

## Week 1: Reflection

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<p><b>3</b></p> <p>ideas from week 1 that are useful in your context/teaching</p>	<p>I believe the following concepts are key and should be at the forefront of our minds whenever we engage in any online activity, be it for educational or social purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Digital Identity – a person’s digital identity is organically created based on personal information, purchasing behaviour, online search activities, social media groups and posts. Thus, we need to be careful with our online actions.</li><li>• Digital Footprint - intentionally and unintentionally we leave an information trail by our activity on social media such as our comments, likes, and groups/pages we belong to. Text messages, including deleted messages also create our digital footprint. It’s like every website, email or online service that you use creates a trail of data about you.</li><li>• Digital Literacy is important because we should have a good understanding of the benefits, the possibilities, the limitations, and the dangers of online information and technology. As educators, having digital literacy provides us with the ability to search, evaluate and curate digital content for beneficial purposes.</li></ul>
<p><b>2</b></p> <p>things you will do as a result of what you learned in week 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I will continue to be careful about what I post on social media to maintain in as much as possible a positive digital identity.</li><li>• Apply and share what I have learned about digital identity and digital footprint</li></ul>
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>question you have or 1 idea you want to follow up on</p>	<p>How to get my students – teenagers – to fully grasp the concept of digital identity as sometimes some of them do not seem to think of the digital identity they are creating for themselves?</p> <p>I often hear of inappropriate photos or comments that some of our students are posting, and it makes me wonder how to truly make them understand that they need to be careful with their online activities. They put themselves at risk in so many ways with online activities that to them seem “fun” or “cool” just to be popular and get 100’s of likes.</p>