

Digital Citizenship

Teen activity

Explore digital citizenship with Digital Bytes through Commonsensemedia.org. The program is described as: Digital Bytes is all about how you can explore and influence the digital world in which you live. Many teens have inspired/impacted the digital world in a big way...

- Seniors, known as the West High Bros, make the world a kinder place "**one word at a time**."
 - One kid inspires imaginations globally with his cardboard magic.
 - Erika used YouTube to take a stand and become a leader in the Dreamer movement.
- These teens have found their voices. When is yours going to be heard? Be part of a real conversation and show us what you've got.
- Head to digitalbytes.common sensemedia.org to get started!

Web Picks

PPLD's website has great links to help kids and their parents explore internet usage and safety. Go to ppld.org, click "Research," and put in the search term "Internet Safety" to access recommended sites such as ConnectSafely.org, KidsHealth.org, and the kid-accessible "Technology" page of BrainPOP Jr.

Here are some other websites to check out:

CyberWise.org

CyberWise helps "kids embrace technology safely and wisely" by learning about digital citizenship, internet safety, and more through an array of articles, games, videos, and useful links.

DigCitUtah.com

Created by a nonprofit organization, this site focuses on how technology can empower individuals to make positive contributions to their families, communities, and beyond. Includes inspiring profiles of 30+ kids who have "taken charge to be awesome digital citizens" by helping others.

Digizen.org

With sections geared toward parents, educators, and kids, this site encourages users of technology to become "responsible DIGital citizens." Specific advice and resources address topics such as social networking and cyberbullying.

NetSmartz.org

This interactive site presented by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) offers age-appropriate resources including videos, games, and activity cards to teach children how to be safer both online and off.

Help Your Child Be a Good Digital Citizen

Use these word pictures (based on a Digital Citizenship Survival Kit from craigbadura.com) to give you and your children reminders that what they do online can shape the future.

Plug In – Use an extension cord as a reminder that it's okay to disconnect or unplug. You don't have to be connected all the time.

Sheet of Paper – Take a new sheet of paper. Crumple it up, then un-crumple. Ask someone to apologize to the piece of paper for ruining it. The paper can represent someone who has been cyberbullied.

Padlock – Lock down your passwords and private information. Have passcode locks on your digital devices.

Toothbrush – Like your toothbrush, you should NEVER share passwords.

Toothpaste – Information you put online is like toothpaste coming out of a tube. Once it's out, it's nearly impossible to get it back in.

Permanent Marker – Even if you hit delete, everything you post online is permanent.

Teens

Nonfiction:

Digital Destiny: How the New Age of Data Will Transform the Way We Work, Live, and Communicate

by Shawn DuBravac
303-4833 DUBRR

The New Digital Age: Reshaping the Future of People, Nations and Business

by Eric Schmidt, Eric
303-4833 S349N

The New Information Professional: Your Guide to Careers in the Digital Age

by Judy Lawson
020.23 L425N

Privacy in a Digital, Networked World: Technologies, Implications and Solutions

by Sherall Zeadally
005.8 PRIV

A Field Guide to Lies: Critical Thinking in the Information Age

by Daniel J. Levitin
153.42 LEVI

Fiction:

Awaken

by Katie Kacvinsky

Little Brother

by Cory Doctorow

Vicarious

by Paula Stokes

Genal/Finn

by Hannah Moskowitz

In Case You Missed It

by Sarah Littman

Tell us what you think! We welcome topical ideas to enhance your educational endeavors. Contact jfleishhacker@ppld.org.

Kids Online: Booklist

J-Nonfiction

004.6 Giff
Computer Networks

by Clive Gifford

005.8 M3030
Online Privacy

by Julie Schwab Marzolf

006.7 W912Y
YouTube

by Adam Woog

006.752 A615S
Start a Blog!

by Matt Annis

302.23 M667S
Social Networking and Social Media Safety

by Eric Minton

302.34 S399C
Cyberbullying

by Heather E. Schwartz

J-Fiction

BREI

Mousenet

by Prudence E. Breitrose

HAWK

George and the Unbreakable Code

by Lucy Hawking

LIUK

Hello Ruby: Adventures in Coding

by Linda Liukas

LYN

Cyberia

by Chris Lynch

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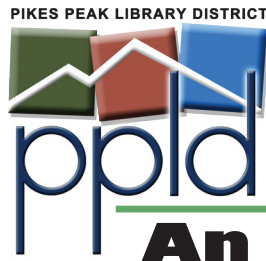
The Nerdy Dozen

by Jeff Miller

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The Case of the Missing Moonstone

by Jordan Stratford



HOMESCHOOL CONNECTIONS

An Educational Resource Tool

Fall 2017

Digital Citizenship: Etiquette and Responsibility in an Online World

As we become more and more globally connected through the use of the internet, cell phones, and other devices, what does it mean to be a good citizen in an increasingly networked and digitally centered world? According to code.org, a nonprofit that provides free lesson plans and student activities to promote computer science, a digital citizen is "**someone who acts safely, responsibly, and respectfully online**." Let's look at each of these factors separately.

Someone who acts **safely** online is someone who follows standard safety practices. These practices include not sharing identifying personal information, such as full name, age, birthday, address, school, or personal information that would enable identity theft. Online safety also includes creating strong and unique passwords, a child or youth telling an adult if they are uncomfortable with something found online or a message they receive, and not responding to messages unless the sender is known.

Someone who acts **responsibly** online is someone who goes beyond basic safety rules and extrapolates the principles to all of their online interactions. A responsible online user does not lie about their age to access websites intended for an older audience and is careful about what information they enter when registering for websites. If they are going to post a photo or video of someone else, they first request permission.

Someone who acts **respectfully** online treats others as they would want to be treated. They think before they post anything, be it comments, photos, videos, or other content. They stop and complete the following checklist from *A Smart Girl's Guide to the Internet* by Sharon Cindrich before posting anything to the internet:

1. "Read the message out loud. Is it clear? Is it kind?"
2. "Picture your friend's reaction. How do you think your friend will feel when she reads the message?"
3. "Count to ten. This gives you one more chance to read your message — and rewrite it if you need to."

Good digital citizens can use the internet to stay connected with family and friends who are far away, to make new friends with similar or diverse interests, to express their creativity, and to promote and engage in positive change. They can be researchers, entrepreneurs, or advocates, to name just a few exciting opportunities to be found online.

Resources:

A Smart Girl's Guide to the Internet by Sharon Cindrich

Online Etiquette and Safety by Phyllis Cornwall

Kids Get Coding: Online Safety for Coders by Heather Lyons

Screenwise: Helping Kids Thrive (and Survive) in Their Digital World by Deborah Heitner
code.org/curriculum/course3/20/Teacher (lesson plan on digital citizenship)

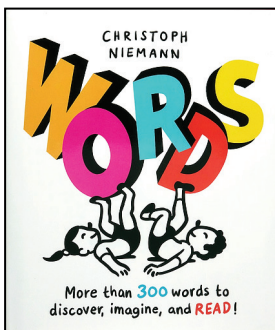
commonsense.org/education/scope-and-sequence (lesson plans for digital citizenship divided by grade level)

pbskids.org/webonauts (interactive game for ages 8 - 10 to learn about digital citizenship)

To contact PPLD's Homeschool Committee, please email jfleishhacker@ppld.org

new The BookShelf

great new books for homeschoolers



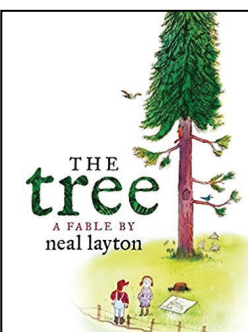
Words by Christoph Nieman [2016]
This is an interesting book – each page has one picture and one word. The book is over 300 pages, so there are many, many pages to “read” or discuss or create a family game – use the word in a sentence; use the word in a silly sentence; draw a different picture for the word. The book is hidden away in J Nonfiction 428.1 – a secret area for some really fun word/language arts type books.
Vocabulary, language studies (ages 5 - 10)

Pig & Goose and the First Day of Spring

by Rebecca Bond [2017]



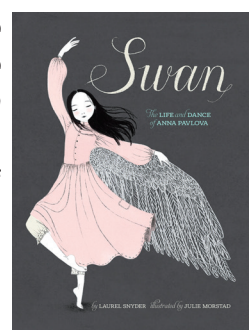
I love this book! At 48 pages, it is a nice, almost-ready-for-chapter books read. Three little chapters about friendship, being oneself, and appreciating others, make this a good story for all ages.
Character studies: friendship (ages 4 - 10)



The Tree: A Fable by Neal Layton [2016]
Super simple, with very few words, this tall-as-a-tree book tells the tale of perhaps careless human planning. The adult couple makes amends with the animals they impacted, and then live happily with those who first called the tree home.
Science, literature (ages 3 - 8)

The Swan: the Life and Dance of Anna Pavlova

by Laurel Snyder [2015]



This picture book biography is a magical story of a poor Russian girl, daughter to a laundress, who grew up to be one of the prima ballerinas of the time. She was the first ballerina to tour the world, doing ballet, and adapting different folk songs to the stage. The book is about her personal drive to be a ballerina, despite the difficulties she faced.
History, biography, dance (ages 5 - 15)



The Blue Hour by Isabelle Simler [2017]
How many different colors of blue can you think of? And how about naming some flowers, or animals that are prominently blue? This soft and gentle book shows us plants and animals, as the sun is setting, and the full moon is rising.
Nature studies, plants and animals (ages 5 - 10)

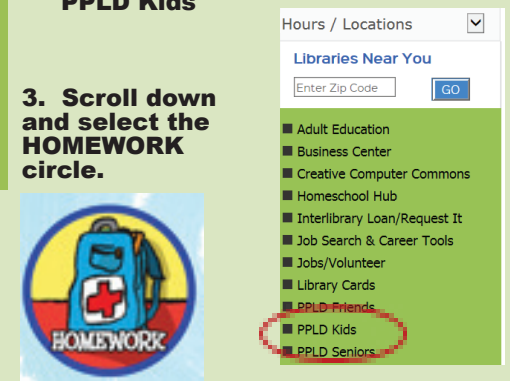
Little-Known Secrets

Have you been wondering what happened to Brainfuse?
This homework help database is still around but has been renamed **Help Now**. There are multiple ways to find it in our PPLD database collection; here is just one.

1. Go to ppld.org



2. In the green box on the right hand side of the screen, select PPLD Kids



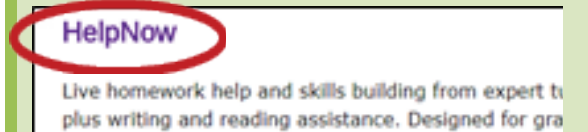
3. Scroll down and select the HOMEWORK circle.



4. Select the ALL DATABASES circle.



5. Scroll down and select the HELP NOW database.

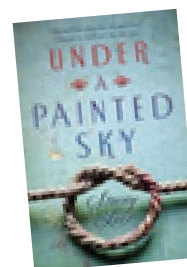


Along with live tutoring each day, HELP NOW has several other useful tools:

- **SKILL SURFER** – Online practice tests and quizzes, including ACT, SAT, GED, and AP.
- **LEAP LAB** – More practice tests for the ACT/SAT/College Readiness/GED, however, these sites adapt the test to your skill level and changes as you improve.
- **SEND QUESTION** – Stumped? Send your question and a tutor will respond with an answer in one business day.
- **FLASHBULB** – Study various topics with online flash cards, crosswords, matching games, etc. Don't see what you need? Enter your data and it will create flashcards for you.

Take a moment to explore the many learning tools in this valuable database. What treasures will **you** find?

Teen/Tween Programs



Stacey Lee Author Visit (all ages)
The author of our Teen All Pikes Peak Reads pick, *Under a Painted Sky*, Stacey Lee will visit and give a presentation, with a book signing to follow.
Thu., Oct. 12 + 7 p.m.
Venue @ Library 21c

Barbie Zombies (Ages 9+)
Take your old Barbies and turn them into creepy zombies. Bring your own Barbies or we will have a couple for you to destroy.
Thu., Oct. 26 + 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
High Prairie Library

Magic Fortune Jars (Ages 9+)
Find out what your future will hold with these cool fortune jars.
Fri., Nov. 10 + 4 - 5 p.m.
High Prairie Library

Western Movie Marathon (Ages 12 - 18)
Celebrate our All Pikes Peak Reads pick, *Under a Painted Sky* by Stacey Lee, by watching our Western Movie Marathon. We'll show the *Magnificent 7* at 1 p.m. and *True Grit* at 3:30 p.m. Tasty treats will be served!
Sat., Sept. 23 + 1 and 3:30 p.m.
East Teen Center

Washi Tape Workshop (Ages 9+)
Make some fun things with Washi tape.
Tue., Sept. 19 + 5 - 6 p.m.
High Prairie Library

Harvest Festival (All ages)
Celebrating High Prairie's 7th Anniversary
Sat., Oct. 7 + 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
High Prairie Library

Escape the Room: Oregon Trail Edition (Ages 12 - 18)
Try to escape the room before time runs out! This escape room's theme is the Oregon Trail in honor of our teen All Pikes Peak Reads pick: *Under a Painted Sky* by Stacey Lee. Registration required.
Sat., Sept. 9 + 3 p.m. • East Teen Center

Under a Painted Sky Book Discussion (All ages)
Meet new friends and discuss our All Pikes Peak Reads book *Under a Painted Sky*.
Wed., Oct. 4 + 6:30 p.m.
East Teen Center

Dungeons and Dragons (Ages 12 - 18)
Join teens that are passionate about Dungeons and Dragons!
Tuesdays + 6 - 8:30 p.m.
East Teen Center

First Friday Gaming (Ages 12 - 18)
Teens, are you ready to show off your mad gaming skills? Want to learn how to game? Join us for a friendly competition on the Wii U of Super Smash Bros.
First Friday of Each Month
4 - 5:30 p.m. • East Teen Center

The Klinitski Krew



We have been learning forever but officially homeschooling since 2000 when the oldest child was entering 2nd grade. Our family consists of four amazing children: Taylor 24, Mackayla 21, Leah 18, and Tarryn 15 plus one adventurous mom, Theresa. Along our incredible homeschool journey there were many victories and also many struggles. Each school year we tried different teaching methods and curriculum trying to find the perfect fit but ultimately discovering that we learn best with hands on experiences with few essential text books. Therefore, I always tried to include as many real life learning opportunities as possible. It might be days spent at the zoo practicing new art techniques or weekends hiking through mountains rock hounding and seeing the Colorado geography. We were always busy.

Our family has explored many different sports and activities through the years. Naturally, we enjoyed some more than others and a few of those have become part of our everyday life. When Taylor was 12, his fencing skills allowed him to compete at a national level. We jumped at the opportunity and spent the next few years exploring new parts of our country, visiting far away friends and family in addition to meeting new and interesting people. As we drove from place to place, the children would use the time to complete their regular lessons, listen to most of the Newberry Award winner books, and everyone learned to navigate with a real map.

We found myriad other ways to add to our educational experience through the years. Rescuing and raising a menagerie of different types of animals has been a constant activity. Together as a team, we have remodeled our house and are currently working on the backyard. We have also each learned to design, launch and run our own small businesses. Some of these we continue to operate; others were not as successful as we had hoped.

I enjoy watching my children as they grow up and venture out on their own forging their individual paths. I also enjoy supporting homeschoolers through my position as Homeschool Liaison with District 49. All of our homeschooling experiences were not successful; however, we always learned valuable lessons and had fun doing it all together. It is encouraging to see that my children are equipped with the skills needed to be happy, successful adults.

Everything is a learning opportunity!

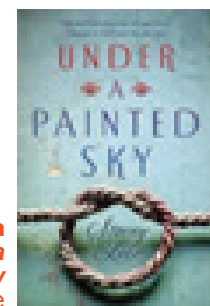
All Pikes Peak Reads 2017

PPLD is proud to announce the theme and book titles for the All Pikes Peak Reads 2017 initiative: **Cultures, Conflicts, & Cuisines**. This theme connects the threads of cultural enlightenment, familial and social conflicts, social and romantic injustice, and the cuisines that make our world such a diverse home for us all.

This fall, APPR 2017 will present a variety of programs to the community, including author visits, concerts, film screenings, community discussions and panel presentations, theater productions, culinary demos, art installations, gallery exhibitions, and more. Check ppld.org/appr to find programs near you! And borrow—and talk about—the outstanding 2017 featured titles listed below.



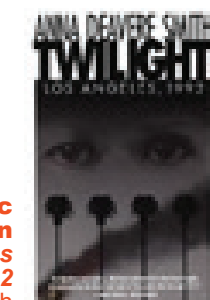
Adult Selection
Like Water for Chocolate
by Laura Esquivel



Teen Selection
Under a Painted Sky
by Stacey Lee



Children's Selection
Save Me a Seat
by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan



Academic Selection
Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992
by Anna Deavere Smith

Kids Programs

Homeschool Science @ East
These awesome monthly programs, each featuring a different science topic, will offer kids an engaging variety of learning experiences. Homeschooled students of all ages and their parents are encouraged to participate. Contact jfleishhacker@ppld.org or check online at ppld.org for more information.

Third Friday of each Month + 1 p.m. • East Library

Homeschool @ Rockrimmon
Enjoy activities with other homeschool families.
Second Thursday of Each Month
1:30 - 3 p.m. • Rockrimmon Library

Homeschool @ High Prairie
Enjoy activities with other homeschool families.
Second Thursday of Each Month
1:30 p.m. • High Prairie Library

Family Fun
Enjoy performers, animals, crafts and much more at monthly programs. Fun for the whole family! Check online at ppld.org or at your local library for upcoming events.

Make Art!
Kids in grades 1 - 5 can create a unique work of art one Saturday afternoon a month at East Library.
Call (719) 531-6333, x1403 for dates and themes.