The internet is both a blessing and a curse. Your students may need some guidance on identifying proper sources and unreliable sources. Many campuses have writing centers that can help with this.

6. Lesson planning can become more labor intensive with technology.

Yes, for some. It can seem overwhelming to adapt technology into your classroom. In many ways though, using technology can become as natural to you as any daily activity. Allow yourself time to learn how to use something. Chances are your students will learn it even faster than you since they've grown up surrounded by technology.

I encourage you to try something new with technology next term. At the same time, I also understand that technology has its pros and cons, and that adopting technology in the classroom is something that professors and teachers are comfortable with on different levels and to different extents. It can be frustrating and it can be time-consuming. But it can also open doors to new experiences, new ways of learning and collaborating, and new discoveries in the classroom. Give it a shot and see what you can learn as well!

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