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ISS-Home Inspector Training (Program)

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SYLLABUS: ISS999 - Home Inspector Training Program
Full program fee is \$999 (individual courses may be taken) Register at: <http://www.inspectsupport.com/education.htm>

Program Overview
 The ISS - Home Inspector Training Program is based on a combination of practical experience and knowledge shared by three veteran home inspection professionals. The course instructors have been instrumental in providing ongoing college level training and mentoring for those looking at entering the home inspection field for well over 10 years, and with one instructor previously employed for over 25 years as a college professor in the School of Engineering Technologies and Architecture Program Coordinator.

The courses in the program are established college level courses and have been mapped to the National Occupational Standards for Home Inspectors in Canada. The courses have been modularized into weekly units of study that will help you acquire both the general and technical knowledge to perform this vital service to consumers for a home inspection.

The program is offered mainly on a "web-based platform" and provides both an introductory overview of the home inspection field (ISS100) as well as a greater depth of detailed study in the more advanced courses that focus on the major systems of residential construction. In addition to the accessing the courses online, participants will be required to spend approximately 3 to 4 hours or possibly more per week in "mandatory" interactive sessions offering "direct instruction" with the course instructor via pre-arranged Skype based webinars.

Course in the ISS - Home Inspector Training Program
 The following courses are offered in our program of study. Direct Instruction noted (*# #)
 • ISS100 - Intro to Home Inspections - 40 hours (*15)
 • ISS101 - Plumbing - 80 hours (*28)
 • ISS102 - Electrical - 80 Hours (*28)
 • ISS103 - HVAC - 80 hours (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning) (*28)
 • ISS104 - Structures - 80 Hours (Canadian Wood Frame House Construction) (*28)
 • ISS105 - Building Science - 80 Hours (Dynamics of the Building Envelope) (*28)
 • ISS106 - Reporting & Ethics - 40 hours (*15)

The total training hours equates to 480 hours of which *170 hours are dedicated and delivered through Skype webinar setting.

[Intro & Welcome](#)
 Document provides information "Getting Started" for the course.

[Syllabus: ISS999 - ISS-Home Inspector Training Program](#)
 This program is designed with a series of 7 courses that will assist students in combining essential technical home inspection theory with the everyday understanding of the home inspection and reporting process. The courses are specifically targeted at the major areas of each system and various components that provides the necessary knowledge

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CALENDAR
 September 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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Available courses

Intro to Home Inspection

Home Inspections began in the early 1970's as a consumer service in direct response to the growing demand for learning about the condition of a house prior to purchase. This course is an introduction to how the Home Inspection field is organized, the different areas of expertise required to conduct a successful Home Inspection, including plumbing, electrical and heating systems, residential construction, inspection techniques, report writing and the Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics.

Plumbing

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS
 An introduction to residential plumbing systems, including common terms and definitions, residential materials, material evolution, plumbing fixtures, faucets, hot water tanks, water distribution systems, drain waste and vent systems, septic tank systems, water wells and water well pumps. The advantages, disadvantages and common failures of the above shall be examined. Key inspection points are included.

Pre-requisite: ISS100- Intro to Home Inspection

Electrical

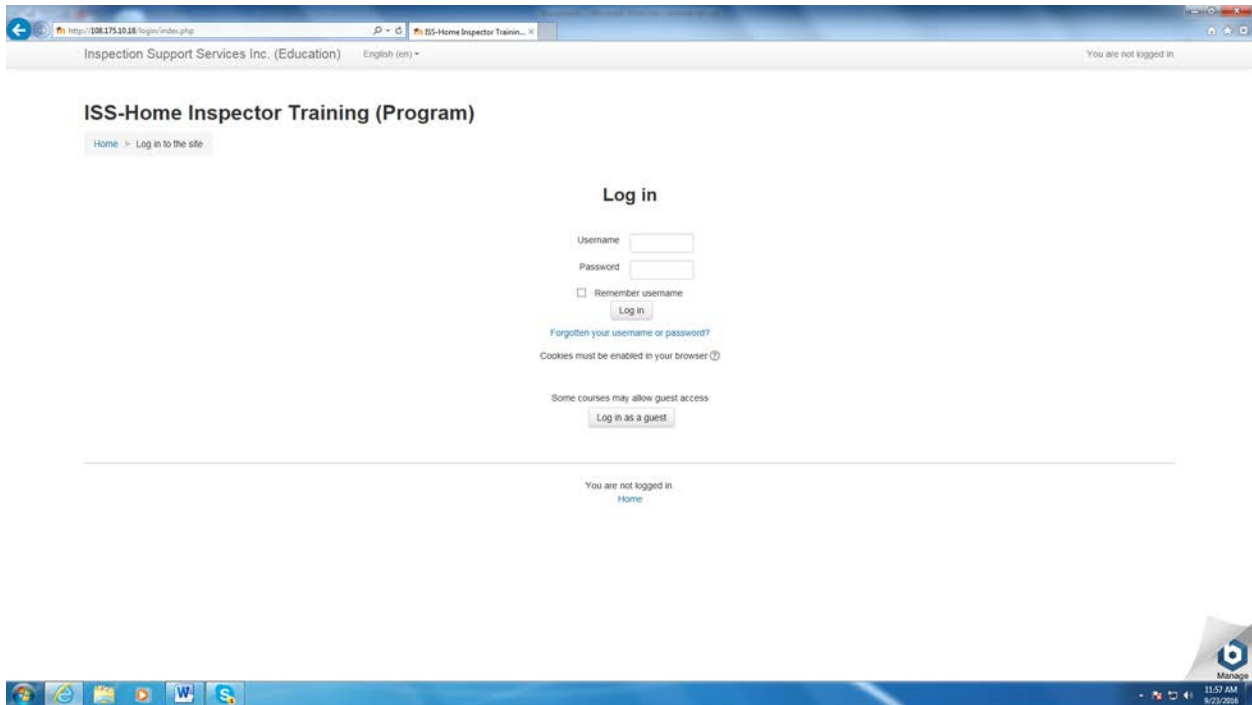
INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS
 This course provides an overview of electrical terms, materials and systems as they apply to residential dwellings. Emphasis will be placed on the identification of proper installation techniques, including the application of the appropriate code. Identifying incorrect installations, significant defects and making recommendations to resolve the problem (s) is included.

Pre-requisite: ISS100- Intro to Home Inspection

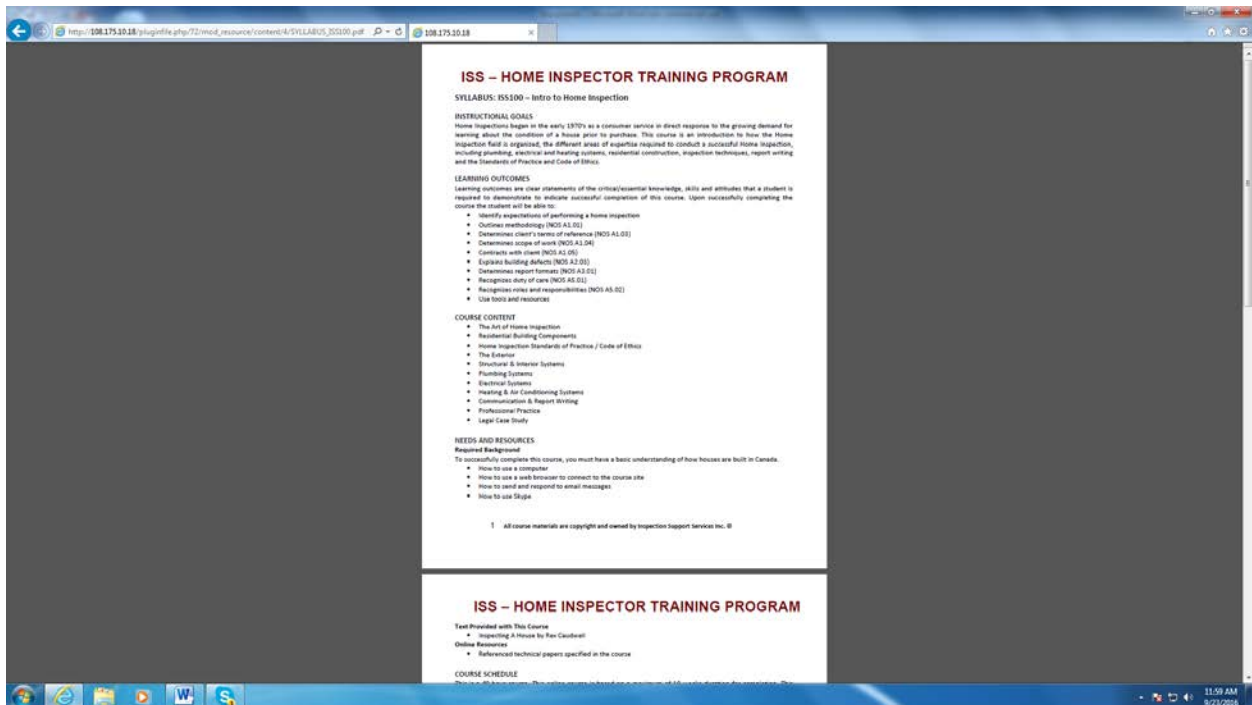
HVAC

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS
 The course focuses on mechanical equipment. It provides current information on gas, oil, electric heating systems, including wood burning appliances. It also discusses both space and hot water heating for

List courses available



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Sample Syllabus (partial document)

Final Exam:
The final course exam must be completed within 3 weeks of the scheduled course completion date. All exams for online courses must be independently proctored*. (Refer to the Proctoring Document available on the "Program" website.)

Course Copyright:
All course materials students receive or have access to are protected by Copyright Laws. Students may use these materials strictly for their training, but any type of unauthorized distribution and/or transfer is prohibited.

Disclaimer:
Please note that the specifics of this course may be modified from time to time, due to changes. While every effort is made by the instructor to cover all content material listed in this outline, the order, content and/or evaluation may change as a result of special circumstances (e.g. technology/equipment problems and/or changes, etc.). In any such case, every effort will be made to make appropriate adjustments to the course delivery. These include reference to web links or changes due to updates within the home inspection sector. Students will be advised by email directly when and if changes do occur.

Schedule of Topics, Readings & Direct Instruction Webinars
This schedule provides an outline of the main topics for this course and during which week they will be addressed. Characteristics of the webinars can vary in a number of different types of formats such as discussions, lectures, presentations and question and answer style deliveries. Direct Instruction hours are noted (Hours) below.

ISS100 Intro (15 hours of webinar based delivery – Intro Level)

Week	Topic	Reference Module	Hours
1	Intro	Overview	2
2	Residential Building Components		
3	Home Inspection Standards (SOP)	Week 2/3 notes	3
4	The Exterior		
5	Structural & Interior Systems	Week4/5 notes	3
6	Plumbing Systems		
7	Electrical Systems	Week 6/7 notes	3
8	Heating & Air Conditioning		
9	Communication & Reports	Week 8/9 notes	2
10	Prof. Practices & Exam Prep	Summary Review	2
		*TOTAL Direct Instruction	15

NOTE:

- ISS100 provides an introductory overview of home inspections.
- Although the Direct Instruction hours appear to be directed at the topic of that week, it also includes

Course Schedule & Webinars

INTRODUCTION TO HOME INSPECTIONS

MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION

OVERVIEW

A home inspection is an art that couples knowledge of house construction with providing a technical building report and communicating the information to a client. There is much information about the role of the home inspector and the detail of work that is included in conducting a home inspection.

In this module we will answer a number of questions that background these issues as well as discuss questions you may have that need answers.

THE ART OF HOME INSPECTION

Picture if you can the following scenario, a home inspector ready to perform their first home inspection. Or maybe a skilled tradesperson that is simply offering advice to their family member or friend on the potential purchase of a home.

- What knowledge does it take to become a home inspector?
- Can anyone perform the required skills to complete it successfully?
- Are there standards for the performance of a home inspection?
- How is success measured in the home inspection field?

These are but a few questions that arise about the field of home inspection. A home inspection has a huge impact on a number of people involved in the process of home buying and selling. Who are these people, and more directly what is the impact, but equally as important how does it affect the home inspector?

This course is designed as an introductory level course that encompasses 40 hours plus of coursework to provide participants with a better understanding of the home inspection. It will include discussions, and quizzes and a course exam to validate mastery of the learning. This course will also offer participants an opportunity to take advance level courses that will focus on a more in depth look at the house systems or as it is often amalgamated into the "house as a system".

A "home inspector" is defined as a systematic review of a house for the purpose of identifying significant defects, life and safety concerns and identifies those systems or components that are near the end of their service lives. Home inspections are intended to provide the client with objective information regarding the condition of the systems and components of the home as inspected at the time of the home inspection.

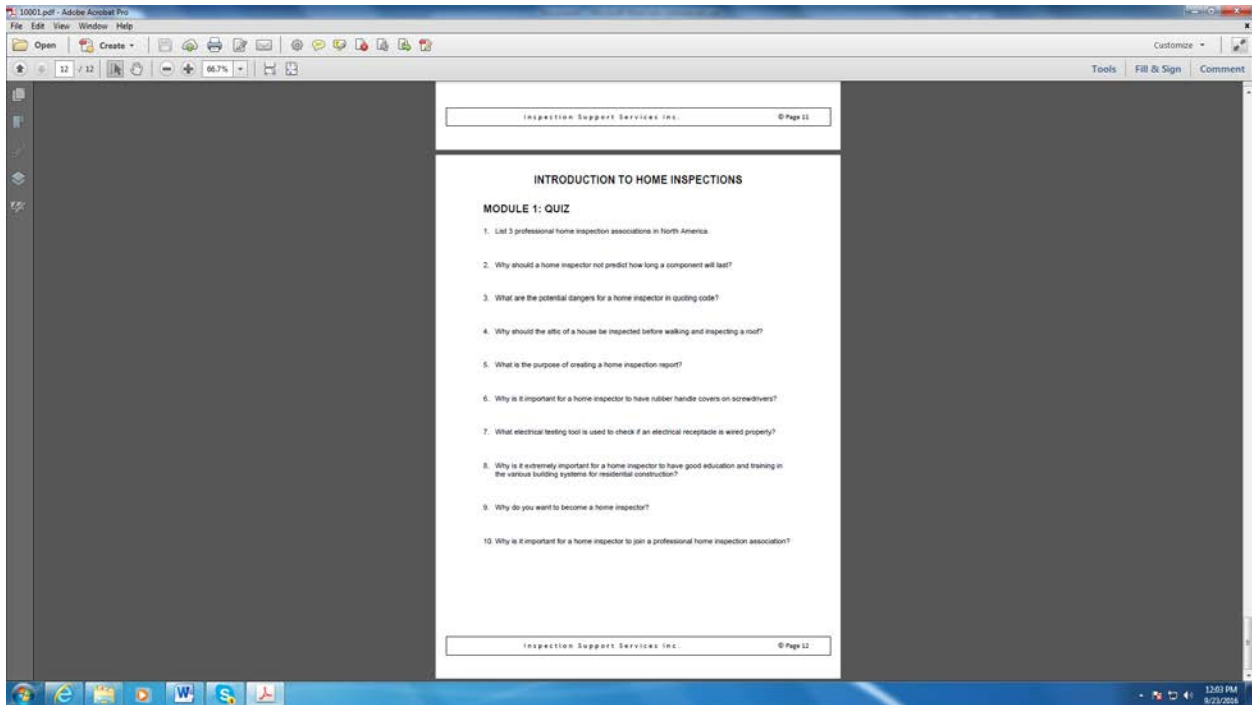
In addition, the home inspector provides an inspection report that makes recommendations to correct, or monitor for future correction the deficiencies that were visually inspected, readily accessible, along with those items needing further evaluation.

INTRODUCTION TO HOME INSPECTIONS

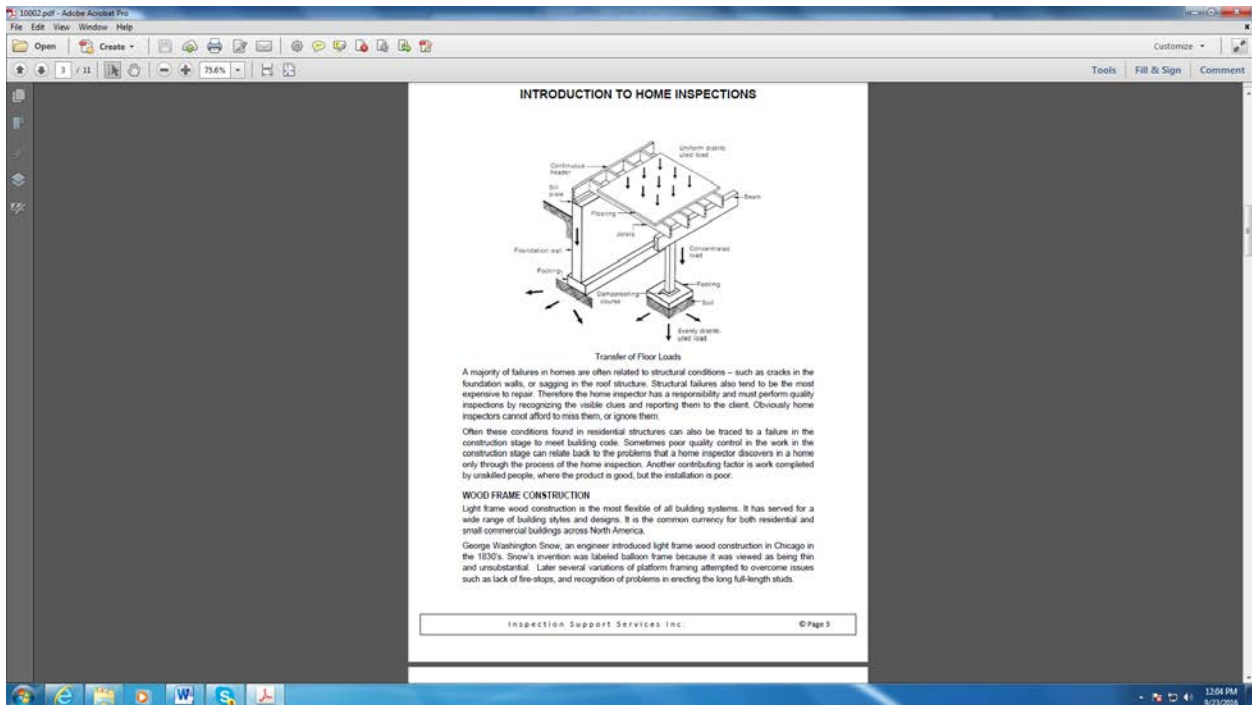
Typically a house can be viewed to contain the following building systems:

- Exterior or outer building shell – such as wall covering, roofs, windows and doors

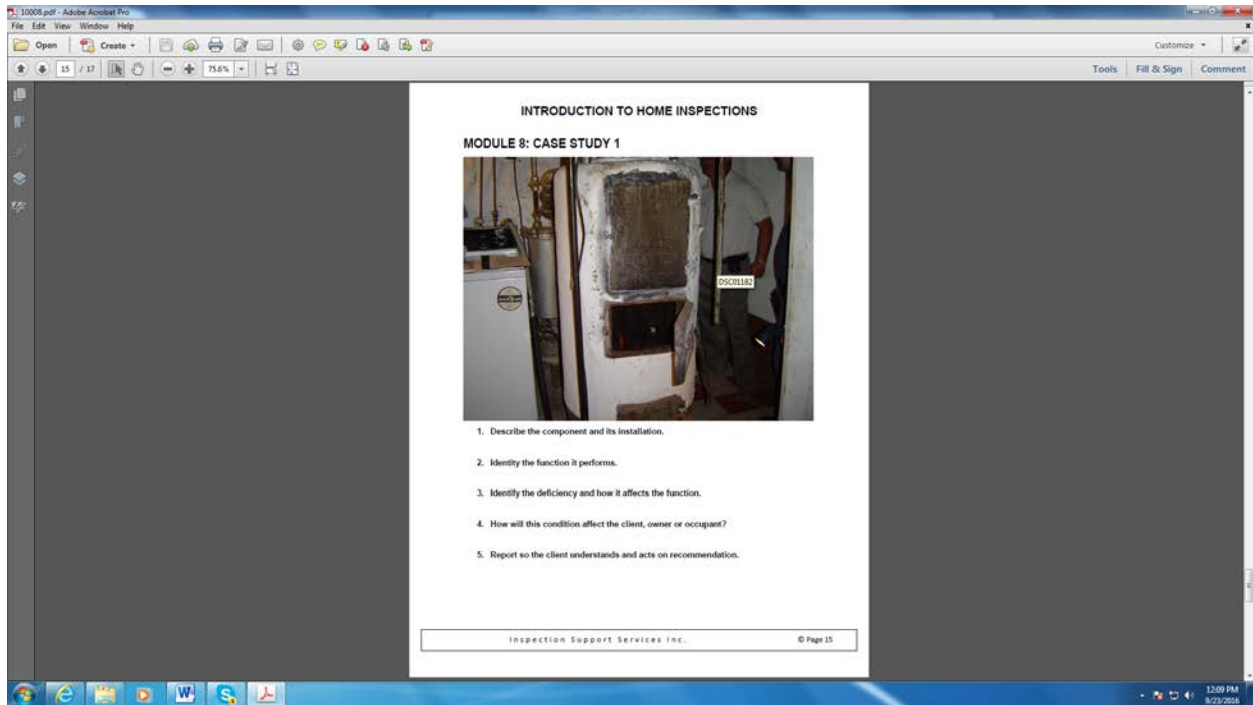
Sample Course Module (Partial Document)



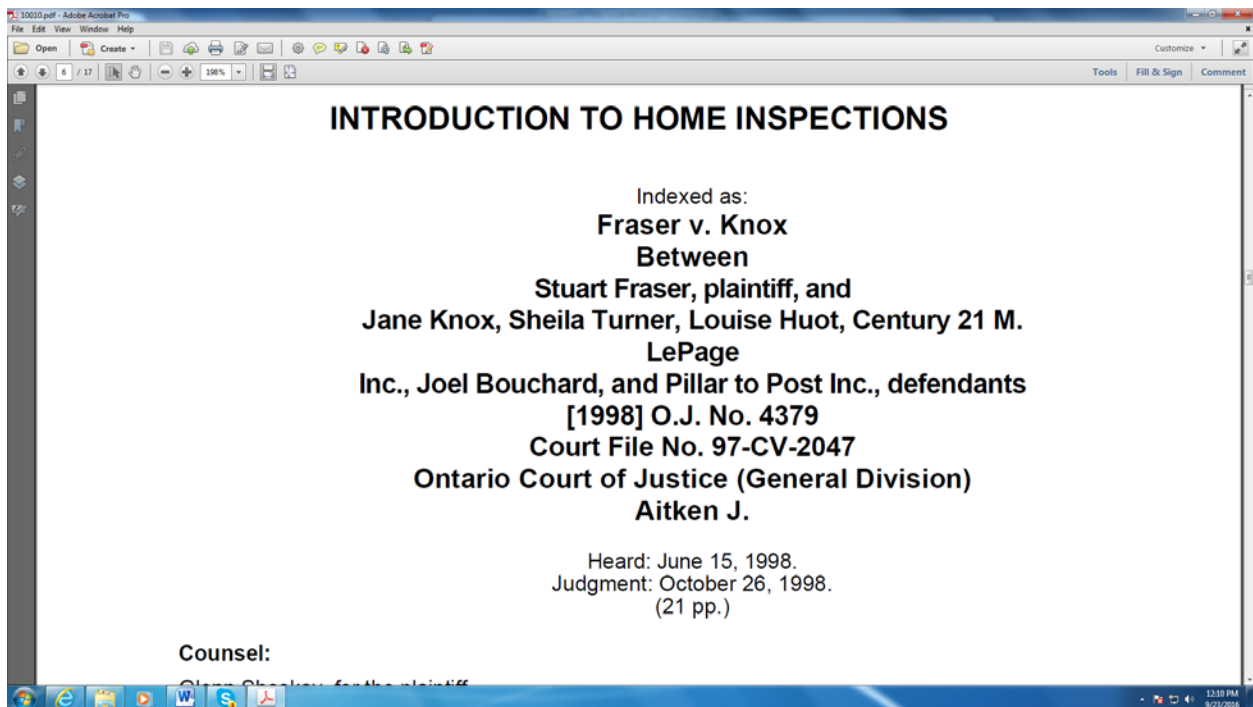
Sample Module Quiz



Sample of Graphic Images



Sample Case Study (Defect Recognition)



Sample Legal Case Study