Reading skills practice: Are you a good digital citizen? – exercises

Do the quiz to find out if you're a good digital citizen and then do the exercises to practise and improve your reading skills.

Preparation

Circle the correct definition.

1. a digital citizen
   a. a person who lives in a modern world
   b. a person who is active online

2. polite
   a. respectful and kind
   b. disrespectful and rude

3. safe
   a. in danger
   b. protected from danger

4. to worry
   a. to think about problems or fears
   b. to feel nervous about meeting new people

5. sensible
   a. acting in a practical way
   b. reacting quickly to changes

6. privacy settings
   a. special places where you can be private
   b. controls to make your information private

7. laws
   a. rules that each country has
   b. information about how to behave

8. illegal
   a. respecting official rules
   b. breaking official rules

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Are you a good digital citizen?

Try the quiz and check your result at the end.



1 Do you believe all the information you see on the internet?

A No! I always check that information is true.

B I don't really think about the information being true or not.

C I believe everything I see online.

2 Are you interested in modern technology?

A Yes, I love learning and reading about all kinds of modern technology.

B I'm interested in some modern technology but not everything.

C I'm not at all interested in modern technology.

3 Are you nice to people online?

A Yes, I always think carefully about what I am saying and doing online.

B I think I am polite most of the time but I don't always think before I write.

C I don't think much about what I say and do online.

4 Do you know how to stay safe online?

A Yes, I am very careful about things like my privacy settings and passwords.

B I think I am safe but I am not sure about things like privacy settings.

C I don't think there are any dangers online so this doesn't worry me.

5 Do you think carefully before you share a photo?

A Yes, I always ask myself 'Would I be happy to see this photo?' If the answer is 'yes', I share it.

B I know that's probably important but I don't always stop to think.

C I just share photos without thinking. I don't really worry about what people think.

6 Are you confident that you always follow your country's laws online?

A Yes. I never download illegal files or copy other people's work.

B I don't know much about the law, but I know not to copy other people's work.

C Hmm ... I don't think laws are important when you go online.

Mostly As	*Mostly Bs*	*Mostly Cs*
Congratulations! You're a good digital citizen. You know how to use technology in a safe and sensible way. You also know how to enjoy technology for study and play. Well done!	You aren't a bad digital citizen but you could be better! Think carefully when you are online and ask questions if there are areas you don't understand.	Oh dear. You need to work on being a good digital citizen. Learn as much as possible about how to behave online or you may find you get into trouble one day.

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1. Check your understanding: multiple selection

Which advice is true about being a good digital citizen? Tick (✓) six correct answers.

.....	You believe most of what you see on the internet.
.....	You are interested in modern technology.
.....	You don't worry about privacy settings.
.....	You think about each photo before you share it.
.....	You are polite to people online.
.....	You share photos online every day.
.....	You check information you read online.
.....	You know there are dangers online.
.....	You don't care about your country's online rules.
.....	You follow your country's online rules.

2. Check your vocabulary: gap fill

Complete the sentences with an appropriate word.

1. The questions are to check whether you are a good _____ citizen.
2. They ask you if you believe everything you see on the _____.
3. Other questions are about being kind and _____ to people online.
4. You should check your privacy settings to make sure your information is _____ and you stay _____.
5. Good digital citizens always think carefully before they _____ a photo online.
6. You should never _____ illegal files or copy other people's work.

Discussion
Are you a good digital citizen?

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