



# Digital Literacy with Techboomers

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#### What We'll Be Covering in This Webinar

- 1. The Importance of Digital Literacy
- 2. What Techboomers Was, and What It Is Now
- 3. Digital Literacy Best Practices
- 4. The Ways You Can Use Techboomers





### What You Can Do on the Internet Now, and How that Changes Rapidly

The Social Aspect

- Keeping in touch with friends and family is unlimited and free now
- You have access to real-time news and updates
- You can meet new people with similar interests



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### Learn Anything Online for Free

- University-level courses
- Search for answers to any and all questions
- Discover new interests and passions
- Stay up-to-date with the world of tech and science



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#### Save Money on Just About Everything

- Free and less expensive entertainment
- Classified sites to buy used goods
- Discount and coupon websites
- Travel booking and other vacation websites







### **Technology Can Simply Make Life Easier!**

- Shop from the comfort of your own home
- File storage and other cloud-based apps
- Family monitoring apps
- Google Maps for directions
- Yelp to find a great place to eat out







#### **How Techboomers Started**

- Founder Steve Black wanted a quality resource for his family to learn digital literacy
- There is a clear need for reliable, up-to-date content that teaches people how to use technology









### What Techboomers Used to Be

- Over 100 courses on popular websites and apps
- Partnerships with libraries and techtraining organizations
- A "forever free" model that can be

utilized by the average person, or trainers





#### What Techboomers Has Grown Into Now

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  - digital literacy
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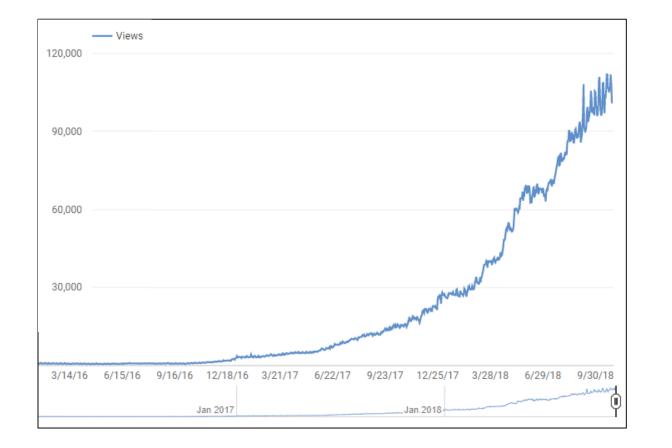
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#### The Success of Our YouTube Channel



Subscribers: 80,000+

Views: 23 million+

Watch Time: 565,000 hours+

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#### Safety & Privacy: Not the Same Thing

Safety = personal contact and potential harm

Sites and apps like: Tinder, Uber, Craigslist, Meetup

**Privacy** = personal information exposure

Sites and apps like: Airbnb, Snapchat, Google Maps, online banking





### Digital Literacy <u>WILL</u> Protect You Online

- 1. Understand the dangers of the Internet
- 2. Use the proper tools to protect yourself
- 3. Consider the consequences of posting online
- 4. Digital literacy is a lifelong endeavour





#### (a brief) Techboomers Site Tour







#### Ways to Use Techboomers

- 1. As the "casual technology user"
- 2. As a librarian
- 3. As a technology trainer



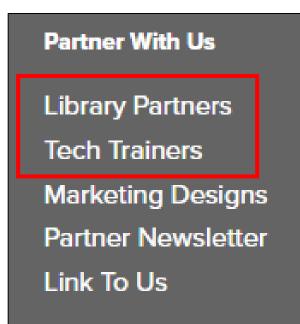
4. To share with friends, family, and colleagues as a legitimate resource





#### How to Spread the Word About Techboomers

- 1. Add a link to our homepage
- 2. Provide links to specific articles/courses
- 3. Re-post our articles on your website or use in your newsletters
- 4. Share our content on social media
- 5. Recommend us to others in your field







#### How to Use Techboomers Resources for Your Sessions

4 ways to use Techboomers:

- 1. Visit our website and do a live walkthrough at a general meeting
- 2. Use our courses for a class for your members
- 3. Turn our tutorials into a PowerPoint presentation to give at a general meeting
- 4. Show our video tutorials





# Questions? Ideas? Suggestions?



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