5 E-learning Rumours to Disregard Immediately.

I remember seeing a Tweet that says: "To start an online course is human, but to finish is divine." It made me laugh, but it also made me feel like I wouldn't ever be able to finish any of the courses I had started at the time. Today, I have numerous certifications from online courses and I haven't developed any wings. I'm still very human.

People often make quick judgement with little knowledge, and others are quicker believe. Rumours spread like wild fire, and in no time, the truth becomes the fable and the fable, the truth. Let's right a few wrongs. The following are five e-learning rumours you should immediately disregard:

1. Tutors are not industry experts: This is mostly false. Most of the tutors on quality online platforms like Coursera, Edx, Skillshare, Shaw Academy, and Gaxut are people who have many years of vast experience in their field, and successes on various levels. To satisfy your curiosity and clear your doubts, you can always look up the tutors online, and stick to platforms that have good repute.

2. Bad user interface: Inasmuch as we all have personal tastes, I think we can all recognize a bad design when we see one. Nonetheless, I advise you visit any of these platforms at your convenience before passing judgement, and stick with the ones whose interface is most convenient for your use. I personally prefer Coursera and Gaxut.

3. Poor course content and organization: I speak from personal experience when I say that most online courses have better course organization and detail than classroom-learnt courses. There's a step by step breakdown and dissemination of knowledge that makes the information so simplified and easy to grasp. Not to mention, there are, in most cases, quizzes during and after the lectures along with assignments at the end of each week.

4. Poor customer service: I understand where this might be coming from. There are often delayed replies from the representatives, and sometimes none at all. The best way to get quick replies are to keep your request or question short, and your message clear. Also, you should go through FAQs first, as already answered questions may get late responses.

5. Outdated information: Most online platforms offer emerging skills in science, arts and technology. Skills that were absent or obsolete in the last decades. How then can you call them outdated information?

CONCLUSION

Inasmuch as most of these platform are guiltless of these accusations, there are some culprits. Which is why it is important to pick out the right places to start your online learning journey. Don't let these rumours stop you, but don't be blind to them either.