

Cybersecurity



Facilitator Guide: How to Prepare for This Lesson



Lesson 7 – Intro to Networking

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About this Facilitator Guide

This facilitator guide provides the details to help you enable students to complete the lesson on **Intro to Networking – What is Networking?**

Instructions for using the SCORM files in Blackboard and Canvas can be found at this [link](#). Instructions for using Flipgrid can be found in this guide.

While this lesson is designed for online learning, you will find information in this guide about In-Person Learning Adaptations to help you facilitate your students who may be completing this lesson in the classroom instead of online. Call-outs will provide guidance on how to adapt various activities for in-person learning.

Before You Get Started

Before you get started with this lesson, please be sure to:

- Read through the facilitator guide.
- Download SCORM. (You will only need to add SCORM once. After that, you will be set to use SCORM for any remaining lessons.)
- Review the Rise lesson.
- Prepare any resources needed for the lesson.
- Set up Flipgrid.

Flipgrid Instructions – Setting up Flipgrid

Both educators and students will need to set up Flipgrid for use.

Educator Step-by-Step Guide

Set up your free educator account at [Flipgrid.com](https://flipgrid.com) and create a **Topic** for the class. Please copy and paste the heading from the facilitator guide that pairs with the Flipgrid so that the topic aligns with student expectations. A Topic is a discussion prompt for students. Students respond to the Topic with a short video using our fun, social-media-style camera. Students can watch and comment on videos from peers, with the educator in complete control.

1. Create a Topic

Topics start the conversation in Flipgrid. Just write a prompt and include anything for students to review before responding, such as videos and links.

When you create a new Topic or Group, a Join Code is automatically created for it. To share the Join Code to your Topic or Group, login to your educator account and select the blue Share button to access your Join Link and Code, as well as other ways to share your discussion.



The Join Code also creates a link. Copy/paste the link in emails, texts, social media, Google Classroom, or other websites to invite your students to join! You can download/print QR codes for students to scan on the Flipgrid app. The Flipgrid app and flipgrid.com offer a QR scanner on the homepage.

The student receives the Join Code in the form of a link, a code, a QR code or a guest username and password. The student can then enter a student username, or a password.

2. Set Access and Share

After creating the Topic, choose how students will access it. If they have email addresses, add the domain (everything after the @ symbol in their email address). If students do not have email addresses, create usernames for each student. Invite families and guests by adding a guest password.

Share the Topic by using one of the Share buttons or copy and paste the unique Join Code wherever you connect with your community.

3. Students Respond

After entering the Join Code, students gain access by logging in via email or username.

Students can share their voices by recording a short video with Flipgrid's fun, simple, and powerful camera. It's packed with everything they need to tell their story, including text, emoji, inking, boards, screen recording, and the ability to upload clips!

References:

[Educator Step-by-Step Guide](#)

[Educators: A Teacher's Guide to Flipgrid \[YouTube\]](#)

[Educator Guide to Flipgrid](#)

Student Step-by-Step Guide

A student can create a video to submit to the educator in a few easy steps!

1. Locate the Join Information from Your Educator

Your educator would have given you one of these ways to join the discussion:

- A Join Code (e.g., FGrid3567, a591dc5d) or a QR code
- A Join Link (e.g., <https://flipgrid.com/FGrid3567>, <https://flipgrid.com/a591dc5d>)
- If you don't have a school-provided email, then a unique username or guest password

Flipgrid works on most web browsers and mobile devices. Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome is recommended for the best web experience. For easy access to Flipgrid, download the Flipgrid extension. On mobile devices, download the free Flipgrid app for iOS and Android devices.

2. Join the Discussion

Get the educator's discussion by using the link or code provided by your educator in Step 1.

- If you have a Join Link, click on that link.
- If you have a Join Code,
 - Go to your web browser and enter <https://flipgrid.com>. You'll see an area to enter a Join Code. Type the Join Code and press Enter on your keyboard.
 - On a mobile app, enter the code.
- If you have a QR code, scan the QR code with your device camera or the Flipgrid mobile app.

You'll see a prompt to log in. Enter a student username or a password. If your student username or password is not working, be sure to double-check the case and space sensitivity.

Tip: If you're prompted to log in, choose Google if your school uses Google Classroom, Docs, and Drive. Choose Microsoft if your school uses Word, OneDrive, or Microsoft Teams.

3. Record and Submit

Once you've joined, you'll see your educator's Topic, or discussion prompt. Follow the instructions and when you're ready to record, click the red Record a Response button or the Flipgrid logo for the camera to start.

When you're using the Flipgrid camera, you can record a video in these three easy steps:

- Tap to record: Tap the record button on the bottom to start. Add fun stickers, filters, text, and more. Tap the arrow on the bottom-right to advance.



Review your video: Trim, split, rearrange, or add more. Tap the arrow on the bottom-right to advance.



Submit your video: Edit your cover image and name, add a title, or attach a link. Then submit!

The Flipgrid camera offers a lot of fun and creative ways for you to share your ideas and voice! [Check out all the camera features here](#). Learn [how to import a custom video](#) or [how to include a screen recording](#).

References:

[Getting Started: Students](#)

[Getting Started with Flipgrid - Students \[YouTube\]](#)

Using Editable PDFs

Most lessons include the use of an editable PDF for students to capture responses to questions and other activities.

Guiding language is included in the lesson to help students access and use the editable PDFs where they appear.

For students who will be using Chromebooks, students will need to use the Print to PDF function to save their editable PDFs to their device. Here's how to do this:

- 1) Open the editable PDF and select CTRL+P.
- 2) Open the file destination where the file will be saved to.
- 3) Select Save as PDF.
- 4) Select Print. Your document is now "printed" as a PDF file which will save your work.

PDFs cannot be submitted via the Rise activities. If you plan to collect these documents for career planning portfolios or grading, you will need to coordinate that with your students.

To view a video on using Flipgrid and editable PDFs in the lessons, select this [link](#).

Ask an Expert Interviews (Optional)

You may choose to include an “Ask an Expert” interview in this lesson.

An interview provides an opportunity for students to talk with and ask questions of experts who work in various professions to learn about their career journeys, current job roles and responsibilities and glean valuable insights.

Additionally, interviews also provide the following benefits:

- Real-world information about careers.
- An awareness of the workplace habits and interpersonal skills needed to succeed in any job.
- Further encouragement to go to college or post-secondary training, apprenticeship etc. and get ready for the career of their choice.
- An understanding of the fact that each person’s career journey is unique and that most people encounter obstacles and challenges that they must overcome to reach their goals.

When selecting experts to participate in the small group interviews, look for “down to earth” people who you think are good speakers and who would be comfortable talking to young students, ages 12 to 14. An ideal ratio is one expert per every five students.

There are two options that can be used if you choose to use an Ask an Expert Interview:

- Schedule a Zoom/Skype call with an expert in the field.
- Find an existing YouTube video of an expert to share with students.

In-person Learning Adaptation: For in-person learning, project/share the Zoom/Skype call with an Expert with your class. YouTube videos may also be projected/shared in-person. You can consider facilitating further discussions on the key takeaways from the session and/or a specific topic discussed in the session.

Review the following resource for additional information:

[Career and College Exploration Experiences: Planning for Success](#)

How to Implement this Unit

For students to get the most value from this unit, please plan on implementing all lessons in this unit, in sequential order.

When it may not be possible to implement the entire unit, we recommend implementing the following lessons to support optimum student learning based on time available:

- Best Practice: All 12 lessons in order
- Mini unit: Lessons 1 through 4 (5 is an optional addition)
- Standalone lessons: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 12
- Trios: Lesson 9, 10 and 11

Alignment of Learning Outcomes

The program learning outcomes for Possible Futures 2.0 are:

- A. Gain awareness of and exposure to a wide array of careers.
- B. Increase self-awareness and begin to form their potential occupational identity.
- C. Develop employability skills.
- D. Develop foundational technical skills as appropriate.
- E. Be positioned to make more informed educational choices.
- F. Transition to high school with an actionable plan for next steps.

The curriculum learning outcomes for the Cybersecurity unit are:

1. Students learn the basics of digital life and cybersecurity.
2. Students explore career options within the cybersecurity industry.
3. Students identify their strengths and interests in the field of cybersecurity.
4. Students connect their strengths and interests in the field of cybersecurity to potential careers.
5. Students explore local labor market data and education opportunities for careers in the field of cybersecurity.

The Arizona Career Literacy Standards for grades 5 through 8 can be found at this [link](#).

The Arizona Computer Science Standards can be found at this [link](#).

This lesson's learning outcomes align with the program learning outcomes (PLOs), curriculum learning outcomes (CLOs), Arizona Computer Science Standards (CSSs), and Arizona Career Literacy Standards (CLSs) as follows:

CLOs	Lesson Learning Outcomes	PLOs	CLSs	CSSs
1	Define networking.	D	2.0, 5.0	NI.NCO.1
1	Understand the differences between networking then and now.	D	2.0, 5.0	NI.NCO.1
1	Define router.	D	2.0, 5.0	NI.NCO.1
1	Define switch.	D	2.0, 5.0	NI.NCO.1
1	Understand how a computer network looks like and works.	D	2.0, 5.0	NI.NCO.1

Tracking Completion of Lessons

If you are using SCORM Cloud or Canvas with the lessons in this unit, completion tracking options are available. If you are not using either platform, please determine if and/ or how you plan to track completion of lessons by students.

Lesson 7 Components

Guiding Question

The guiding question is intended to provide a focal point for each lesson. This lesson's guiding question is:

- **What is Networking?**

Lesson Overview

In this lesson, students understand the basics of networking. First, the students see what networking was like years ago and compare it to how it is today. Then, they discuss the definition of networking. Next, the students go over the components of a network and define a router and a switch. Afterwards, the students do an activity to help them visualize what a network looks like.

Learning Targets

By the end of this lesson, students will be able to:

- Define networking
- Understand the differences between networking then and now
- Define router
- Define switch
- Understand how a computer network looks and works

Vocabulary in this Lesson – Flip Card Activity

Students should use the flip card activity to familiarize themselves with key vocabulary terms and definitions for this lesson.

- **Network:** A group of two or more connecting devices that communicate data electronically.
- **Router:** A network device that sends data between computers.
- **Switch:** Network hardware that connects devices in a network.
- **Device:** Computer, laptop, phone, etc. that connects to other devices in the network.
- **LAN:** Local area network, think of the network that makes up your home devices.
- **WAN:** Wide area network, think of multiple home networks in your neighborhood that can communicate with each other.

Networking Then and Now

In this section, students learn how computer networks have evolved over the years. The students review information regarding the following, which is presented in a flashcard grid.

Each question includes two cards – Now and Then. Selecting each card reveals the pertinent information.

- What do you think early desktop computers looked like when they were invented? And now?
- How do you think computers used to be connected to the internet? And now?
- How many computers do you think made up a network in the past? And now?
- How many people do you think had access to the internet? And now?

In-person Learning Adaptation: For in-person learning, the facilitator can show the flashcards via a projector or a Smart board and ask students to discuss any queries or observations on it.

Networking – Video

In this section, students watch a video titled [Computer Networking Explained](#) to learn what a network is, how computer networking has evolved over the years, and the significance of networks in our lives. The video also explains the function of Local Area Networks (LAN) and Wide Area Networks (WAN). The students then review an interactive labeled graphic to learn how a Local Area Network (LAN) is set up. Selecting each sign on the image reveals how different devices are connected to a LAN.

In-person Learning Adaptation: For in-person learning, the facilitator can share the video via a projector or a Smart board and then share the labeled graphic image to show how a LAN is setup. The facilitator can then ask students to think of the devices connected to the internet in their houses.

Wide Area Network (WAN) – Video

In this section, students watch a video titled [The Internet: Packets, Routing & Reliability](#) where Spotify engineers explain what keeps the internet running, how reliable it is, and how information is broken down into packets. The students then review an interactive labeled graphic to learn how a Wide Area Network (WAN) is set up. Selecting each sign on the image reveals how routers and different devices are connected to a server in a WAN.

In-person Learning Adaptation: For in-person learning, the facilitator can share the video via a projector or a Smart board and then share the labeled graphic image to show how a WAN is setup. The facilitator can then ask students to discuss any queries or observations on LAN and WAN setup.

Setting Up a Network - Flipgrid Share Out

In this section, students use Flipgrid to create an image of what the network either where they live or in their classroom looks like. The students consider the following questions and share and explain their diagram of a network on Flipgrid.

- How many routers would there be?
- How many switches?
- How many devices? What kinds?

Thinking About Your Future

At the end of the lesson, students will see the following statement in Rise: “In this lesson you learned about how networks are set up.”

Before the next lesson, think about how you might respond to these questions:

- What’s the difference between a LAN and a WAN?
- If computers and networks have come so far already, what do you think the future will be like?

Career Pathways

Share the following with your students: “It’s never too soon to start exploring future career options!”

Students can access the resources at this link, [PipelineAZ Information Technology](#).

Lesson Completion

At the end of the lesson, students will see the following message in Rise:

In future lessons, you will learn more about protocols, ciphers, and hacking.