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Fostering Digital Citizenship
Learning Agenda

By the end of our activity, you will be able to:

• Understand digital citizenship and information literacy in order to explain these concepts to your own students

• Locate and use EBSCO’s Primary Search database in order to discover materials for your own lessons

• Create lesson plans using information literacy and research skills in order to integrate Common Core State Standards into your classes
What is information literacy?

https://padlet.com/anminter/ISTC301501
Common Core State Standards and the Framework for 21st Century Skills

Shared Areas of Alignment:
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- Core Subjects/Content Knowledge
- Communication/Comprehension/Critique
- Information Literacy/Value Evidence
- Self-direction/Independence
- Global Awareness/Perspectives and Cultures
- Information, Media, and Technology Skills
Your *Own* Research Experience

In your research classes you learned to:

• Find reputable sources
• Evaluate materials
• Avoid plagiarism
• Apply citation styles
• Share information
Share Your Experience

As a teacher, you help students... through the creation of information literacy and digital citizenship activities and lesson plans.

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Scholarship as Conversation

Research in scholarly and professional fields is a discursive practice in which ideas are formulated, debated, and weighed against one another over extended periods of time.

Experts understand that a given issue may be characterized by several competing perspectives.

Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education
Today’s Class Activity

• Break into groups
  • Elementary
  • Middle
  • Secondary

• Pick a grade and curriculum topic

• Use Common Sense Media & MD Common Core
  • Create an integrated lesson plan using Common Sense Media/MD Common Core content
  • Use whiteboard and work as group to demonstrate lesson sequence and content

• Debrief/share
Subject and Course Guides

New research guides are:

• Easy to Update
• List Librarian Info
• Link to Databases
• Present Alternate Sources

http://libraries.towson.edu/
ISTC 301/501 Course Guide

Course Guide includes links to:
• Research materials
• Librarian contact info
• Lesson plans & materials
• Recommended Websites
• Citation assistance

http://towson.libguides.com/istc301501
The act of searching often begins with a question that directs the act of finding needed information [using a combination of] inquiry, discovery, and serendipity.

Searching . . . is often nonlinear and iterative, requiring the evaluation of a range of information sources and the mental flexibility to pursue alternate avenues as new understanding develops.

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Create an Activity

Group assignments include:

- **Grade 2** – Earth Space Science: Planets
- **Grade 2** – Life Science: Animal Life Science
- **Grade 2** – Life Science: Plant Life Science
- **Grade 3** – Earth Space Science: Geographic Features
- **Grade 3** – Social Studies: Peoples of the Nation and World
- **Grade 7** – Science: Life: Genetics
- **Grade 8** – Social Studies: Peoples of the Nation and World
- **Secondary** – U.S. History: Reconstruction and expanding America (Reconstruction-1897)
- **Secondary** – Health Education: Personal and Consumer Health: Personal Health Maintenance

EBSCO’s Primary Search Database

Includes links to:
• Children’s magazines
• Audio files for comprehension support
• Background information
• Vocabulary keywords

Materials may be sorted by Lexile level:
Grade 1 - 200 to 400
Grade 2 - 300 to 500
Grade 3 - 500 to 700
Grade 4 - 650 to 850
Grade 5 - 750 to 950
Grade 6 - 850 to 1050
Grade 7 - 950 to 1075
Grade 8 - 1000 to 1100

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MAS Ultra - School Edition Database

Includes links to:
• Magazine articles
• Primary sources
• Background information

Materials may be sorted by Lexile level:
Grade 6 - 850 to 1050
Grade 7 - 950 to 1075
Grade 8 - 1000 to 1100
Grade 9 - 1050 to 1150
Grade 10 - 1100 to 1200
Grade 11 - 1100 to 1300
Grade 12 - 1100 to 1300

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Common Sense Media

Common Sense Media -
• Digital Citizenship Scope & Sequence
  • Choose K-2; Unit 2; “Using Keywords”
  • Choose 3-5; Unit 1; “The Key to Keywords”
  • Choose 6-8; Unit 1; “Strategic Searching”

Once you find the lesson plan:
1. Read lesson plan
2. Search EBSCO’s Primary Search for content
3. Apply content to create your own lesson plan
4. Share findings with larger group visually, textually, and verbally

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/scope-and-sequence/
Learning outcomes Revisited

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Questions?

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