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I am sure we have all been overwhelmed with the PC-Mac wars, but what is all the fuss about? Let me tell you, I have been an avid PC user for the past 10 years or so, and have even started to make a little money on the side using all the knowledge I have retained from all those Microsoft classes. Computer repair is something that I enjoy, and something that I will continue to enjoy, but the thought of me giving the Mac a whirl never dawned on me.

I found myself looking at various laptops in the AAFES. I skipped the Mac's like always and began to look at the Vista based PC's. I am not sure what I was thinking, but I decided to see what the Mac had to offer (I quickly skipped the PC's - unusual for me). Mac's can be a little pricey, but I was ready to give them a shot. The cheapest Mac book was at a massive \$999. This is fairly expensive compared to the lower end Laptops that HP and Acer manufacture. In the end I found myself sitting in my room with a Mac book that I have never used before or knew very little about. What a surprise I was in for.

Up until this point, I have always been pro Microsoft. To this day I don't find anything wrong with Microsoft, it's just that I am wondering why I waited so long to experience something new. I think this is society's problem. We are all too worried about change. If you know something, why learn something else? That is the methodology that many American's live by, but every American should know that the incentives could potentially outweigh living as a person refusing change. The truth of the matter is that a Macintosh is very simple to use (very user friendly), easy to learn, and in my opinion runs much smoother than previous Microsoft platforms. The Mac runs on the Leopard Operating System, and does not demand the resources that Microsoft's Vista requires (if you own a Mac you probably have no more than 2 GB's of RAM and are happy with it). I remember asking the clerk why the Mac book only came with 2 GB of RAM. Now I know why. This type of computer does not run inane services in the background thus giving the user a clean and smooth experience. The applications are a whole other story that I will save for another time. To be short, applications will give you the ability to turn your Mac into a personal assistant. There are thousands of applications that are available, and to me these help simplify life.

I would never imagine something like a Mac. I took pride in being pro Microsoft/anti Apple in the past, but now I feel as though I am one in a thousand that will actually take the plunge. Do yourself a favor and experience something new. I am not endorsing Apple in any way shape or form; I am simply stating my opinion. I look forward to exploring deeper into the Mac realm, so that I will someday be able to understand the operating system the way I understand Microsoft's. So far so good for Mac; two thumbs up!

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