

An introduction to **digital skills**

Let's talk about digital skills.

Why are they important?

Because no matter what you do with your career, digital skills will be a part of it. These skills are...

- **Your building blocks...**

...that help you confidently use technology to learn, create, and communicate.

- **Your personal toolkit...**

...for the modern world. Whether you're researching for school, applying for a job or staying in touch with friends, digital skills make it possible.

- **Your key opportunities...**

...because every job now involves using digital tools in some way. The more confident you are with technology, the more opportunities you can access.

Talking of tools...

What is a digital tool, and how does that compare to a digital skill?

Digital skills aren't just about knowing how to use specific tools. They're about how you apply them. **Tools will change over time, but the skills behind them are what allow you to adapt and work effectively in any role.**

If you're searching for something online, editing a photo, watching recommended videos, chatting with friends, or even asking your smart speaker to play a song, you're interacting with **digital tools**.

But there's more to it than just using these tools. Remember, it's equally important to develop your own digital skillset to stand out from the crowd.

