GRADE 7: THE POWER OF DIGITAL FOOTPRINTS

## 回 Video Discussion

## What You'll Need: • Video • Student Handout • Student Handout (Spanish)

## Activity Steps

1. Introduce the video topic to students by saying: Today we're going to watch a video exploring what a digital footprint is and what yours conveys.
2. Show the What's in Your Digital Footprint? video (1:07 minutes). (Note: The video is also available in Spanish, and you can also use the video player to turn on subtitles.)
3. Lead a class discussion exploring the questions below.

Distance learning option: Have students watch the video and complete the handout. If there's time, have students share their responses during a video meeting.

## Discussion Questions

1. According to the video, what do the following images have to do with the term "digital footprint"?

- Alighthouse
- A copier
- A whisper in the ear
- A stadium and a jumbotron
- A permanent marker

Sample responses:

- The images show some of the things that make digital footprints unique. A digital footprint:
- Can be searched (lighthouse)
- Can be copied (copier)
- Can be shared widely (whisper in the ear, and stadium/jumbotron)
- is permanent (permanent marker)

2. How does it make you feel knowing that everything you do online is stored and can be searched for, shared, or even broadcast?

- Answers will vary.

3. What does it mean to have a positive digital footprint?

Sample responses:

- Emphasize that a positive digital footprint is one that portrays the real you that you are proud of and would be OK with other people seeing.

