

## **A DIGITAL LITERACY LAUNCH PAD FOR PARENTS**

### **General Information for Parents:**

Media Smarts – Canada’s Centre for Digital and Media Literacy: <https://Mediasmarts.ca/parents>

Topics include: [A Digital Citizenship Guide for Parents](#), [Tips for Managing Screen Time](#), [Parenting the Digital Generation](#), [Social Media and Your Kids](#).

Connect With Confidence - Parent Guide for Digital Literacy:

[http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/f6bccd\\_9e35f416bbd3405b9392d8e383afd80e.pdf](http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/f6bccd_9e35f416bbd3405b9392d8e383afd80e.pdf)

General Parent Concerns - <https://www.common sense media.org/parent-concerns>

### **A Basic Guide to Monitoring YouTube:**

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/a-parents-ultimate-guide-to-youtube>)

### **BYOD in K-12 Schools – 5 Tips to Help Parents Keep Their Kids Safe:**

<https://community.norton.com/en/blogs/norton-protection-blog/byod-k-12-schools-5-tips-help-parents-keep-their-kids-safe>

### **Character Strengths and Life Skills – What are the basic safety rules for cell phones?**

<https://www.common sense media.org/cell-phone-parenting/what-are-the-basic-safety-rules-for-cell-phones>

### **How Do I Keep My Children Safe Online?**

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2014/aug/11/how-to-keep-kids-safe-online-children-advice>

### **Facebook, Instagram, and Social Networks:**

Preschoolers (2-4) - <https://www.common sense media.org/social-media/age/preschoolers>

Little Kids (5-7) - <https://www.common sense media.org/social-media/age/little-kids>

Big Kids (8-9) - <https://www.common sense media.org/social-media/age/big-kids>

Tweens (10-12) - <https://www.common sense media.org/social-media/age/tweens>

Teens (13+) - <https://www.common sense media.org/social-media/age/teens>

### **Privacy and Internet Safety:**

Preschoolers (2-4) - <https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety/age/preschoolers>

Little Kids (5-7) - <https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety/age/little-kids>

Big Kids (8-9) - <https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety/age/big-kids>

Tweens (10-12) - <https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety/age/tweens>

Teens (13+) - <https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety/age/teens>

### **Parenting, Media, and Everything In Between – Are You Spying on Your Kid?**

<https://www.common sense media.org/blog/are-you-spying-on-your-kid>

### **General Tips (<https://www.edutopia.org/digital-literacy-technology-parent-resources>):**

- 1) Use Media together – whenever you can, watch, play and listen with your kids. Talk about content.
- 2) Internet Safety and Online Privacy – Explain that nothing is really private online.
- 3) Social Networking and Virtual Worlds – Help kids understand the line between funny and cruel.
- 4) Role Models and Stereotypes – Grab the headlines, and make them teachable moments.
- 5) Educational Issues – Don’t assume that your children automatically know what’s right and wrong.

### **4 Tips for Parents to Teach Kids About Responsible Technology Use:**

<http://blog.edmentum.com/digital-literacy-4-tips-parents-teach-kids-about-responsible-technology-use>

**Internet Safety for Kids (20 Tips for Parents):** <https://thebestvpn.com/protect-kids-online/>

**Tablet Tips and eSafety:** <http://www.fundamentallychildren.com/tablet-tips-esafety/>

### **5 of the Best Parental Control Apps to Protect Your Children:**

<https://www.workingmother.com/5-best-parental-control-app-to-protect-your-children>

### **Google Family Link App (for children under 13) for Android & iOS Devices (and Chromebooks):**

Parents now have a new way to stop Chromebooks from letting their kids mainline YouTube videos.

<https://families.google.com/familylink/faq/#/>