Online Basics: Digital Lifestyle
Explained by Common Craft

Part of becoming more digitally literate is adopting a digital lifestyle. That means using computers, devices and the internet to communicate and create. This video explains the basics of living a digital lifestyle.

Learning Outcomes

- Define the terms Digital Lifestyle and Digital Community
- Think about your digital lifestyle. What digital communities are you a part of? What social media sites do you participate in? In what ways have these online sites improved your life? Are there any drawbacks you’ve found to using them?
- What alternatives are there to the digital communities you belong to?

Discussion Questions

Q #1
Would you prefer to a lifestyle with the internet or without? Explain your reasoning.

Q #2
For scholarly journal articles, what are the advantages and disadvantages of the peer review process?

Q #3
In which situations would you use or not use a peer-reviewed journal for a research project?
Knowledge Check Q&A

Q  What is a digital lifestyle?
A  It is a lifestyle that takes advantage of computers, smartphones, and the internet.

Q  What are three key components to an individual’s digital lifestyle?
A  1) Online identity 2) Social networking 3) Social media

Q  What is a digital community?
A  It is a community of people, activities, and opportunities connected together by communication through the internet.

Resources for Learning More

Techopedia
Digital Identity
https://www.techopedia.com/definition/23915/digital-identity

Lifewire
Top social networking sites people are using
https://www.lifewire.com/top-social-networking-sites-people-are-using-3486554

TedTalks
Social Media: Video playlists about social media
https://www.ted.com/topics/social-media

New York Times
Room for debate: Is digital connectedness good or bad for people? November 28, 2016