning a movie?
- 24. **Luke:** I have a close circle of friends and I am always with them.
- 25. **Interviewer:** It is fascinating to me to find a person who does not use social networking sites to plan activities or commute with friends.
- 26. **Luke:** My friends complain to me all the time about not having an account. I find them useless in coordinating activities with friends.
- 27. **Interviewer:** Did you find social networking sites useful when you did have them?
- 28. **Luke:** Yes, when I went to college 5 years ago it was useful and a new phenomenon. I used an Orkit account to find old friends but not for coordinating activities.
- 29. **Interviewer:** How long did you use Orkit years ago?
- 30. **Luke:** I used it for one and a half years and found it useless.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Did you use facebook?
- 32. Luke: I created a facebook in 2007 and used it for two years back in Pakistan
- 33. **Interviewer:** Was there a reason you used facebook longer than Orkit?
- 34. **Luke:** I used facebook longer because I had so many more friends that I could contact even though I knew them personally. Most of them were using facebook. By the time I closed the facebook account I had over 300 contacts.
- 35. **Interviewer:** What was your reason for wanting to stop using facebook since you could reach all of these friends?
- 36. **Luke:** I have a close circle of friends and I could talk to them using IM so there was no longer a need to maintain a huge collection of friends on facebook. It is useless because you spend a lot of time looking at things instead of doing them yourself. You spend a lot of time in the virtual world instead of the real world.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 38. **Luke:** Usually yes, but not as much this semester.
- 39. **Interviewer:** What do you do with your free time?
- 40. **Luke:** I do leisure reading and sports.
- 41. **Interviewer:** What kind of sports?
- 42. **Luke:** I play cricket, soccer, and chess.
- 43. **Interviewer:** How often do you do reading?
- 44. **Luke:** Everyday but there is no fixed time.

- 45. **Interviewer:** How much time do you spend each week playing cricket?
- 46. **Luke:** I play on the weekends.
- 47. **Interviewer:** How much time do you spend each week playing soccer?
- 48. **Luke:** I play on weekends, sometimes soccer and at other times cricket.
- 49. **Interviewer:** Do you play on or off campus?
- 50. **Luke:** It depends; we play at NJIT and off campus.
- 51. **Interviewer:** How often do you play chess?
- 52. **Luke:** I play everyday.
- 53. **Interviewer:** How long do you play chess?
- 54. **Luke:** I play online. I can leave and come back to play for at least 15 to 30 minutes.
- 55. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or off campus?
- 56. **Luke:** No.
- 57. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 58. **Luke:** No, usually at home.
- 59. **Interviewer:** Do you do cooking by yourself?
- 60. Luke: Yes
- 61. **Interviewer:** Do you play cricket by yourself?
- 62. **Luke:** No, I play with friends.
- 63. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played cricket with friends?
- 64. **Luke:** I played two days ago.
- 65. **Interviewer:** How many people participated?
- 66. **Luke:** 11
- 67. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to play cricket?
- 68. **Luke:** One of my roommates.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Is this a regular routine?
- 70. **Luke:** Yes, every week.
- 71. **Interviewer:** Does the same person organize this event every week?
- 72. Luke: Yes
- 73. **Interviewer:** How far in advance does he contact you about the day to play cricket?
- 74. **Luke:** He usually contacts us a few hours on the same day we will meet to play.
- 75. **Interviewer:** How does he communicate with you?
- 76. **Luke:** He communicates with me face-to-face and he calls the others.
- 77. **Interviewer:** Does he ask you to come or do you just show up to play?
- 78. **Luke:** He asks us to come because some people do not come and they bring their own friends.
- 79. **Interviewer:** How many phone calls does he make to get eleven people to come?
- 80. **Luke:** He makes 4 to 5 calls because he does not call everyone.
- 81. He contacts a few people and request that they call someone they mutually know.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Have you ever been asked to call people to play cricket?
- 83. **Luke:** Yes, I have called people on my own.
- 84. **Interviewer:** Does this happen the same day?
- 85. Luke: Yes
- 86. **Interviewer:** Have you ever played with strangers such as people who show up that you don't know that have been invited by friends?
- 87. Luke: Yes
- 88. **Interviewer:** Do you get to know them during play?
- 89. Luke: Yes
- 90. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining out with friends?
- 91. **Luke:** Last week
- 92. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go out for dinner?
- 93. **Luke:** It was a mutual idea among my roommates. We do not cook on Friday's so we go out for dinner on a regular routine each week.
- 94. **Interviewer:** Was this planned face-to-face or did you make phone calls?
- 95. **Luke:** This was organized face-to-face.

- 96. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played soccer?
- 97. **Luke:** I played a couple of weeks ago.
- 98. **Interviewer:** Did you play with friends, strangers, or both?
- 99. **Luke:** I played with both.
- 100. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to play soccer?
- 101. Luke: I have another friend and he called me about getting together to play. He is not a roommate.
- 102. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did your friend contact you about playing soccer?
- 103. **Luke:** He contacted me one night before we went to play.
- 104. Interviewer: What form of communication did he use to contact you?
- 105. **Luke:** He called on the phone.
- 106. **Interviewer:** How many of you actually came as a group or did you just show up to play?
- 107. **Luke:** We just showed up to play.
- 108. **Interviewer:** Did you ask strangers to join you or did they ask your group to join them?
- 109. **Luke:** We asked them to play to make a complete team.
- 110. **Interviewer:** Do you play video gaming by yourself?
- 111. Luke: Yes
- 112. **Interviewer:** Do you ever play with strangers?
- 113. **Subject: 18:** Yes, I play mostly with strangers.
- 114. **Interviewer:** Is there any planning?
- 115. **Luke:** No, I just get online and locate the server.
- 116. **Interviewer:** Do you look for particular skill levels when playing?
- 117. Luke: Yes
- 118. **Interviewer:** What kind of games do you play?
- 119. Luke: We play Counter Strike and War Craft
- 120. **Interviewer:** How do you select a person to play with on Counter Strike?
- 121. **Luke:** When we join the server there are skill levels and points so we join a team with the best points.
- 122. **Interviewer:** Is there a process they use to evaluate and decide if they want you on their team?
- 123. **Luke:** Yes, every player has a rating.
- 124. **Interviewer:** Do they chat to get to know you before selecting you for their team?
- 125. Luke: No, we only have game chat.
- 126. **Interviewer:** How do you get together with strangers when you play war games?
- 127. **Luke:** I join a server and go to sites with ratings and find a player who wants to play with me. We must have a mutual agreement.
- 128. **Interviewer:** Do you go movie watching by yourself or with friends?
- 129. **Luke:** I watch movies by myself and with friends.
- 130. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to the movies by yourself?
- 131. **Luke:** I went to see Clash of the Titans.
- 132. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to the movies with friends?
- 133. Luke: I went to see Avatar.
- 134. **Interviewer:** How many friends?
- 135. **Luke:** My 4 roommates
- 136. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go to the movies?
- 137. **Luke:** One of my roommates.
- 138. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you?
- 139. Luke: Face-to-face.
- 140. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he contact you about the movie?
- 141. Luke: A week in advance.
- 142. **Interviewer:** Was there any other form of communication used throughout that week to coordinate going to the movies?
- 143. Luke: We used messaging.
- 144. **Interviewer:** How often during the week up to the event?
- 145. **Luke:** We sent messages two to three days before the event. He left me a message to be ready to go.

- 146. **Interviewer:** What details are discussed about going to the movie?
- 147. **Luke:** We discuss the time and the day. We usually know where to meet.
- 148. **Interviewer:** Did you invite other people besides your roommates?
- 149. **Luke:** One of my roommates tried to invite others.
- 150. **Interviewer:** Do you just listen to music or play music by yourself?
- 151. Luke: I listen to music by myself.
- 152. **Interviewer:** Do you ever go to a concert or a venue that plays music like a bar?
- 153. **Luke:** I went to a concert four days ago in Times Square.
- 154. **Interviewer:** Did you go with friends?
- 155. Luke: Yes
- 156. **Interviewer:** How many friends went with you?
- 157. **Luke:** Just one friend. He is not one of my roommates.
- 158. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go to the concert?
- 159. Luke: My friend.
- 160. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he contact you about the concert before it happened?
- 161. Luke: He contacted me a week before the concert.
- 162. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you?
- 163. Luke: By phone.
- 164. **Interviewer:** Within that one week was there any form of communication used to coordinate this activity?
- 165. Luke: Just the Internet.
- 166. **Interviewer:** Was this closer to the date or throughout the week?
- 167. **Luke:** Closer to the date.
- 168. **Interviewer:** How many days before you started using Yahoo to IM information about this activity?
- 169. **Luke:** Two days
- 170. **Interviewer:** What was the discussion about concerning this activity?
- 171. **Luke:** We discussed how to get there, the time, and other details.
- 172. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used the same day as the event?
- 173. Luke: Phone calls
- 174. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did some leisure reading?
- 175. **Luke:** I am reading a book right now called "The Great Gatsby".
- 176. **Interviewer:** How did you find out about the book?
- 177. Luke: I read about it online.
- 178. **Interviewer:** What site did you use?
- 179. Luke: I used Wikipedia.
- 180. **Interviewer:** Did you find this book by accident while searching on the web?
- 181. Luke: Yes
- 182. **Interviewer:** Can you describe what you did?
- 183. **Luke:** I opened Wikipedia and there was a mention of the book. I downloaded the book online for free
- 184. **Interviewer:** Do you do leisure reading with friends or with strangers?
- 185. Luke: I read by myself. I do not go to book clubs or online to put in reviews about the book.
- 186. **Interviewer:** Do you go sightseeing by yourself or with friends?
- 187. **Luke:** I go by myself.
- 188. **Interviewer:** Have you done it with friends?
- 189. Luke: Yes, once or twice I have been with friends.
- 190. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went with friends?
- 191. Luke: During spring break I went with friends.
- 192. Interviewer: Can you recall whose idea it was to go sightseeing?
- 193. **Luke:** One of my friends had friends coming to the city so we went sightseeing.
- 194. **Interviewer:** How did he communicate with you about this event?
- 195. Luke: By phone

- 196. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did he communicate with you about this trip?
- 197. **Luke:** Just one day before the trip he called to see if I were available.
- 198. **Interviewer:** Was there a lot of communication on the phone before you met for the trip?
- 199. **Luke:** No
- 200. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to do flying. Would you fly by yourself or with friends?
- 201. Luke: I would like to go with friends.
- 202. **Interviewer:** If you have an interest in going flying, what would be the process involved in making that happen?
- 203. Luke: I would see if it is feasible. I would contact an agency that provides this service.
- 204. **Interviewer:** How would you get the information?
- 205. Luke: I would go online.
- 206. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate to me how this would be done?
- 207. **Luke:** I have never done this but I will give it a try. I would search for flying clubs and go to a place close by.
- 208. **Interviewer:** What would be the criteria or factor in deciding on a place to go?
- 209. **Luke:** I would look for a flying club with a reasonable cost and contact my friends to see if they would like to participate.
- 210. **Interviewer:** How many friends would you contact?
- 211. Luke: Just one or two friends.
- 212. **Interviewer:** How would you contact your friends?
- 213. **Luke:** If he were online I would send him a message.
- 214. **Interviewer:** What would you do if he were not online?
- 215. Luke: I would call him
- 216. **Interviewer:** How far in advance in would you plan for this flying trip?
- 217. **Luke:** If it were the first time, I would plan at least one week in advance.
- 218. **Interviewer:** Do you think you would lose interest if it were more than one week?
- 219. **Luke:** I think one week is more than enough to plan.
- 220. **Interviewer:** What would you do if your friend could not go that week? Would you arrange a later day and time or would you go on your own?
- 221. Luke: I would ask someone else.
- 222. Interviewer: If you could not find anyone to go with you, what would you do?
- 223. Luke: I would plan for another time even if it were a month later.
- 224. **Interviewer:** Do you like to go hunting?
- 225. Luke: Yes
- 226. **Interviewer:** What would be the process involved in going hunting?
- 227. Luke: I have a friend who goes hunting. I would call to make plans to go with him.
- 228. **Interviewer:** Would you plan for this throughout the summer or go just one time?
- 229. Luke: I would go just one time.
- 230. **Interviewer:** What would you do if his response were yes?
- 231. Luke: I would send him an email to let him know what days I would be available.
- 232. Interviewer: How far in advance would you make arrangements to get together with him?
- 233. **Luke:** That depends on what is happening at school. If I did not have examines or if I were working I would plan at least one month in advance.
- 234. **Interviewer:** How far away does your friend live?
- 235. **Luke:** He lives in the Midwest. Because he lives so far away it would take a month for him to get ready for me to come.
- 236. **Interviewer:** What if he lived closer?
- 237. **Luke:** I would plan one week in advance.
- 238. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to go traveling with friends. What would be the process involved in making plans to go traveling with friends? Where would you go?
- 239. **Luke:** If I were to plan a trip to Las Vegas, I would look at the time frame. I would contact my friends to see if they would like to go.
- 240. **Interviewer:** How many friends would you contact?

- 241. **Luke:** I would invite a minimum of three friends.
- 242. **Interviewer:** How would you coordinate and organize a trip to Las Vegas?
- 243. **Luke:** One person would possibly look at different Las Vegas Packages with details about hotels, transportation, and cost.
- 244. **Interviewer:** How would they find this information?
- 245. **Luke:** They would use the Internet.
- 246. **Interviewer:** Would this be one person or a multiple of people in the group coordinating?
- 247. **Luke:** Just one of the guys would coordinate the plans.
- 248. **Interviewer:** How would this one organizer contact all the others in the group once he has organized all the information needed for the trip?
- 249. **Luke:** He would contact us by phone for the details. He would tell us this is a good deal for the dates he has arranged.
- 250. **Interviewer:** If one person could not make the trip, would the rest of you go without that one person?
- 251. **Luke:** Usually no, all four of us would go. If it is within a certain budget and all of us could go we would take the trip or arrange another time. If we were going to a movie or dinner and one person could not attend, that would be different.
- 252. Interviewer: How far in advance would you plan for the Las Vegas trip?
- 253. Luke: If we were just working I would say two weeks in advance.
- 254. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason why in two weeks?
- 255. **Luke:** I know my friends are the kind of people who would know if they would be able to go. They can be flexible and this is only a small group.
- 256. **Interviewer:** During the two- week period of time what days would be the most intense in terms of coordinating the flight, airline, cost, the place, and all the other details?
- 257. Luke: The second week would be most intense.
- 258. **Interviewer:** What would happen during the first week?
- 259. **Luke:** Just the initial conversation about taking the trip. We would contact people to see if they want to go. We would buy the tickets and discuss the other details later.
- 260. Interviewer: Would one-person purchase tickets for everyone or would you purchase individual tickets?
- 261. **Luke:** One person would purchase tickets for the entire group and we would reimburse him later. This would take place in week one.
- 262. **Interviewer:** What would be done the second week?
- 263. **Luke:** We would start looking for a place to stay and what we would like to do after we arrive in Las Vegas.
- 264. **Interviewer:** Would this happen immediately after you purchase the tickets?
- 265. **Luke:** This would happen at least 3 to 4 days before the flight.
- 266. **Interviewer:** Do you think anyone would be nervous about finding a hotel or the expense involved?
- 267. **Luke:** Yes, some of them would be nervous about the cost of a hotel.
- 268. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used throughout the process within this two-week period of time?
- 269. Luke: Mostly phone calls, messaging, texting, and online.
- 270. **Interviewer:** Under what circumstances would phone calls be used?
- 271. **Luke:** We would use phone calls when looking for tickets. Phone calls would be used in making decisions about going. We would use messaging to give details.
- 272. **Interviewer:** Why would you use texting?
- 273. **Luke:** We would leave a text when someone would not pick-up a call.
- 274. **Interviewer:** Would you use texting for decision-making, giving details, or both?
- 275. **Luke:** We would use texting for decision making as a reminder to contact someone when they would not answer the phone.
- 276. **Interviewer:** Would you use IM as a group or one-on-one?
- 277. **Luke:** Just one-on-one with one person and not as a group.
- 278. **Interviewer:** What form of communication would you use the day before or the same day of the trip?
- 279. **Luke:** We would use the phone for final confirmation.

- 280. **Interviewer:** If you were interested in going racing with friends, what would be the process involved in making that happen?
- 281. Luke: I would look for a location online and choose a place close.
- 282. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan?
- 283. **Luke:** I would plan at least one week in advance.
- 284. **Interviewer:** How many friends would you invite?
- 285. **Luke:** I would invite at least 3 or 4 friends.
- 286. Interviewer: What kind of racing would it be, NASCAR, or would you race yourself?
- 287. Luke: I would like to see a NASCAR Race.
- 288. **Interviewer:** Would you contact your friend's first or research information?
- 289. Luke: I would research information first.
- 290. **Interviewer:** If you researched the information and a NASCAR race was scheduled in month. Would you contact your friends immediately or wait until a week before the event?
- 291. **Luke:** I would wait until a week before and ask them, similar to the other trip. If they say yes, someone in the group would buy tickets for everyone. I would plan through Yahoo IM and use the phone for making decisions.
- 292. Interviewer: Would you use the phone for one-on-one or make a conference call?
- 293. Luke: Just one-on-one.
- 294. **Interviewer:** Would there be any difficulty calling three or four people at different times?
- 295. **Luke:** I don't think so.
- 296. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to participate in social/cultural activities with strangers. What would be the process involved in planning this activity?
- 297. **Luke:** Once I attended a Chinese social/cultural activity. I would contact a Chinese friend to attend even if the flier invited all to attend. I would still feel more comfortable asking a Chinese friend about attending. If this were a cultural/social event I would only go if I knew someone in that culture and he or she were going.
- 298. **Interviewer:** You would not attend without someone from that culture even if you were with friends?
- 299. Luke: Yes, I would not go.
- 300. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 301. **Luke:** I prefer to go with someone I know.
- 302. **Interviewer:** Do you study alone?
- 303. Luke: Yes
- 304. **Interviewer:** Do you participate in study groups?
- 305. Luke: I will for an examine.
- 306. **Interviewer:** How many people were in the group the last time you participated?
- 307. Luke: 3
- 308. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to get together for a study group?
- 309. Luke: It is a mutual decision with people in my class.
- 310. **Interviewer:** How far in advance do you plan this study group?
- 311. **Luke:** The day before we plan to have a study group.
- 312. **Interviewer:** What form of communication is used?
- 313. **Luke:** We go on a highlander g-mail account and someone sends a message about the study group. When someone is having a problem he will email the rest of the group and we will get together as a group to study.
- 314. **Interviewer:** Do you invite other people to your study group?
- 315. Luke: No, just the three of us.
- 316. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other means of communication?
- 317. **Luke:** Sometimes we call the same day.
- 318. **Interviewer:** What would be your reason for using NJIT G-mail communication in coordination rather than calling them on the phone about this study group?
- 319. **Luke:** The NJIT g-mail is designated for school related communication and Yahoo IM is for close friends.

- 320. **Interviewer:** Do you play cards by yourself or with friends?
- 321. **Luke:** I play with friends. We usually play poker.
- 322. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played poker with friends?
- 323. Luke: Yesterday
- 324. **Interviewer:** How many friends played?
- 325. Luke: 5
- 326. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to get together?
- 327. Luke: We were at a party and decided to play.
- 328. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go to the party?
- 329. **Luke:** A common friend at the house party.
- 330. **Interviewer:** How far in advance were you contacted about this party?
- 331. Luke: We were contacted three days before the event face-to-face.
- 332. **Interviewer:** When you play a regular poker game, how many people are involved?
- 333. Luke: A minimum of 4 guys.
- 334. **Interviewer:** Whose idea is it to play?
- 335. **Luke:** One of the guys in the group.
- 336. **Interviewer:** How far in advance will they contact you to play poker?
- 337. **Luke:** The same day since this is a regular routine.
- 338. **Interviewer:** How will you communicate?
- 339. Luke: Face-to-face.
- 340. **Interviewer:** Does he contact you in the morning about the poker game or later in the day?
- 341. Luke: He contacts me an hour before the game.

# Figure B.19 Interview with Subject 19.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Hanna:** I am a junior.
- 3. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 4. **Hanna:** Architectural Information Technology
- 5. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 6. **Hanna:** Yes
- 7. **Interviewer:** What is your current occupation?
- 8. **Hanna:** I am a desk attendant at NJIT.
- 9. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or do you commute?
- 10. **Hanna:** I live on campus.
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 12. **Hanna:** I live with a roommate.
- 13. **Interviewer:** How many?
- 14. **Hanna:** One roommate
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites like facebook, my space, or twitter?
- 16. **Hanna:** I have them but I don't generally use them.
- 17. **Interviewer:** Which ones do you have?
- 18. **Hanna:** I have facebook and my space.
- 19. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 20. **Hanna:** Every 3 to 6 months.
- 21. **Interviewer:** How often do you use my space?
- 22. **Hanna:** Once a year
- 23. **Interviewer:** When you do use facebook, what is your reason?
- 24. **Hanna:** When someone sends me e-mail or sends me a photo.
- 25. **Interviewer:** So that doesn't happen very frequently?
- 26. Hanna: No
- 27. **Interviewer:** What would be your reason for using my space?
- 28. **Hanna:** Someone sends me a message.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on your phone?
- 30. Hanna: Yes I do.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Which applications do you use?
- 32. **Hanna:** Generally I use games. I don't have specific ones that I use.
- 33. **Interviewer:** What applications do you use for social communication with other people?
- 34. **Hanna:** I use texting applications.
- 35. **Interviewer:** Can you show it to me?
- 36. **Hanna:** Yes, I type in a number and send a text message. It works like any other text. This is an application that I downloaded.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you liked this application instead of using the conventional application on your phone?
- 38. **Hanna:** It was free so it does not cost me anything.
- 39. **Interviewer:** Do you use any other applications?
- 40. Hanna: No
- 41. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 42. Hanna: No
- 43. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or of campus?
- 44. **Hanna:** Yes, of campus.
- 45. **Interviewer:** What are some of these activities?
- 46. **Hanna:** Church related activities like missionary work.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 48. Hanna: Yes
- 49. **Interviewer:** What are some of these activities?
- 50. **Hanna:** Video games and crocheting
- 51. **Interviewer:** How often do you do these activities?
- 52. **Hanna:** I will do video games 10 hours a week and crocheting once a month.

- 53. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did a form of arts and craft with friends?
- 54. **Hanna:** 4 days ago
- 55. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 56. **Hanna:** 3 people
- 57. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to get involved with arts and craft?
- 58. **Hanna:** My sister called me over to help her with a science project that involved mailing a Pringle without damaging it. My friend and I helped her with this project.
- 59. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did she contact you?
- 60. **Hanna:** The same day she needed help.
- 61. **Interviewer:** Did you contact the friend?
- 62. **Hanna:** My sister sent a text to both of us first and then she called.
- 63. **Interviewer:** What did the text message say?
- 64. **Hanna:** I need your help, please help me with my science project.
- 65. **Interviewer:** Did she call you right after the text?
- 66. Hanna: Yes
- 67. **Interviewer:** What was the purpose of the phone call?
- 68. **Hanna:** She wanted to make sure I received the text.
- 69. **Interviewer:** Did you discuss plans about how to get there and your schedule?
- 70. **Hanna:** Yes
- 71. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you played badminton with friends?
- 72. **Hanna:** A year ago
- 73. **Interviewer:** Do you know how many people were involved?
- 74. **Hanna:** It was 3 of us.
- 75. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to play badminton?
- 76. **Hanna:** It was my friend's idea.
- 77. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did she contact you about getting together for badminton?
- 78. **Hanna:** She contacted me two days in advance.
- 79. **Interviewer:** How did she communicate with your?
- 80. **Hanna:** Face-to-face
- 81. **Interviewer:** During those two days, was there any other means of communication used in coordinating getting together?
- 82. **Hanna:** It was just face-to-face.
- 83. **Interviewer:** What was the discussion about when you met face-to-face?
- 84. **Hanna:** We discussed getting together, the day and time.
- 85. **Interviewer:** Did you invite anyone else to come?
- 86. **Hanna:** No
- 87. **Interviewer:** Did your friend invite the third person?
- 88. **Hanna:** Yes
- 89. **Interviewer:** Were you playing with strangers?
- 90. **Hanna:** No, just the three of us.
- 91. **Interviewer:** Did you meet that the same time? Was anyone running late?
- 92. **Hanna:** We met at the same time, no one was running late.
- 93. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you attended church with friends?
- 94. Hanna: Yesterday
- 95. **Interviewer:** Is this a regular routine for you?
- 96. Hanna: Yes
- 97. **Interviewer:** Is there any need to coordinate with other people?
- 98. Hanna: No
- 99. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved with community service with friends?
- 100. Hanna: Last Friday
- 101. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 102. Hanna: Just 2 people

- 103. **Interviewer:** What was the community service activity?
- 104. **Hanna:** Volunteering in the print room at NJIT
- 105. **Interviewer:** Is this a routine activity?
- 106. **Hanna:** Yes, we volunteer every Friday.
- 107. **Interviewer:** Is there any means of communication used to coordinate this volunteer activity?
- 108. **Hanna:** No
- 109. **Interviewer:** Has there ever been a case when one of the two of you did not come?
- 110. **Hanna:** Yes there has been a case when someone was running late.
- 111. Interviewer: When that person was running late, was there any means of communication used?
- 112. **Hanna:** Yes, there was text messaging and a phone call.
- 113. **Interviewer:** Did you text her first?
- 114. Hanna: Yes, I sent a text asking where she was at the time. She called me on the phone.
- 115. **Interviewer:** How soon after the text did she call you?
- 116. **Hanna:** She called 5 to 10 minutes after the text.
- 117. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did cooking with friends?
- 118. **Hanna:** This past Tuesday
- 119. Interviewer: How many people were involved?
- 120. Hanna: Just two of us.
- 121. **Interviewer:** Was this a routine activity?
- 122. **Hanna:** No, it was just a spare of the moment thing.
- 123. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to get together for cooking?
- 124. **Hanna:** It was my idea.
- 125. Interviewer: How far in advance did you contact your friend about getting together to cook?
- 126. **Hanna:** She was already with me so this was done face-to-face.
- 127. **Interviewer:** Was this activity decided the same day?
- 128. Hanna: Yes
- 129. **Interviewer:** Did you have your ingredients or did you have to go to the store?
- 130. **Hanna:** We had to go to the store.
- 131. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went dining-our with friends?
- 132. Hanna: Two-weeks-ago
- 133. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 134. **Hanna:** 7 people
- 135. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was?
- 136. **Hanna:** My friend's idea
- 137. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did she contact you?
- 138. **Hanna:** She contacted me four days in advance.
- 139. **Interviewer:** Did she contact you directly or did you hear about this from another friend?
- 140. **Hanna:** She sent a mass text to all of us.
- 141. **Interviewer:** What did the text say?
- 142. **Hanna:** She was returning from Florida so she wanted to know if we wanted to get together.
- 143. **Interviewer:** What was your response?
- 144. **Hanna:** Yes, we could go to a movie, dine at a restaurant, or go into the city.
- 145. **Interviewer:** During those four days, what means of communication was used to coordinate this activity?
- 146. Hanna: Only texting
- 147. **Interviewer:** Initially you said we would go to a movie or restaurant, what was her response after that?
- 148. **Hanna:** She took a poll to see if everybody wanted to do.
- 149. **Interviewer:** Did this take place the same day?
- 150. Hanna: Yes
- 151. Interviewer: When was the next time she contacted you about definite plans or options?
- 152. **Hanna:** The same day.
- 153. **Interviewer:** What information did she send in the text?

- 154. **Hanna:** She texted her location, how many people were attending, and that dining would be best for all of us.
- 155. **Interviewer:** Was all of this information sent in one text?
- 156. **Hanna:** She sent 5 text message one after another.
- 157. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason she did not call instead?
- 158. **Hanna:** She is a teacher so this was done during the time of the day when she could not make many calls.
- 159. **Interviewer:** Was this a chain text message?
- 160. Hanna: Yes
- 161. **Interviewer:** After the mass text message, was there any other text messages exchanged between you and her leading up to the actual event?
- 162. **Hanna:** No
- 163. **Interviewer:** Was there any phone calling the day before or the day of the event?
- 164. **Hanna:** I did not receive a call, but some of the others had to be called.
- 165. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason she did not call and confirm with you?
- 166. Hanna: I told her in my text that I would definitely be there so she did not have to confirm.
- 167. **Interviewer:** Did you know the other people?
- 168. Hanna: Yes
- 169. **Interviewer:** Do you know why she needed to call and confirm with the others?
- 170. **Hanna:** Some of them did not get back to her and others had church activities that were in conflict with this activity.
- 171. **Interviewer:** Was this a church group?
- 172. Hanna: Yes
- 173. **Interviewer:** Were any people running late?
- 174. **Hanna:** Yes
- 175. **Interviewer:** Was any means of communication used for those people running late?
- 176. **Hanna:** Yes, three people were running late so everyone besides me sent a text to see where they were.
- 177. **Interviewer:** Were they texting the same people or different people?
- 178. **Hanna:** They were all texting the same people.
- 179. **Interviewer:** Did they think that each person would receive 3 or 4 messages saying the same thing? Did they consider that?
- 180. **Hanna:** They did consider that but they wanted them to know how it was important for them to receive the message.
- 181. **Interviewer:** Did anyone call?
- 182. **Hanna:** No
- 183. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason they did not call?
- 184. **Hanna:** We were already in the restaurant and it seemed rude to call.
- 185. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went driving with friends?
- 186. Hanna: Yesterday
- 187. **Interviewer:** Was this something that needed to be planned or coordinated?
- 188. **Hanna:** No, it was at church so it was done face-to-face.
- 189. **Interviewer:** Was it for pick-up to go to church of to drop people off?
- 190. **Hanna:** To go to church.
- 191. **Interviewer:** Were you picked up or did you drive around picking up people?
- 192. **Hanna:** I was picked up for church.
- 193. **Interviewer:** Do you usually have to contact someone to get a ride?
- 194. **Hanna:** No, they just know to meet me at a certain location and time.
- 195. **Interviewer:** If you are not there, they figure that you are not attending?
- 196. Hanna: Yes
- 197. **Interviewer:** Has there ever been an instance where you weren't where you needed to be to be picked-up?
- 198. **Hanna:** Yes, there has been 4 times this year when I had been late for my pick-up spot. They will text or call to see if I am still going.
- 199. **Interviewer:** Is this pick-up spot just for you or a group of people?

- 200. **Hanna:** Just for me.
- 201. **Interviewer:** If they arrive and you are not there, they will text you rather than call?
- 202. **Hanna:** They will call first and if I don't pick-up they will text.
- 203. **Interviewer:** What does the text message say?
- 204. **Hanna:** I am waiting downstairs, be here in 10 minutes.
- 205. **Interviewer:** Do you ever respond to say that you are not going to make it?
- 206. Hanna: No, I just come downstairs.
- 207. **Interviewer:** You say that you would like to go fishing. Can you describe to me the process you would take to make that happen?
- 208. **Hanna:** I would get someone to drive me and get the equipment. I would go on-line and search for fishing spots in New Jersey.
- 209. **Interviewer:** How would you go about finding someone for a ride?
- 210. **Hanna:** I would contact people that I know with cars. I have two friends and one family member with cars.
- 211. **Interviewer:** What means of communication would you use to contact them?
- 212. **Hanna:** First, I would text them and then a phone call.
- 213. **Interviewer:** What would be your text message?
- 214. Hanna: I would ask if someone would be available on a certain date to take be fishing.
- 215. **Interviewer:** What would be the reason for calling?
- 216. **Hanna:** If they do not respond to the text I would call.
- 217. Interviewer: How long of a time period would you wait to call if they did not respond to the text?
- 218. Hanna: I would wait two Sunday's.
- 219. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason you would wait that long?
- 220. **Hanna:** I like to text so I would send more text messages.
- 221. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan for this fishing trip?
- 222. **Hanna:** One month
- 223. **Interviewer:** You would start with people you know have vehicles. Would this also be your invitation for them to come along?
- 224. Hanna: Yes
- 225. **Interviewer:** If you get more than one response, how would you select the person you want to drive?
- 226. **Hanna:** I would select the person with the better vehicle.
- 227. **Interviewer:** What would qualify as a better vehicle for you?
- 228. Hanna: How well they maintain their car.
- 229. **Interviewer:** What would be your next step after you choose a driver?
- 230. **Hanna:** I would send a text thanking them for going fishing with me and then we would get the equipment.
- 231. **Interviewer:** What would you do concerning the other people who offered to drive?
- 232. **Hanna:** I would send them a text just to say thanks but no thanks.
- 233. **Interviewer:** Would you ask them to go on the trip?
  - Hanna: No
- 234. **Interviewer:** Once you choose a driver, would this be a small group?
  - Hanna: Yes
- 235. **Interviewer:** How many people?
- 236. Hanna: Just 5 people
- 237. **Interviewer:** What means of communication would you use to make arrangements with the driver to get fishing equipment?
- 238. **Hanna:** I would use face-to-face, text message, and phone calling.
- 239. **Interviewer:** What order would you using in contact the driver?
- 240. **Hanna:** I would use face-t-face, text message, and phone calling.
- 241. Interviewer: What would you discuss with the driver face-to-face?
- 242. **Hanna:** I would confirm the schedule, talk about the best fishing spots, and what equipment we need to bring.
- 243. **Interviewer:** Would you be discussing these details without knowing where to go or where to get equipment?

- 244. **Hanna:** Yes, we would go online to find that information.
- 245. **Interviewer:** Can you demonstrate how you would go on line to get information?
- 246. Hanna: I would google places to go in New Jersey to fish and select from the top three choices. I would probably buy the equipment from Walmart.
- 247. **Interviewer:** Would you look at several sites or would you just choose Walmart as the site to buy equipment?
- 248. **Hanna:** I would just choose Walmart because they have relatively cheap prices.
- 249. **Interviewer:** Would you discuss inviting other people?
- 250. **Hanna:** I would mention that I have other people in mind to invite on the trip.
- 251. **Interviewer:** How would you communicate with those people?
- 252. **Hanna:** I would use text message.
- 253. **Interviewer:** Would you text them at that moment or at a later time?
- 254. Hanna: Immediately
- 255. **Interviewer:** What would be your criteria in deciding on a place to go fishing?
- 256. **Hanna:** I would go on the New Jersey Government site to see how many spots they have and google those sites to review the comments of others.
- 257. **Interviewer:** Would your criteria be based on the comments?
- 258. Hanna: Yes
- 259. Interviewer: How far of a distance would you be willing to travel to find a good place to fish?
- 260. **Hanna:** I would travel two hours.
- 261. **Interviewer:** If the distance were more than two hours, would you choose a place closer with the best reviews?
- 262. Hanna: No, I just wouldn't go.
- 263. **Interviewer:** It is really important to you what the ratings say.
- 264. Hanna: Yes
- 265. **Interviewer:** How would you discuss the details with the other people that you will not see face-to-face like the driver?
- 266. **Hanna:** I would just text them and call.
- 267. **Interviewer:** Would the phone call be a follow-up to the text message?
- 268. Hanna: Yes
- 269. Interviewer: What would be your means of communication the day before and the day of the event?
- 270. **Hanna:** I would call rather than text.
- 271. **Interviewer:** Is there a reason why?
- 272. **Hanna:** I would want to make sure that I talk to them.
- 273. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went gaming with friends?
- 274. **Hanna:** Today
- 275. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 276. **Hanna:** Just two of us.
- 277. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was?
- 278. **Hanna:** I just started playing a video game and she joined.
- 279. Interviewer: Do you both have your own machine or separate machines?
- 280. **Hanna:** We have our own machine.
- 281. **Interviewer:** Did the two of you coordinate meeting together for lunch?
- 282. **Hanna:** It's a regular time and place.
- 283. **Interviewer:** Are you part of a sorority?
- 284. **Hanna:** I am part of a service fraternity.
- 285. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were involved with this service fraternity?
- 286. **Hanna:** A year and a half ago.
- 287. **Interviewer:** What was the event?
- 288. Hanna: Greeks from different chapters come together.
- 289. **Interviewer:** Did your chapter host this function?
- 290. **Hanna:** No, a chapter from another school.
- 291. **Interviewer:** How did your chapter find out about this event?
- 292. Hanna: E-mail and it was on the website.

- 293. **Interviewer:** Who passed on this information to your chapter?
- 294. **Hanna:** The president of the chapter.
- 295. **Interviewer:** How did they communicate to you about this event?
- 296. **Hanna:** We had a face-to-face meeting with the chapter members at NJIT.
- 297. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this meeting about going to this event?
- 298. **Hanna:** Two months in advance.
- 299. **Interviewer:** Was there any forms of communications used within this two month period of time to coordinate plans and details for attending?
- 300. Hanna: It was primarily e-mail and face-to-face.
- 301. Interviewer: As the date was approaching, what means of communication was used within a two-week window?
- 302. **Hanna:** Phone calls were used within a two- week span.
- 303. **Interviewer:** Within the span of two months, when did they start using phone calling as a means of coordination?
- 304. **Hanna:** A month before the event.
- 305. **Interviewer:** What was the purpose of the phone calls?
- 306. **Hanna:** The purpose was to get a head account of the number of people attending.
- 307. **Interviewer:** Was e-mail done frequently or once a week?
- 308. **Hanna:** It was done once a week.
- 309. **Interviewer:** What was in the e-mail?
- 310. **Hanna:** The cost and asking people if they wanted to go.
- 311. **Interviewer:** Did people have to submit their money to one of the officers?
- 312. Hanna: Yes
- 313. **Interviewer:** Was the e-mailing done mostly for planning and details?
- 314. Hanna: Yes
- 315. **Interviewer:** Was the phone calling used for people who said they were going and had paid, for people going and they had not paid, or for people who had not responded?
- 316. **Hanna:** The phone calling was for everyone.
- 317. **Interviewer:** Who contacted them by phone?
- 318. **Hanna:** Members of the executive board such as the secretary and the vice-president of the chapter contacted us.
- 319. **Interviewer:** Did they contact you by phone?
- 320. Hanna: Yes
- 321. Interviewer: You said that you were going and that you had already paid.
- 322. Hanna: Yes
- 323. **Interviewer:** Did you do this before the phone calls?
- 324. **Hanna:** Yes I did.
- 325. **Interviewer:** Was there any e-mailing or texting done within that month?
- 326. **Hanna:** I don't think so.
- 327. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to do hunting with friends
- 328. Hanna: Yes
- 329. **Interviewer:** Can you describe the process involved in planning a hunting trip?
- 330. **Hanna:** I would go online and start learning as much as I could about hunting. I have only one friend that I would take. We would set up a date and go.
- 331. **Interviewer:** How would you contact your friend about this hunting idea?
- 332. **Hanna:** We see each other all the time so this would be a face-to-face interaction.
- 333. **Interviewer:** How far in advance would you plan this activity?
- 334. **Hanna:** Two weeks in advance.
- 335. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason you would plan this two weeks in advance in comparison to the fishing trip which you would plan a month in advance?
- 336. **Hanna:** In this case there would only be two of us going and it would not involve a large group.
- 337. **Interviewer:** Would this be a friend with a vehicle?
- 338. Hanna: Yes
- 339. **Interviewer:** What would be your criteria for choosing a place to go hunting?
- 340. Hanna: I would choose a place that is most convenient with animals during hunting season.

- 341. **Interviewer:** Would you look into finding someone to teach you how to hunt?
- 342. **Hanna:** I would chance it on my own.
- 343. **Interviewer:** Would you buy or rent equipment?
- 344. **Hanna:** We would research to see which is cheaper buying or renting.
- 345. **Interviewer:** After the face-to-face, would you use any other means of communication with your friend in that two- week period of time?
- 346. Hanna: I would probably call.
- 347. **Interviewer:** Would calling be our primary means of communication?
- 348. Hanna: Yes
- 349. **Interviewer:** Why would you choose calling over texting?
- 350. **Hanna:** This friend does not have unlimited texting.
- 351. **Interviewer:** Would you choose to call her a certain time of the day when she is available?
- 352. **Hanna:** No, just random calling.
- 353. **Interviewer:** Do you use IM?
- 354. **Hanna:** No
- 355. **Interviewer:** How many times throughout the week would you contact her?
- 356. **Hanna:** At least twice a week to confirm the details.
- 357. **Interviewer:** Would she help you search for a place to go or would you do it all on your own?
- 358. **Hanna:** She would help.
- 359. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went movie watching with friends?
- 360. Hanna: Last week at home
- 361. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 362. **Hanna:** 3
- 363. Interviewer: Do you recall whose idea it was?
- 364. Hanna: It was my idea
- 365. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your friends about getting together?
- 366. **Hanna:** I told one person face-to-face and she told another friend.
- 367. **Interviewer:** Did this happen the same day or in advance?
- 368. **Hanna:** This happened the same day.
- 369. Interviewer: Can you recall the last time you went to the movie theatre?
- 370. **Hanna:** Two weeks ago
- 371. **Interviewer:** How many of you were involved?
- 372. **Hanna:** It was two of us.
- 373. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was?
- 374. **Hanna:** It was my idea
- 375. **Interviewer:** How did you communicate with your friend about going to the movie?
- 376. **Hanna:** Text message
- 377. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this done?
- 378. **Hanna:** This was done the day before the event.
- 379. **Interviewer:** Did you use any other means of communication within that time period?
- 380. **Hanna:** Face-to-face and text message.
- 381. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went to the museum with friends?
- 382. Hanna: It was two weeks ago.
- 383. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 384. **Hanna:** 2
- 385. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go to the museum?
- 386. **Hanna:** It was for a class.
- 387. **Interviewer:** Was there any coordination done to get together to go to the museum?
- 388. **Hanna:** Just a phone calls asking about the availability of us going.
- 389. **Interviewer:** How far in advance?
- 390. **Hanna:** 3 days in advance
- 391. **Interviewer:** Do you recall who was the first to call?
- 392. **Hanna:** I was the first to call.
- 393. Interviewer: Did you use any other means of communication over this three days period of time?

- 394. Hanna: Face-to-face.
- 395. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you discussed politics with friends?
- 396. **Hanna:** Last week
- 397. **Interviewer:** Was this a discussion in the middle of talking about things or was this a coordinated event?
- 398. **Hanna:** It was in the middle of a discussion while talking about other things.
- 399. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did reading?
- 400. **Hanna:** 2 days ago
- 401. **Interviewer:** Was this by yourself?
- 402. Hanna: Yes
- 403. **Interviewer:** You say that you would like to go sight seeing with your friends.
- 404. Hanna: Yes
- 405. **Interviewer:** What would be the process involved in planning a sight seeing activity?
- 406. **Hanna:** My friends and I are narrowing down the places we would like to go with face-to-face communication.
- 407. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you plan?
- 408. **Hanna:** 3 months
- 409. **Interviewer:** How many of you will be involved?
- 410. **Hanna:** 8 people
- 411. **Interviewer:** What places are you considering to go?
- 412. **Hanna:** We are considering Massachusetts, Canada, and four or five places.
- 413. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go sight seeing?
- 414. **Hanna:** The idea came from three people in the group.
- 415. **Interviewer:** How did they communicate this idea to you and the rest of the group?
- 416. **Hanna:** Initially we communicated face-to-face.
- 417. **Interviewer:** What has been the means of communication from the beginning to the present time?
- 418. Hanna: Face-to-face
- 419. **Interviewer:** Have you spent any time researching online the places you are considering?
- 420. **Hanna:** No
- 421. **Interviewer:** Are the three friends in the group researching all the details?
- 422. Hanna: Yes
- 423. **Interviewer:** Have you had any discussions about cost or time?
- 424. **Hanna:** They are still discussing details about a location. I have done research on my own time about the cost and shared it with the rest of the group.
- 425. **Interviewer:** Do you feel as the time approaches close to the actual event that there will still be face-to-face communication since school will be closed?
- 426. **Hanna:** There will probably be texting.
- 427. **Interviewer:** How will the three people get information to the others in the group?
- 428. **Hanna:** They will probably use mass texting.
- 429. **Interviewer:** Will this be systematic such as dividing among the three of them to contact people?
- 430. **Hanna:** They will do random mass texting.
- 431. **Interviewer:** If three are involved in the planning, do you think you will get three text messages detailing the same information?
- 432. Hanna: Yes
- 433. **Interviewer:** Why do you think they will send multiple texts messaging of the same information?
- 434. **Hanna:** They probably will not know that they are sending the same information because each person will know that the information needs to be sent and one person would not take the responsibility to check.
- 435. **Interviewer:** Essentially there will be a huge mass of texting back and forth.
- 436. Hanna: Yes
- 437. **Interviewer:** Do you feel there are any challenges or complications in the coordination of this particular trip?
- 438. **Hanna:** No really, as long as we know that we are going.

- 439. **Interviewer:** Will they be frustrated with multiple mass texting of the same information?
- 440. **Hanna:** No, as long as they have free text.
- 441. **Interviewer:** Is the text conventional or does it look like a chat format where you can scroll up and down?
- 442. **Hanna:** You can tell who sent the text and it is not in a chat format.
- 443. **Interviewer:** As the day approaches do you think that texting will still be used or will there be another means of communication?
- 444. **Hanna:** Probably the week of the event there will be more phone calls for confirmation.
- 445. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to go swimming with friends?
- 446. Hanna: Yes
- 447. **Interviewer:** What would be your process in getting together to go swimming with friends?
- 448. **Hanna:** First, I would learn how to swim and on certain days I would call friends to see if they would like to go.
- 449. **Interviewer:** Would you call the same day?
- 450. Hanna: Yes
- 451. **Interviewer:** Why would you choose to call the same day instead of two weeks or a month in advance?
- 452. **Hanna:** The friends I would call live on campus that has a swimming pool so we would not have to schedule and event.
- 453. **Interviewer:** How many friends would you invite?
- 454. **Hanna:** Three or four friends.
- 455. **Interviewer:** You said that you would like to play volleyball with friends. Describe the process that you would take to make this happen?
- 456. **Hanna:** I would contact my friends on campus to see if they want to play volleyball.
- 457. **Interviewer:** Would you contact them the same day?
- 458. **Hanna:** The same day or the day before the event.
- 459. **Interviewer:** What means of communication would you use?
- 460. **Hanna:** I would use texting.
- 461. **Interviewer:** Why would you use texting for volleyball in comparison to calling for swimming?
- 462. **Hanna:** If I were asking them the day before it would be a text. I would call the same day to schedule a time for swimming.
- 463. **Interviewer:** Why would you contact them the day before for volleyball in comparison to the same day for swimming?
- 464. **Hanna:** I would probably have to rent the space for volleyball.
- 465. **Interviewer:** Would you rent the space first or text to see who is interested?
- 466. **Hanna:** I would text to see who is interested and then rent the space.
- 467. **Interviewer:** If the space were not available, would you coordinate another time to pay volleyball?
- 468. **Hanna:** No, unless the occasion came again.
- 469. **Interviewer:** Would you reserve the court the day before the event?
- 470. Hanna: Yes
- 471. **Interviewer:** Would you do beach volleyball if there is an open court?
- 472. **Hanna:** If the beach volleyball court is open and the volleyball court is not available, I would ask for the space and call my friends the same day.
- 473. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did volunteering service with friends?
- 474. **Hanna:** This past Sunday.
- 475. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 476. **Hanna:** It was two of us.
- 477. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to volunteer?
- 478. **Hanna:** Someone at church asked us to volunteer.
- 479. **Interviewer:** How far in advance was this planned?
- 480. **Hanna:** At least 4 or 5 days earlier.
- 481. **Interviewer:** How did this person contact you about volunteering?
- 482. Hanna: It was face-to-face.

- 483. **Interviewer:** Was there any other means of communication used within that 4 to 5 day period of time?
- 484. **Hanna:** Yes, there was a text message.
- 485. **Interviewer:** How were you initially contacted about volunteering?
- 486. **Hanna:** I was initially contacted by text message. I ignored the message on purpose and the person talked to me face-to-face about volunteering.
- 487. **Interviewer:** Were you willing to volunteer?
- 488. **Hanna:** I was not willing but obligated.
- 489. **Interviewer:** How much time had elapsed from the text message to the time of face-to-face communication?
- 490. **Hanna:** At least three days had elapsed.
- 491. **Interviewer:** Did he text you again or just face-to-face?
- 492. **Hanna:** He did not contact me again, just face-to-face.
- 493. **Interviewer:** After the face-to-face up to the time of the actual moment to volunteer, what means of communication was used?
- 494. Hanna: I received a text message from him.
- 495. **Interviewer:** Did you respond?
- 496. **Hanna:** Yes, by means of texting.
- 497. **Interviewer:** What was involved in the text message?
- 498. **Hanna:** It involved the details of my duties.
- 499. **Interviewer:** What means of communication was used the day of the event?
- 500. **Hanna:** We used face-to-face communication, there was no phone calls.

#### **Figure B.20** Interview with Subject 20.

- 1. **Interviewer:** What is your current school year?
- 2. **Elizabeth:** 7th year
- 3. **Interviewer:** Are you an undergraduate?
- 4. Elizabeth: Yes
- 5. **Interviewer:** What is your major?
- 6. **Elizabeth:** Architecture
- 7. **Interviewer:** Are you currently working?
- 8. Elizabeth: Yes
- 9. **Interviewer:** What is your current occupation?
- 10. **Elizabeth:** Desk Attendant at NJIT
- 11. **Interviewer:** Do you live on campus or commute?
- 12. **Elizabeth:** I live on campus.
- 13. **Interviewer:** Do you live by yourself or with roommates?
- 14. Elizabeth: One roommate
- 15. **Interviewer:** Do you use any social networking sites like facebook, my space, or twitter?
- 16. **Elizabeth:** I have facebook and my space but I don't use them that often.
- 17. **Interviewer:** How often do you use my space?
- 18. **Elizabeth:** The last time I logged in was two years ago.
- 19. **Interviewer:** How often do you use facebook?
- 20. **Elizabeth:** Once a month
- 21. **Interviewer:** What is your reason for using facebook?
- 22. **Elizabeth:** To check my e-mail, friend request, and to chat with family members.
- 23. **Interviewer:** Other than that you don't use facebook very much?
- 24. **Elizabeth:** It has changed a lot and it really doesn't suite my flavor I guess.
- 25. **Interviewer:** Was there a time you used it more often?
- 26. **Elizabeth:** More often than now
- 27. **Interviewer:** What is the reason for not using my space as often?
- 28. **Elizabeth:** Lack of interest, I was just asked by friends to join the page.
- 29. **Interviewer:** Are there any other social sites you use beside these?
- 30. Elizabeth: No, only gaming sites.
- 31. **Interviewer:** Do you use any mobile applications on our phone?
- 32. Elizabeth: No, not social, just games
- 33. **Interviewer:** What kind of games do you play on your phone?
- 34. Elizabeth: I have I-Pod touch
- 35. **Interviewer:** Do any of these games involve playing with other people?
- 36. **Elizabeth:** That depends on the connections and sometimes I play poker with others.
- 37. **Interviewer:** Have you ever communicated or chatted with other poker players?
- 38. **Elizabeth:** I am just there for the game. There is a chat box but I prefer not to use it.
- 39. **Interviewer:** How often do you play the poker game?
- 40. **Elizabeth:** It used to be everyday but now it is once every 2 weeks.
- 41. **Interviewer:** Is this for real money or fake money?
- 42. **Elizabeth:** Fake money
- 43. **Interviewer:** Do you consider yourself to have a lot of free time during school?
- 44. Elizabeth: No
- 45. **Interviewer:** Are you involved in many social activities on or of campus?
- 46. Elizabeth: Mostly church activities.
- 47. **Interviewer:** Are there any other activities?
- 48. **Elizabeth:** Volunteering and working here.
- 49. **Interviewer:** What kind of volunteering?
- 50. **Elizabeth:** I volunteer four hours a week at the School of Architecture in their print room.
- 51. **Interviewer:** Do you do most of your favorite activities on campus?
- 52. **Elizabeth:** Gaming yes, but if I want to watch a movie that interest me I will go to a theatre.
- 53. **Interviewer:** You mentioned that you like to go drinking with friends.

- 54. **Elizabeth:** I do that with friend but not as often
- 55. **Interviewer:** What would be the process in planning to go drinking with friends?
- 56. **Elizabeth:** I would call them to see if they are interested.
- 57. **Interviewer:** You would call them the same day by phone?
- 58. Elizabeth: Yes
- 59. **Interviewer:** How many people would you call?
- 60. **Elizabeth:** Only a few friends, I am not a big party person.
- 61. **Interviewer:** I would probably call 6 people.
- 62. **Interviewer:** Would you leave a message or voice mail if they did not answer?
- 63. **Elizabeth:** Yes I would.
- 64. **Interviewer:** If you called three of your friends and they answered but the other three did not. Would you call them again or would you use some other means of communication?
- 65. **Elizabeth:** I would text them at that point because some people prefer not to pick up their phone. If I had to do this earlier in the day I would probably e-mail them.
- 66. **Interviewer:** What would be the first thing you would do in deciding to go drinking with friends?
- 67. **Elizabeth:** I would e-mail and call later.
- 68. **Interviewer:** If it was several hours before the event would you e-mail or call?
- 69. **Elizabeth:** I would call because they would not have enough time to respond to an e-mail.
- 70. **Interviewer:** Would you go drinking at a bar of someone's house?
- 71. **Elizabeth:** It depends. I am usually the designated driver chauffeuring people around so I don't get a chance to drink that much. It is a weird situation because I have a thing about my car. If strangers tag alone I don't care because that is a friend bringing a friend.
- 72. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did gaming with friends?
- 73. **Elizabeth:** One month ago with a rock banding function.
- 74. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 75. Elizabeth: 3
- 76. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was?
- 77. Elizabeth: My idea
- 78. **Interviewer:** How far n advance did you contact these people?
- 79. **Elizabeth:** A couple of days in advance but with the rock band person, it was the day the person was actually here. This was a face-to-face process.
- 80. **Interviewer:** Does this person live on campus or did this person have to come to campus?
- 81. **Elizabeth:** He had to come to campus.
- 82. **Interviewer:** Is he at another school or does he just work?
- 83. **Elizabeth:** He works at another university.
- 84. **Interviewer:** Did you play rock banding at someone's home or in the dorm?
- 85. **Elizabeth:** It was my set-up. When I asked my friend to come that is when we decided to play rock banding.
- 86. **Interviewer:** In what instance have you played with strangers?
- 87. **Elizabeth:** Just online.
- 88. **Interviewer:** What particular games do you play online?
- 89. **Elizabeth:** I play flash games.
- 90. **Interviewer:** Can you play with other people on that site?
- 91. Elizabeth: Yes
- 92. **Interviewer:** Is there any need to coordinate this activity?
- 93. Elizabeth: No
- 94. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you went movie watching with friends?
- 95. Elizabeth: A month ago
- 96. **Interviewer:** Do you recall how many of you were involved?
- 97. **Elizabeth:** 3
- 98. **Interviewer:** Do you recall whose idea it was to go to the movies?
- 99. **Elizabeth:** My roommate
- 100. **Interviewer:** How did she contact you about it?
- 101. **Elizabeth:** We talked about it face-to-face the same day.

- 102. **Interviewer:** How many hours in advance was this planned?
- 103. Elizabeth: At least several hours in advance.
- 104. **Interviewer:** Was there any means of communication used during this time period?
- 105. Elizabeth: Just face-to-face
- 106. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you did racing with friends?
- 107. Elizabeth: A year ago
- 108. **Interviewer:** How many people were involved?
- 109. Elizabeth: 3
- 110. **Interviewer:** Whose idea was it to go go-cart racing?
- 111. Elizabeth: It was my idea.
- 112. **Interviewer:** How far in advance did you contact your friends?
- 113. Elizabeth: Two months in advance
- 114. **Interviewer:** How did you contact your friend initially about the idea?
- 115. Elizabeth: Face-to-face
- 116. **Interviewer:** Was there any means of communication used within that two months period of time until the actual event in coordinating this event?
- 117. **Elizabeth:** Just calling, texting, and e-mailing information about the place.
- 118. **Interviewer:** Which means of communication was used most often?
- 119. Elizabeth: Calling
- 120. **Interviewer:** What were the phone calls mostly about concerning this event?
- 121. **Elizabeth:** It was questions and answer about what to do, safety issues, and other details because one person had never been go carting.
- 122. **Interviewer:** Was the nature of the calls in order to talk about go carting or friendly chatter and details about the trip later?
- 123. **Elizabeth:** It was friendly chatter and details about go carting when it came up on the conversation.
- 124. **Interviewer:** How often would you have a conversation about go carting?
- 125. Elizabeth: Once or twice a week
- 126. **Interviewer:** Under what circumstances was texting used?
- 127. **Elizabeth:** When my roommate was in a meeting or when she could not verbally speak I would use texting.
- 128. **Interviewer:** What kind of information was in the text?
- 129. Elizabeth: I was trying to get her excited about go carting because she was mostly scared.
- 130. **Interviewer:** As the date was approaching, for example the same week, what means of communication was used?
- 131. Elizabeth: Calling
- 132. **Interviewer:** Were the date, fees, and time discussed earlier or the same week?
- 133. **Elizabeth:** The date and time was established earlier. The fees were discussed later.
- 134. **Interviewer:** How many phone calls were made days before the event?
- 135. **Elizabeth:** Three to four calls were made discussing details.
- 136. **Interviewer:** Were there any complications or challenges involved in coordinating this event?
- 137. **Elizabeth:** Not really, it involved one person.
- 138. **Interviewer:** You mentioned that you would like to do weight lifting with friends.
- 139. **Elizabeth:** I used to work out a lot a long time ago. I started to do weight lifting but I couldn't find anyone to go with me.
- 140. **Interviewer:** You would ask people and they would decline or was it a matter of being to shy to ask?
- 141. **Elizabeth:** At the gym to shy to ask, beforehand with friends, they didn't' want to go to the gym with me.
- 142. **Interviewer:** Were you in school the times you did go to the gym?
- 143. **Elizabeth:** When I was commuting I went to the gym in my town.
- 144. **Interviewer:** How did you discover the gym in your town?
- 145. Elizabeth: I discovered the gym through advertisements and billboards around town.
- 146. **Interviewer:** Do you remember the first times you went to that gym?
- 147. Elizabeth: Yes, I was self- conscious.

- 148. **Interviewer:** Did you go by yourself or with friends?
- 149. Elizabeth: I went by myself.
- 150. Interviewer: Did you initially try to contact friends when you went to the gym for the first time?
- 151. **Elizabeth:** Once in a while I would contact friends if I wanted to go in the afternoon. If I went at 6:30 in the morning my friends would not come.
- 152. **Interviewer:** Is there any reason you chose 6:30 in the morning?
- 153. Elizabeth: It was a physical thing for me to keep me motivated throughout the day.
- 154. **Interviewer:** If you were to go weight lifting with friends, what would be the process involved?
- 155. **Elizabeth:** Basically, I would give them a call. I would go even if they could not attend.
- 156. **Interviewer:** Would you call the same day or in advance?
- 157. Elizabeth: I would call the day before going.
- 158. **Interviewer:** How many friends would you invite?
- 159. **Elizabeth:** I would invite just one person because of the guest restrictions.
- 160. **Interviewer:** When was the last time you were at church with friends?
- 161. Elizabeth: Yesterday
- 162. **Interviewer:** Is this a regular occurrence?
- 163. Elizabeth: Yes, three times a week because I have to go to chorus practice.
- 164. **Interviewer:** Is there any means of communication used to coordinate the regular occurrence of church events?
- 165. **Elizabeth:** It is assumed that you will be there at certain times. I am the driver so I pick up one person.
- 166. **Interviewer:** Do you use any means of communication in advance?
- 167. **Elizabeth:** I would call to remind them of the floor in the parking area.
- 168. **Interviewer:** How far in advance is that usually?
- 169. Elizabeth: At least 2 hours in advance.
- 170. **Interviewer:** Do you use texting?
- 171. **Elizabeth:** Just one text because I do not want to use up my texting because I only have a limited number.
- 172. **Interviewer:** In what situations would you use your text?
- 173. **Elizabeth:** Generally, if people are in class or at work during the day and they are too busy to pick up the phone, I will use texting.

#### APPENDIX C

### RECRUITMENT FLYER

# Interview Subjects Needed

\$20 for 1 hour

A Master's degree student wants to interview you on how you coordinate your favorite activities with friends and with strangers.

# 1 interview, 1 hour, \$20

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