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Self Exploration – Examining My Online Identity and Digital Media Use



Course Overview

Number of Units: 6 Units

Estimated time: 4 - 6 weeks or 12 - 18 hours

OALCF Levels: A1.2, A3, B2.2, D.1-3

Suggested Milestones: 14, 54 or 55 or 56

Course Description

This course is the digital version of a course created by Literacy Link South Central (LLSC) in 2013 and funded by the Ontario government using Employment Ontario funding. It is one of a series of 4 courses we've grouped together under the heading of Self Exploration. In this course, you will learn about your online identity, discuss how to protect your online identity with secure passwords, look at the uses of digital devices and media in your life and talk about evaluating online information.

Summary of activities: Reading, Activities, Quizzes, Videos and Online Research.

Unit 1: Online Identity

An online identity is created when you put information about yourself online. This is often done when you register on a website. In this unit you will learn the difference between personal and private information and what is safe to share online.

Unit 2: Creating Secure Passwords

Creating secure passwords is an important way to help you protect your online identity. A good password will help keep your online identity safe. In this unit you

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will learn some tips for creating secure passwords and if any passwords you are currently using are “secure.”

Unit 3: What is Digital Media?

Digital media is anything with digitalized content that can be transmitted over the Internet. We live in a world where we interact with digital media all of the time. Most of our communication with other people is now digital. In this unit you will reflect on different digital devices used at home, work or in school environments and reflect on the ways you use digital media every day.

Unit 4: Being a Good Digital Citizen

Digital citizenship is appropriate and responsible behaviour when you are using technology. In this unit you will learn some digital etiquette rules to follow to make sure you are treating other people with courtesy and respect online.

Unit 5: My Digital Footprint

Your digital footprint is created when you post photos, videos and comments online. In this unit you will learn how what you post online today can impact your future.

Unit 6: Evaluating Online Information

You can search for almost anything online but not all information you find online is good information. In this unit you will learn about conspiracy theories and how to decide if information posted online comes from a valid source.