

UNIT 4

DEVELOPING DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP & CONSCIOUSNESS

Unit Overview:

The Following Video Section Should Be Viewed Prior To Implementing This Unit:

1. The Full Video

This Unit is designed to allow students an opportunity to develop a working definition of Digital Consciousness and apply their knowledge of Digital Consciousness to real situations. By doing this the students will more fully understand the benefits & consequences of their digital decision making.

This Unit is also designed to provide students with an opportunity to understand what it means to be a responsible digital citizen, and how the application of a Digital Consciousness will help them achieve this valuable trait. Students will examine what it means to be a member of the 21st century digital society and consider whether just being responsible for themselves is enough, or whether their role as a digital citizen is more far reaching.

Finally students will apply their knowledge of Digital Consciousness and Citizenship to develop ways of teaching others these very important skill sets required to succeed in a rapidly evolving digital world.

The Unit and Activity times are anticipated, but may vary.

Teaching Note:

- Students will ultimately need to comprehend that having a Digital Consciousness means we operate digital tools and technologies with a preventative mindset that our actions can instantly become Public and Permanent.

Suggested Unit Time: 80 Minutes

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Lesson Preview:

During this lesson students will analyze responsible digital citizenship to provide students with an opportunity to understand what it means to be a responsible digital citizen. Students will also develop a working definition of Digital Consciousness, and apply their knowledge to real situations. Finally, students will apply their knowledge of Digital Consciousness and Citizenship to develop ways of teaching others these very important skill sets.

Objective:

- Students will develop a working definition of Digital Consciousness and apply their knowledge of Digital Consciousness to real situations.
- Students will demonstrate knowledge of digital citizenship by developing a working definition of the term
- Students will look at actual digital situations in which individuals must reflect upon their own understanding of Digital Citizenship.
- Students will illustrate comprehension that they can help others develop a Digital Consciousness to become responsible Digital Citizens.

Procedure:

- Activity 1: Defining Digital Citizenship (Pg. 3)
- Activity 2: The Declaration of Digital Citizenship (Pg. 5)
- Activity 3: Understanding Citizenship Online & Off (Pg. 7)
- Activity 4: Digital Citizenship Scenarios (Pg. 12)
- Extension Activity (Pg. 14)
- Closure: Journaling Activity (Pg. 16)

Student Worksheets:

- Defining Digital Citizenship Worksheet (Pg. 4)
- Declaration of Digital Citizenship Worksheet: (Pg. 6)
- Understanding Citizenship Online & Off (Pg. 8 - 11)
- Digital Scenarios Worksheet (Pg. 13)
- Extension Activity - Unit 4 Student Created Activity (Pg. 15)