RESOURCE GUIDE

Episode 7, "Screen Time and Online Well-being"



Information on Media Literacy

- <u>Common Sense Media's website</u>
- Check out <u>this article</u> from Common Sense Media detailing what media literacy is and why it is important.
- National Association for Media Literacy Education website
- PBS details what media literacy is and highlights Project Look Sharp's four steps approach for media literacy and content standards <u>here</u>.
- Crash Course's video introduction to media literacy and why it is significant.

Impacts of Screen Time

- Read Harvard Medical School's article about how screen time impacts the brain.
- Read the National Library of Medicine's article about why the quality of kids' screen time matters!
- Check out New York Presbyterian's article on <u>what screen time does to child development and</u> tips regarding how quality of content and quantity of content impacts children.
- Look into the American Psychological Association explanation of the <u>risks and possible benefits</u> of screen time.
- Watch this video from Above the Noise who partnered with Common Sense Media and PBS to convey information regarding the <u>impact of screen time and how what content we watch</u> <u>can affect us!</u>

Figuring Out Appropriate & Inappropriate Content

- Look into how Common Sense Media rates and reviews books for children
- Check out these <u>lists of appropriate media recommendations for children and families</u> from Common Sense Media.
- Read through Ed Tech Review's article on how to teach media literacy to kids!

Fact Checking Jessi's Claims

Jessi Claimed:

• A PG-13 movie rating means that extreme violence is okay if there isn't any blood – This claim is TRUE...sort of.

The Motion Picture Association states that, "There may be depictions of violence in a PG-13 movie, but generally not both realistic and extreme or persistent violence". Meaning, there could be blood in a PG-13 movie as long as it falls within the guidelines of not being too realistic, extreme or persistent. You can read more in full on Page 5 of the <u>MPA Ratings Rules</u>.

Jessi Claimed:

• Only 1 state in the country mandates media literacy in K-12 schools – This claim is FALSE.

There are currently <u>3 states that mandate media literacy</u>, with a 4th on the way (California)

Remember to always check your facts before you spread misinformation or disinformation! Even Librarians make mistakes :)

