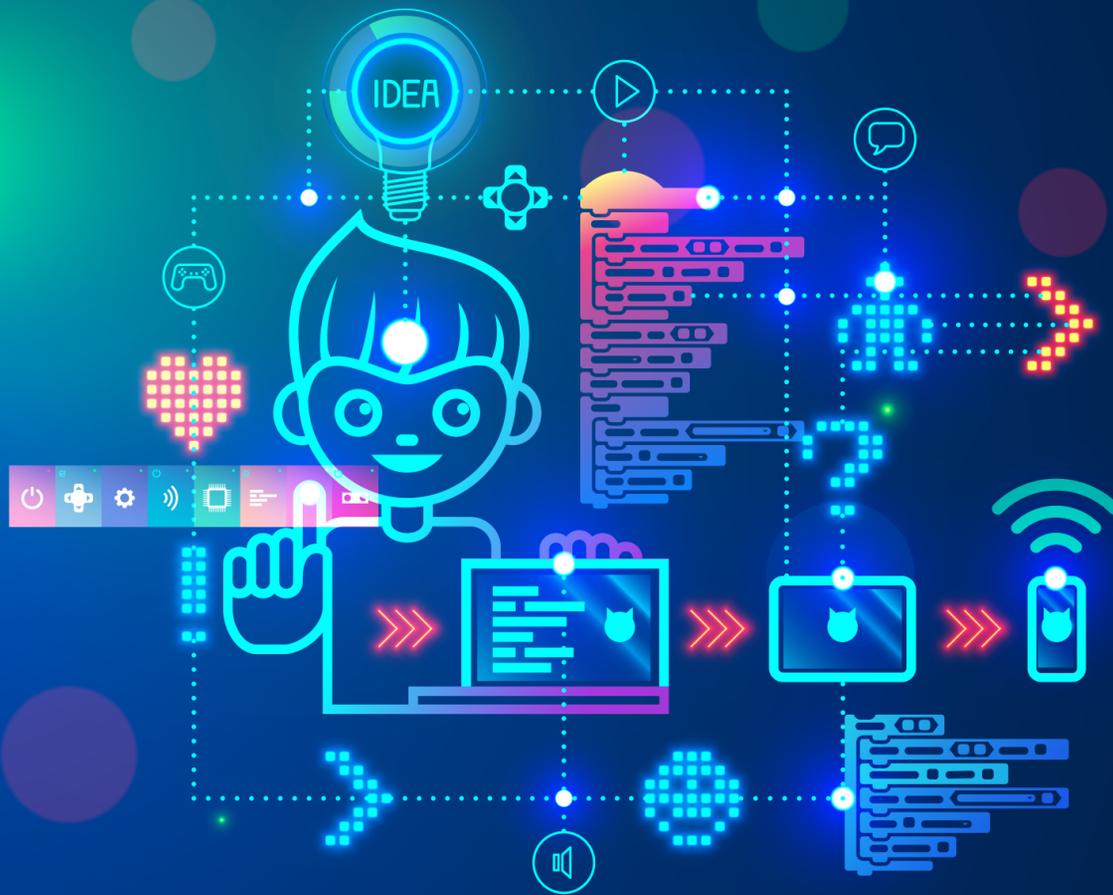


Digital Citizenship Resources for kids and parents



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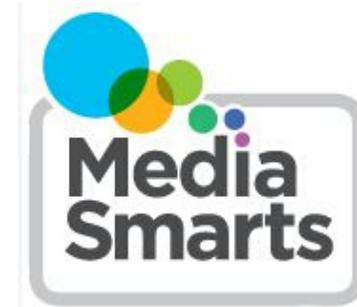
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These are some great online resources for kids, parents, and educators about digital citizenship and engaging with the digital world. They are all free of charge.

common sense education

Common Sense Education is an organization created mostly for parents and educators to help kids develop the skills critical in engaging with the digital world, including information on privacy and communication. You can sign up for access to free lessons that include activities; however, resource sheets, tip sheets, and videos are available without needing to sign up. Right now, they have created a special section of their website regarding resources specifically for the Coronavirus pandemic. Common Sense Education has also made their resources available in Spanish.

<https://www.commonsense.org/education/>



Media Smarts is a Canadian organization that develops digital and media literacy programs and resources for kids, parents, and educators. They emphasise the importance of developing critical thinking skills about the many issues surrounding the digital world and media. The website has information about many important topics, like Internet safety and cyberbullying, and includes resources like tip sheets and tutorials. Media Smarts also has several games designed to teach these skills in an engaging way.

<https://mediasmarts.ca/>

Be Internet Awesome.

Be Internet Awesome is an initiative created by Google to teach kids about digital citizenship and the skills they need to explore the Internet with confidence and safety. Google has created the game Interland as a further way to engage kids. For parents and educators, there are several lessons and resources to help with educating your kids and yourselves.

https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/

https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/interland



Social Media Test Drive is a website of modules designed to give kids information about digital literacy skills in a simulated social media setting – as they describe it, like a car simulation test to learn driving skills. Some of the topics they cover are social media privacy, healthy social media habits, and how to respond to cyberbullying.

<https://socialmediatestdrive.org/index.html>



GCFGlobal has easy-to-follow tutorials for several essential skills, both related to the digital world and other core skills like grammar and math. Their resources are also available in Spanish and Portuguese.

<https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/>



Get Cyber Safe is a website created by the Government of Canada with information on how to protect yourself and your family online. This information covers a wide range of topics: email security, online gaming and entertainment, and online banking, to name a few. They likewise have a section for resources that includes a section on reporting incidents. If you own a business, Get Cyber Safe has a specific section for information on how to keep that protected.

<https://www.getcybersafe.gc.ca/index-en.aspx>



NSTeens is a website designed for teaching teens and younger kids about making safer choices online. These lessons are taught through animated videos, short films, games, and interactive comics. There are also further resources for educators.

<https://www.nsteens.org/>



DigitalLearn has several courses on the fundamentals of digital literacy, including topics like introduction to email and basic Internet searching. You are able to download the lesson slides and accompanying handouts. Their resources are also available in Spanish.

<https://www.digitallearn.org/>