



Welcome to Our Lesson!

In today's digital age, it's essential for kids to learn about online safety and digital citizenship. This lesson plan is designed to introduce young learners to the fundamental concepts of online safety and digital citizenship, equipping them with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate the digital world safely and responsibly.

Lesson Objectives:

- Understand the basic rules of online safety
- Learn about digital citizenship and its importance
- Develop critical thinking skills to evaluate online information
- Create a positive digital footprint



Digital Citizenship

Digital citizenship refers to the responsible and ethical use of technology, including the internet, social media, and other digital tools. It involves being kind, respectful, and responsible online, as well as being aware of one's digital footprint and taking steps to protect it.

Key Principles of Digital Citizenship:

- Be kind and respectful online
- Be responsible and accountable for your online actions
- Protect your digital footprint and personal information
- Be aware of online etiquette and follow it



Online Safety Rules

- Always ask a grown-up before going online
- Never share personal information online
- Be kind and respectful to others online
- Tell a trusted adult if something goes wrong online

Strong Passwords:

A strong password is a password that is hard for others to guess. It should be at least 8 characters long and include a mix of letters, numbers, and special characters.



Evaluating Online Information

Not everything you find online is true or trustworthy. It's essential to evaluate online information carefully and consider the source, purpose, and accuracy of the information.

Fact-Checking:

Fact-checking involves verifying the accuracy of information by checking it against other reliable sources. This helps to ensure that the information is trustworthy and accurate.



Creating a Positive Digital Footprint

Your digital footprint is the trail of information you leave behind when you're online. It's essential to be mindful of your online actions and ensure that your digital footprint is positive and respectful.

Online Reputation:

Your online reputation is how others perceive you based on your online actions and digital footprint. It's essential to manage your online reputation by being kind, respectful, and responsible online.



Conclusion and Reflection

In conclusion, online safety and digital citizenship are essential skills for kids to learn in today's digital age. By following the rules of online safety, being kind and respectful online, and managing their digital footprint, kids can navigate the digital world safely and responsibly.

Reflection Questions:

- What did you learn about online safety and digital citizenship?
- How can you apply what you learned to your online activities?
- What challenges do you think you might face when trying to stay safe online, and how can you overcome them?



Additional Resources

For more information on online safety and digital citizenship, please visit the following websites:

- [Common Sense Education](#)
- [ConnectSafely](#)
- [Cyber Civil Rights Initiative](#)

