Secret Codes of Safety

Cyber Safety Lesson Plan (7-9 years old)

This lesson educates students on the importance of creating strong passwords to protect their digital world. It introduces basic rules of password security and how to construct strong passwords for online accounts.

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Create strong and secure passwords for their online accounts.
- Recognise the importance of keeping passwords confidential.

Duration

30 minutes

Key Concepts

• **Password:** A secret combination of letters, numbers, and/or symbols used to access and protect personal accounts and information.

Internet Independent Framework

The learning objectives in this workshop are aligned with the Privacy and Information Security pillar of the Internet Independent Framework. Visit <u>cyberlite.org</u> for more information.



LESSON SLIDE

WHAT TO SAY OR DO



Welcome students to the lesson and briefly explain that today's lesson is about the role of passwords in protecting our online spaces.



Share the lesson objectives of what students will be learning today.



Engage students by discussing why passwords are necessary for devices and online accounts, highlighting the idea of protection and privacy.



Explain what a password is, and how it is used to protect our online accounts.



Explain passwords as secret codes or keys that protect our online information and accounts, using relatable analogies such as keys to a treasure chest.

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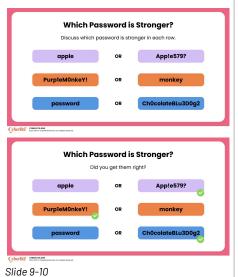
Discuss the significance of passwords in keeping personal information, such as game scores or messages, safe from unauthorised access.



Use the analogy of a house key to explain how passwords protect our digital 'homes' from intruders.



Introduce guidelines for creating strong passwords, emphasising length, complexity, and uniqueness. Highlight common mistakes to avoid, such as using easily guessable information and sharing passwords with friends.

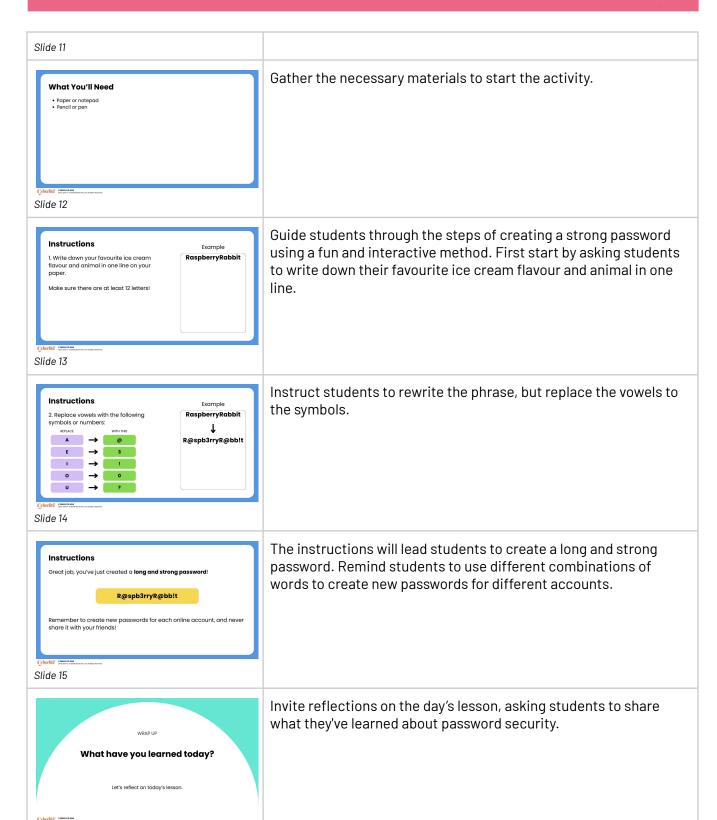


Facilitate a discussion on the strength of different passwords, encouraging students to identify which passwords are stronger and why, reinforcing the rules discussed.



Announce an activity where students will practise creating their own strong passwords.







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Emphasise the importance of strong, secure passwords as the foundation of online safety, and remind them never to share passwords with others.

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Congratulate the students for their thoughtful participation and remind them to create long and strong passwords.

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