

Introduction to Teaching Tech

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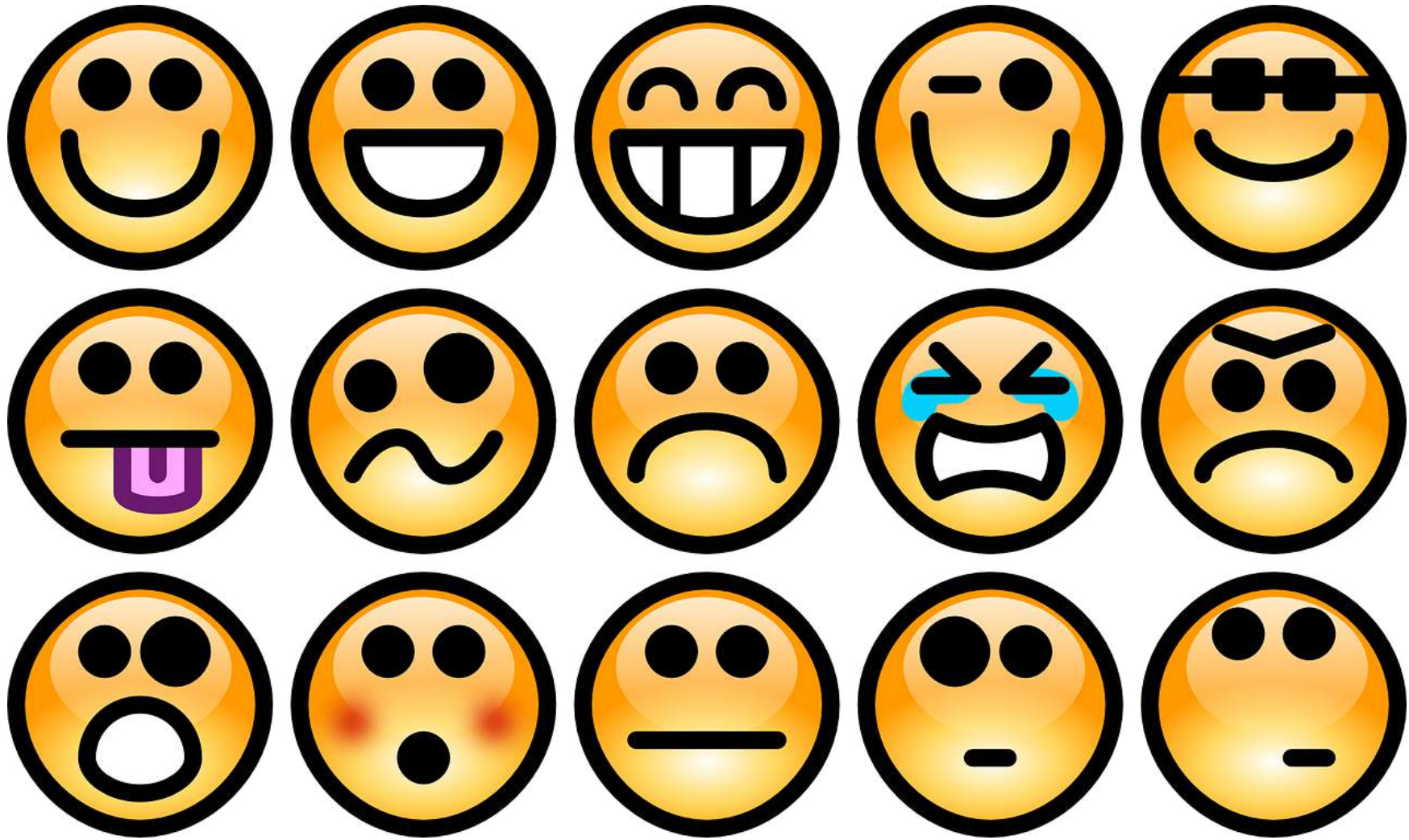


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Our time together



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- Keep it learner centred
- Explore the role of the tech tutor
- Identify strategies for tech learning
- Explore resources

Remember what it's like to be a learner



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Keep it learner centered

- write down clear learner made goals
- revisit goals often

Explore the role of the tech tutor



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Don't play the expert

- be a learner yourself
- find answers with your learner, not for them

Build confidence

- go from a place of strength
- find skills and gaps
- build in success and a feeling of accomplishment



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Pace it

- don't touch your learner's device if working in person
- sit on your hands
- break it down into small steps
- watch for cues that time is up



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Tech is a changing landscape

- help learners learn how to find answers
- remind learners to look widely and intuitively

Identify strategies for tech learning



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Spiral Learning

- revisit concepts
- look at learning as going deeper

Teach it three times

- Do an activity together.
- Have the student do the activity with support.
- Have the student do the activity independently.

Together ➡ **With Support** ➡ **Independently**

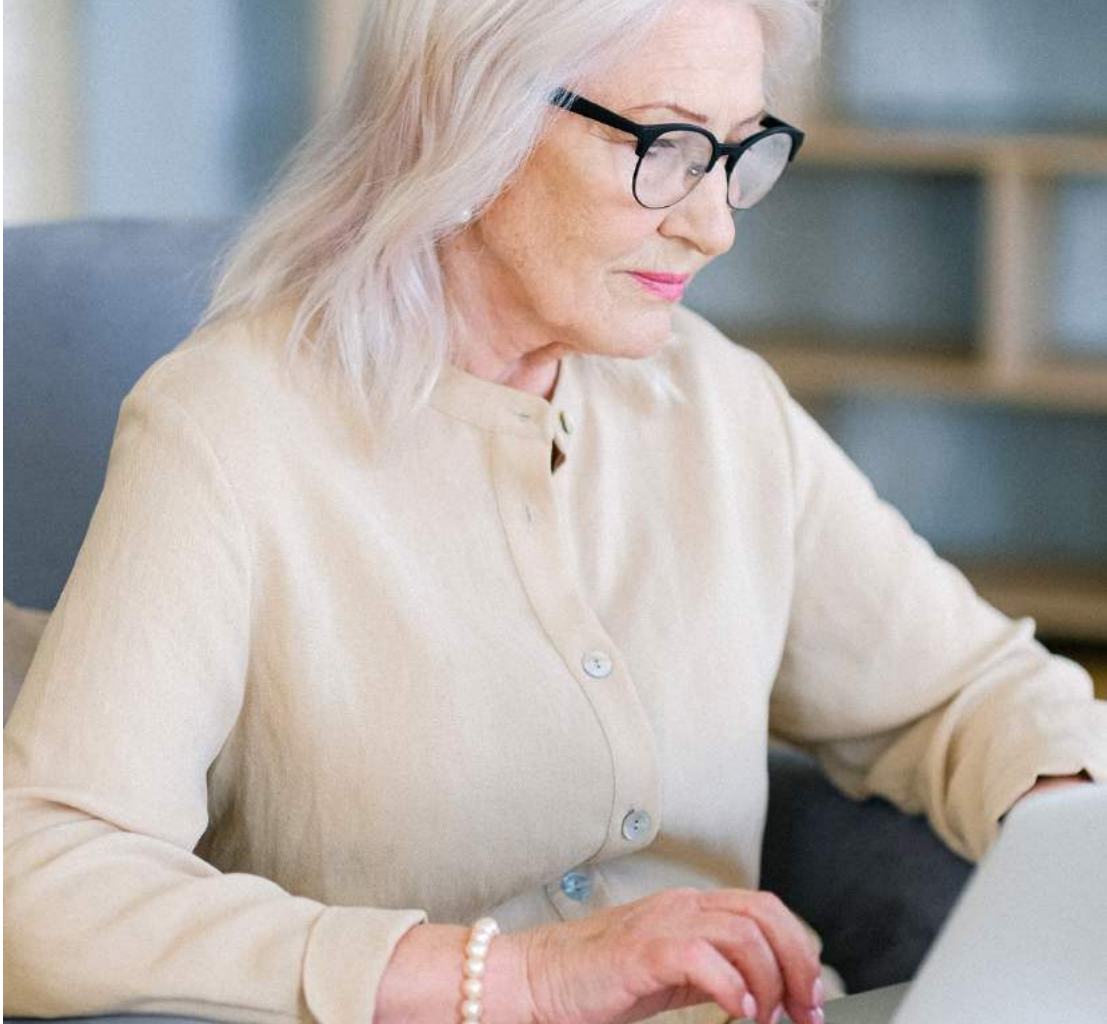


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Working with different ages

There may be challenges with:

- eyesight
- hearing
- slower information processing



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Build toward independence

- start by reviewing what you did last time
- review any practice activities done
- at the end, give activities to practice for next time

Goals for tech learning

- independence
- learning how to find the information you need
- knowing where to go to get instructional help



Explore resources

- [Your local Literacy Outreach Coordinator](#)
- [Decoda Literacy Library](#)
- [ABC Life Literacy Youth Teaching Adults](#)
- [TELUS Wise for Seniors](#)
- [GCF LearnFree.org](#)

Closing

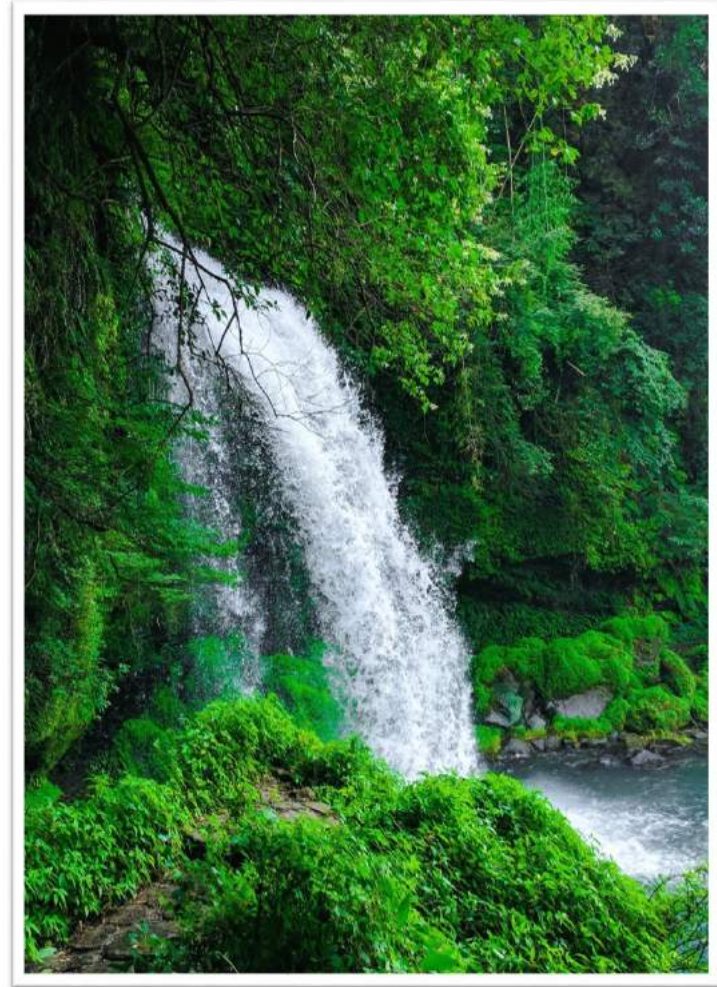


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