

## Lesson Plan

This lesson plan is designed to help you teach using a Common Craft video. Use the information below to introduce the video and then follow the video with discussion questions and other resources.



[commoncraft.com/video/libraries-internet-age](https://commoncraft.com/video/libraries-internet-age)

### ISTE Standard:

**Empowered Learner, Digital Citizen, Knowledge Constructor, Innovative Designer, Computational Thinker, Creative Communicator, Global Collaborator**

### ACRL Info Literacy Frame:

**Authority is Constructed and Contextual, Information Creation as a Process, Information Has Value, Research as Inquiry, Scholarship as Conversation, Searching as Strategic Exploration**

# Libraries in the Internet Age

## Explained by Common Craft

It's easy to question the value of libraries now that we have the Internet at our fingertips. But it's because of greater access that libraries have become providers and navigators of more information than ever before.

## Learning Outcomes

- Explain why information is the real focus of every library
- Describe how the Internet has changed libraries
- Describe common challenges to locating trustworthy and high-quality information
- List types of activities a library or librarian can help patrons with

## Discussion Questions

### Q #1

What challenges have you encountered when searching for information?

### Q #2

Why is the library a good place to seek help when searching for information?

## Knowledge Check Q&A

### Q

What is the real focus of every library?

### A

Information.

### Q

Multiple Choice. Where might information be found? A) Books B) the Internet C) Databases D) All of the above

### A

D) All of the above.

**Q**

Multiple Choice. What do librarians do? A) Locate books B) Teach C) Search for information on the Internet and in online databases D) All of the above

**A**

D) All of the above.

**Q**

True or False? The internet has made libraries obsolete.

**A**

False.

## Resources for Learning More

### Public Libraries Online

Julie Biando Edwards, Melissa S. Rauseo, & Kelley Rae Unger  
"23 reasons why your library is the most important place in town"  
4/30/2013

<http://publiclibrariesonline.org/2013/04/community-centered-23-reasons-why-your-library-is-the-most-important-place-in-town/>

### Global Citizen

Kathleen Ebbitt  
"Five ways libraries are changing in the digital age" 1/15/2015

<https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/five-ways-libraries-are-changing-in-the-digital-age/>

### Scholastic

Kate Rix  
"Are librarians still important?"

<http://www.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3757441>

### Inside Higher Ed

Carl Straumsheim  
"Are Libraries 'Vanity Projects'"  
11/1/2016

<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2016/11/01/librarians-criticize-greta-van-susteren-after-vanity-projects-comments>

### TedTalk

Pam Sandlia  
"What to expect from libraries in the 21st century: Pam Sandlian Smith at TEDxMileHigh"  
12/16/2013

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fa6ERdxyYdo>