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QUALITY EDUCATION**



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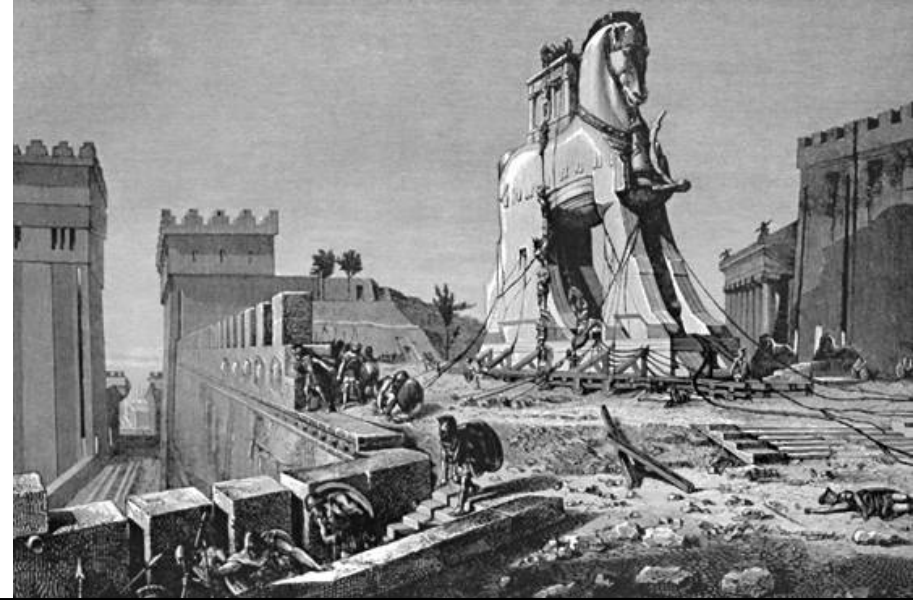
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eLearning in Open Learning









St. Paul's Cathedral, London



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Postal systems



SHORT COURSE



PITMAN'S
SHORTHAND

Isaac Pitman



Scanned at the American
Institute of Physics



Radio

Film



Television

Computer





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There is no magic
educational
medium

(and never will be)

“The world is caught in a communications revolution, the effects of which will go beyond those of the industrial revolution of two centuries ago. Then the great advance was the invention of machines to multiply the potency of men's muscles. Now the great new advance is the invention of machines to multiply the potency of men's minds. As the steam engine was to the first revolution, so the computer is to the second.”

Lord Geoffrey Crowther, 1969



The Open University

What is eLearning?



“a general term that relates to all training that is delivered with the assistance of a computer”

What is eLearning?

Evolving

Everywhere

Enhanced

Extended

“a learning environment supported by continuously evolving, collaborative processes, focused on increasing individual and organisational performance”

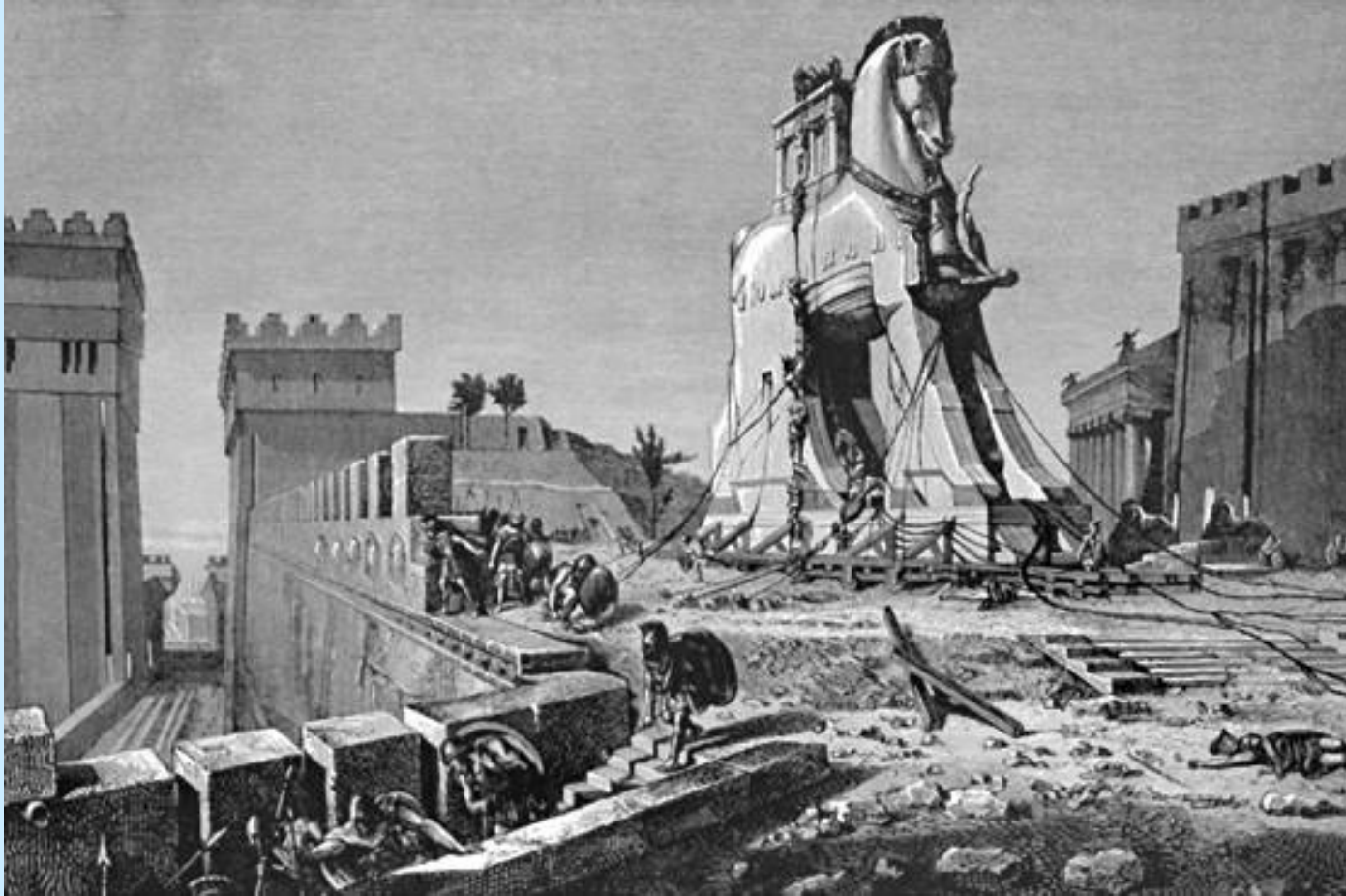
What is eLearning?

“a sexier term for distance learning”



“something that is immune from criticism, often unreasonably so”

Sacred Cow



“a subversive device placed within
enemy ranks”

Trojan Horse

1. Not a subversive device:
*no fundamental rethinking of
pedagogy*

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no fundamental rethinking of pedagogy
2. Campus not distance

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3. A stowaway on board:
Digital Rights Management

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“One that is made to bear the
blame of others”

Scapegoat





“scattering
brightly-
coloured
eggs as
she goes”

Easter Bunny

1. Access to resources

1. Access to resources
2. Speeds up communication

1. Access to resources
2. Speeds up communication
3. A Global Intellectual Commons
Open Educational Resources

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

1. Wheels not re-invented
2. Materials cost lowered
3. Free/open content



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“to allow the small states to work collectively to master the eWorld and bridge the digital divide”



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“The collaborative development of
Open Education Resources
is the foundation of its work”

THANK YOU



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