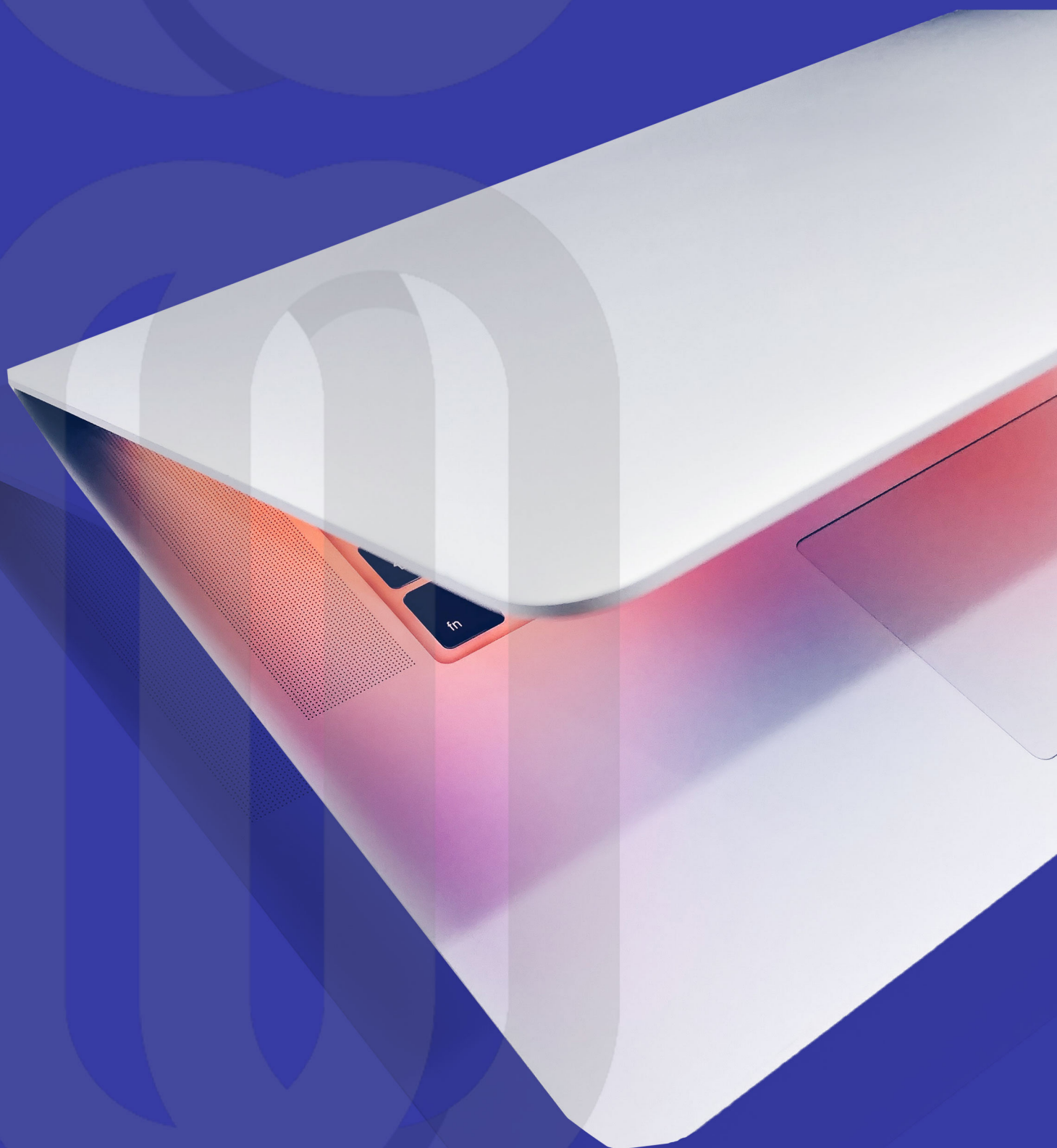**DIGITAL LITERACY**

INTRODUCTORY

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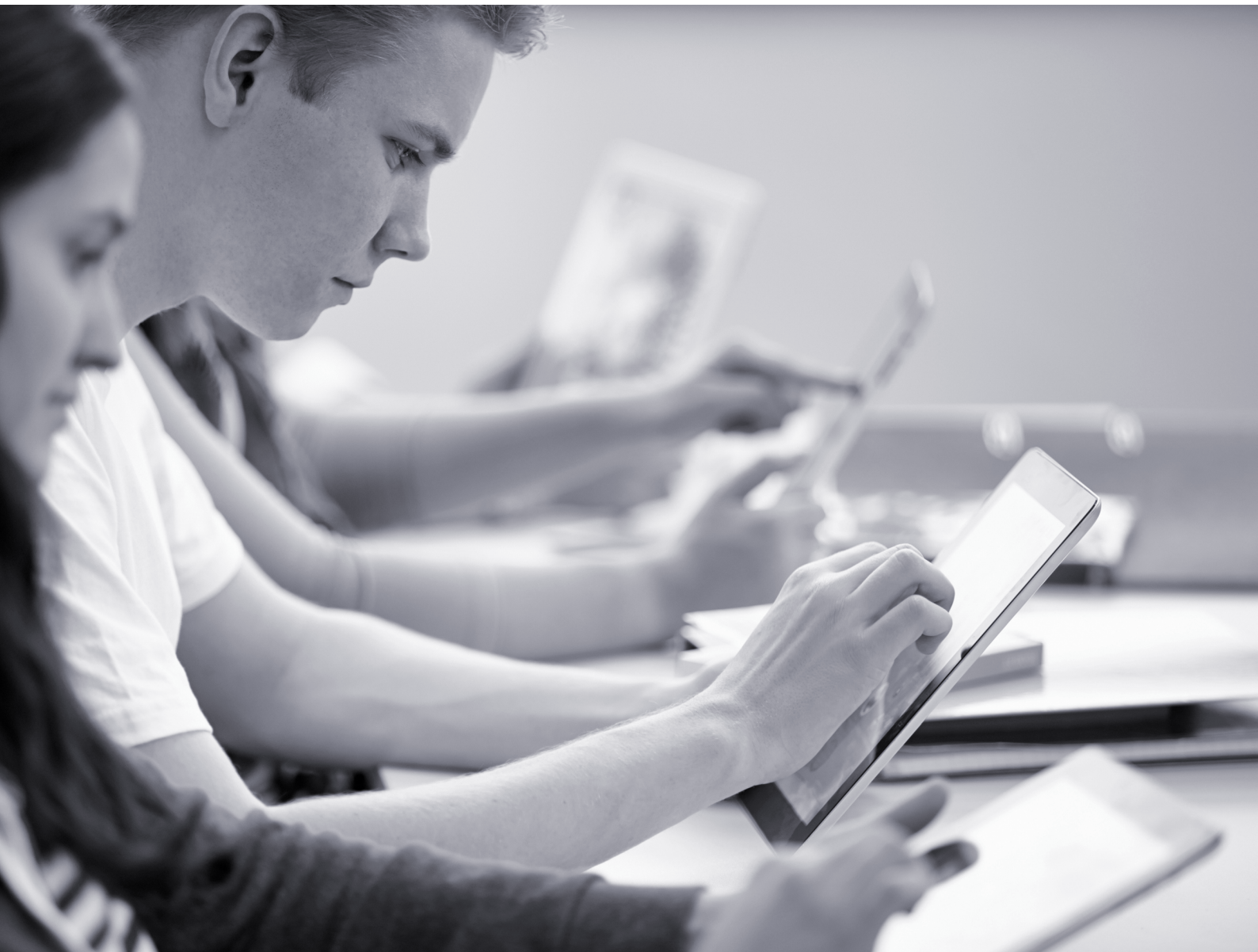DIGITAL LITERACY**

INTERFACE

SKILL ADDRESSED:
Digital Literacy

LEVEL OF CHALLENGE:
Introductory

TITLE OF ACTIVITY:
Understanding My Digital Literacy

INTRODUCTION TO THE SKILL

Hello and welcome to the INTERFACE WebQuest! Today we will focus on the topic of Digital Literacy and understanding our digital footprint. For several decades now, the world we live in has become increasingly surrounded by technologies of all kinds. In a sense, it has already become the norm for us, a convenient tool that we use them on a regular basis without even noticing. No matter how you look at it, we all have some digital skills - some of us on an advanced level, some of us on a basic level and some of us on a completely average level. That is why in this WebQuest we are going to focus on assessing our knowledge and level of all sorts of digital skills, and the opportunities they give us.

THE CHALLENGE

Understanding and analysing the level of our digital skills will give you a better picture of our capabilities and spot possible areas for improvement. It is important to remember that being digitally literate is not just about knowing the technology - it is also about knowing how to navigate the digital environment effectively. Such knowledge can therefore be useful in our personal life, social life, learning life and in our work life. That is why, by following the steps below, you will have the chance to analyse and describe your general knowledge of digital literacy and strengthen your digital footprint.

STRUCTURE

STEP 1: DEFINING DIGITAL LITERACY AND DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Your first step will be to understand the concepts of Digital Literacy and Digital footprint. To do this, read the definitions of these two concepts in the links below and then try to describe in your own words how you understand them and try to form your own definitions.

Digital Literacy definitions:
- https://www.twinkl.pl/teaching-wiki/digital-literacy
- https://www.teachthought.com/literacy/definition-digital-literacy/

Digital Footprint definitions:
- https://www.dictionary.com/browse/digital-footprint
- https://www.kaspersky.com/resource-center/definitions/what-is-a-digital-footprint

Describe your understanding of these two concepts by answering the following questions:
- *Why is digital literacy important?*
- *What skills are included in digital literacy?*
- *How can you develop your digital literacy?*
- *Why do digital footprints matter?*
- *What are some examples of digital footprint?*
- *How are these concepts linked together?*

STEP 2 – HOW TO PROTECT YOUR DIGITAL FOOTPRINT
In the second step, your task is to watch two YouTube videos and reflect on the following points:
- *What are the possible benefits of a digital footprint?*
- *How can we protect our digital footprint?*

Videos with hints can be found below:
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ro_LlRg8rGg
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NNAVTepZGew

STEP 3 – ASSESSING MY SKILLS
In the first step, if you have answered all the questions, this means that you are already familiar with certain digital literacy skills and know that they include, among other things:
- Understanding digital footprint
- Independent research
- Content creation
- Collaboration
- Familiarity with common platforms

Your task, now, is to reflect and analyse your level of these skills. To do this, you can use online research to better understand the concepts of each individual skill. When analysing your skills, please identify them according to the scale below, and in one or two sentences describe why you think so.
1. Beginner
2. Intermediate knowledge
3. Advanced
4. Expert

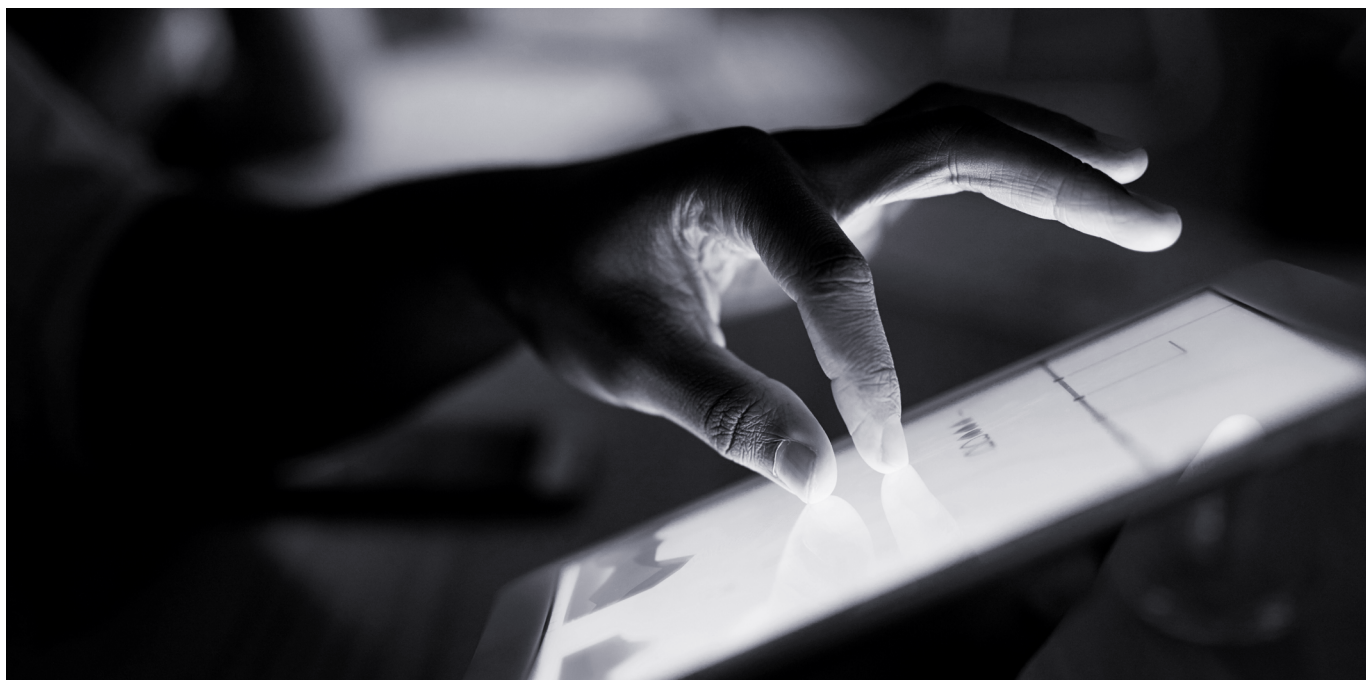*Count up your points. Did you expect this result?*

STEP 4 – HOW CAN I IMPROVE? BRAINSTORMING & ONLINE RESEARCH

Finally, in this last step we come to the core of our analyses, i.e. improvement. Have you ever wondered how you can expand and deepen your knowledge in the skills tested in the previous step? This is the perfect time to do so!

Your task is to think about and describe how you can develop your knowledge of digital literacy and the matching skills. For this, you can confidently use online research to help you invent great tips!

DEMONSTRATION AND EVALUATION

Great job! You have successfully completed your first WebQuest on Digital Literacy at Introductory level. Now you should be aware of your own capabilities, your skills and, most importantly, how to further improve them. Continuous development, as you already know is very important! Even if you have collected all possible points in step three, which means that you consider yourself an expert in these areas, it does not mean that you cannot improve. The skills listed above are not exclusive to digital literacy. In addition, technology is advancing and developing all the time, so we can and even should too!

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