

NORTH STAR 3e Level 5

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Video Activity Worksheet

Unit 7: Business

They'll Be Watching You

Comprehension

Predict

This video is about the world of high-tech surveillance in the workplace and the heated debate that surrounds it. Before you watch the video, answer the following question.

What are some examples of high-tech surveillance?

Focus

Watch the video. Find the answer to the following question.

What rights to privacy does an employee have? Explain.

Comprehension A

Choose True or False. Circle T or F.

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| 1. Surveillance technology can record everything visually or through audio. | T | F |
| 2. Most small companies use electronic surveillance. | T | F |
| 3. Employers are not obligated to tell employees that they are being watched at work. | T | F |
| 4. Employers have the right to monitor suspicious employees outside of work. | T | F |

Comprehension B

Answer the questions.

1. How does Al Schweitzer feel about workplace surveillance? What reason does he give?

2. How does Lewis Maltby feel about workplace surveillance? What reason does he give?



Speaking

Choose one of the topics. Record and submit a one-to-two-minute response.

- How would you feel if you knew you were being watched at work? What kinds of behavior would you change? Would you feel more motivated to do a good job?
- If you were the owner or manager of a company, would you monitor your employees? Why or why not? If yes, in which ways would you monitor them?
- In the video, one man states that because of hidden surveillance, “No one’s safe in the workplace.” What does he mean by this? What is the irony in the statement?

Writing

Some people think that surveillance for the sake of security has gone too far. At work, in airports, and other public spaces, people feel they have lost the right to privacy. Others feel surveillance is a small price to pay for a secure society. Write about the pros and cons of surveillance technology. Conclude by giving your own opinion.

