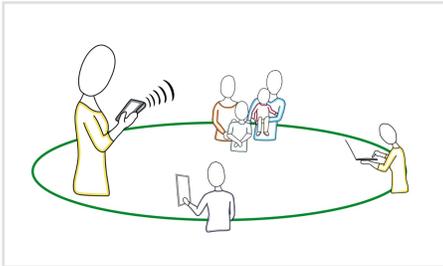


## Lesson Plan

This lesson plan is designed to help you teach using a Common Craft video. Use the information below to introduce the video and then follow the video with discussion questions and other resources.



[commoncraft.com/video/online-basics-digital-lifestyle](https://commoncraft.com/video/online-basics-digital-lifestyle)

**ISTE Standard:**  
**Global Collaborator 7a**

**ACRL Info Literacy Frame:**  
**Information has Value**

# 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

<https://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2016/11/28/is-digital-connectedness-good-or-bad-people>