

This **comprehensive** digital literacy curriculum is packed with **118 teacher-led lessons** plus hands-on student activities. Teachers get **lesson plans, slides + original videos, student packets, online forms, plus full support**. Continuously-updated lessons are scaffolded to help students **make sense of a complex digital world**. Curriculum is aligned with key **educational standards**, plus it's a hoot to teach!



DIGITAL LITERACY CURRICULUM FOR GRADES 4-8



Digital On-Ramps

Recommended for 4th-5th Grades

The social-emotional skills students need most online.

Unit 1: What Is a Value?

- What Are Your Values?
- Values Guide You Online
- The Value of Kindness
- Showing Kindness Online
- The Value of Self-Discipline
- Practicing Self-Discipline Online
- The Value of Tact
- Showing Tact Online
- The Value of Mindfulness
- Practicing Mindfulness Online
- The Value of Responsibility
- Being Responsible Online
- The Value of Cooperation
- Learning to Cooperate Online

Unit 2: Getting Ready To Take Flight

- A Short History of the Internet
- How The Internet Works
- What Does It Mean To Be "Online"?
- Let's Get Ready To Search
- Going Through Your Search Results
- Taking Care of Your Devices
- Finding Just The Right Balance

Unit 3: Are You Really Ready?

- Having an Online Presence
- Think Before You Post
- Asking For and Giving Consent
- Communicating Online
- Managing Your Emotions
- Managing Your Emotions Online
- Is It True? Or Not?
- Understanding Another's Perspective
- Keeping Safe While Browsing
- Keeping Safe From Scams
- Keeping Safe From Strangers
- Opening Your First Account
- A Word About Passwords
- Are You Really Ready?



Digital Citizenship

Recommended for 6th Grade

The safe and responsible use of digital tools.

Tech Prep Lesson

Unit 1: Becoming a De-'Tech'-Tive

- De-'Tech'-Tive Work
- Investigating Today's Tools
- How Much Do You Know?

Unit 2: Citizenship

- The Five Principles of Citizenship
- How To Be a Good Citizen Online
- Designing a Positive Online Community

Unit 3: Your Digital Reputation

- Digital Background Check
- To Share Or Not To Share?
- Your Digital Billboard

Unit 4: Ethical Thinking

- Ethical Thinking in Digital Spaces
- Email Etiquette
- Texting & Video Conferencing Etiquette
- Commenting Respectfully
- Creating a Code of Conduct

Unit 5: Cyberbullying & Digital Drama

- Hiding Behind a Screen
- Real People, Real Feelings
- What is Cyberbullying? Digital Drama?
- Be Upstanding
- What if You're The Target?

Unit 6: Identity & Privacy

- Who Am I Online?
- You Are The Words You Use
- My Self, My Selfie
- You, In Six Words
- A-Okay or No Way
- Digital Citizenship in Review



Information Literacy

Recommended for 7th Grade

How to find, retrieve, analyze, and use online information.

Optional Tech Prep

- Safe & Responsible Use of Tech

Unit 1: Learning Balance

- Your Time
- Your Time, Part 2

Unit 2: Online Safety

- Online Safety 101
- Common Online Threats

Unit 3: Searching the Web

- Elements of a Web Search
- How Does Search Work?
- Constructing a Search Query
- Anatomy of a Results Page
- What About Wikipedia?
- Why Can't I Cut & Paste?

Unit 4: AI & Research

- Algorithms Are Everywhere!
- What's Artificial Intelligence?
- Using Generative AI Responsibly

Unit 5: Your Personal Information

- Who's Watching You?
- Privacy Policies: Who Reads Them?
- Understanding Terms of Use
- Algorithms are Awesome. Or Are They?
- Help! I'm Trapped in a Filter Bubble
- What Makes a Password Great?
- What Would You Collect?

Unit 6: Copyright | Public Domain | Fair Use

- What Is Copyright?
- Why Copyright Matters
- Sharing Your Creative Work
- Public Domain and Fair Use
- Living in a Remix World
- The Future of Creativity: AI & Art



Media Literacy

Recommended for 8th Grade

Using critical thinking skills to analyze media messages.

Unit 1: It's a Participatory Culture

- Are You a Maker or a Taker?
- The Multitasking Myth
- Your Brain on Tech

Unit 2: Calling On Critical Thinking

- Analyzing Online Info, Part 1
- Analyzing Online Info, Part 2

Unit 3: Misinformation

- What's News?
- Understanding "Fake News"
- Don't Click on the Bait!
- What's AI Got To Do With News?
- Simon Says It's Fake

Unit 4: Stereotypes & Media Representation

- Seeing Stereotypes
- Don't Label Me!
- The Ad Who Knows You

Unit 5: Visual Literacy

- Before There Was Photoshop
- Every Picture Tells a Story
- Don't Let That Photo Fool You
- When Facetune Goes Too Far
- Food Takes Center Stage

Unit 6 : Sext Education

- Sexting
- Revenge Porn
- Sextortion and AI

Unit 7: The Power is in Your Hands

- The Power of Participation
- How Will You Participate?
- Making Technology Accessible
- Are You a Maker or Taker Now?

Extra Unit: Research Skills Review