Topics in Social Sciences—Freshman Religion

“Privacy and Digital Footprints”

02 Oops! I Broadcast It on the Internet

Name: Hour:

**Introduction: (refer to class PowerPoint and type the points below)**

**Put your notes here…**

**Go back to the class website and in the Assignment page view the video “The Internet is not Private—Get over it”. List below the video’s main points.**

**a.**

**b.**

**c.**

**d.**

**e.**

**f.**

**g.**

**h.**

**Teach 1: Explore the Benefits of Sharing:**

1. 1. How can you share information for fun with others online? Fill out your diagram first and then let’s talk.
2. Examples of “information sharing” websites. Go to each of the sites and complete the tasks assigned.

* Click on the following link and complete the assignment. [Go2Web20](https://docs.google.com/a/clhscadets.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFJXVWoyWFJQRlFtMnZKbTdoWG1lN0E6MQ)
* Click on the following link and complete the assignment. [FriendFeed](https://docs.google.com/a/clhscadets.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEJKdU5ySlN3MFo2NFRWZE85OG1OaWc6MA)
* Click on the following link and complete the assignment. Place all of your pictures below. [flickr](https://docs.google.com/a/clhscadets.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dDF4R2doRjQwSXlRamlodVdCWVRRWEE6MA)

a. Month of the year picture is…

b. The two Christianity pictures are…

**Teach 2: Examine the Risks of Over-sharing:**

1. Video One—Eva’s Story. Click on the link and view the video and then answer the following questions.

[**Eva’s story**](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/video/modal/2078101)

* What kinds of things do you think Eva and her friend were IMing to one another?
* Do you think it was fair of Eva’s friend’s dad to look at the chat transcript?
* What might be the consequences for Eva of her dad knowing about the IM chat?
* Why might Eva have said things on chat that she wouldn’t say in person?
* What does Eva mean when she says, “Stuff online is not private”?

[**Brittney’s Story**](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/video/modal/2078102)

* Why do you think Brittney and her friends wanted to broadcast themselves in the first place?
* Brittney regrets posting the photos, but are there situations when you think it would be okay, even helpful, to get comments from others online? What are those situations?
* In what ways did Brittney’s actions impact her later? Can you imagine how the posts may impact Brittney in the future, even beyond college?
* Is there anything that you learned from Brittney’s story that made you think about incidents in your own life or your friends’ lives? If so, can you share those stories (leaving out personal details)?

**2. Case Studies:**

**Emma’s Secret Crush Goes Viral**

Over the past few weeks, Emma has developed a huge crush on José. She thinks he might like her too. She knows gossip travels like lightning at school, so she tells only her best friend, Chantal, by texting her after school: “Do you think Jose likes me? I kinda have a little crush on him.” Emma also swears Chantal to secrecy over the phone later that night. Though Chantal vows to keep her secret, she forwards Emma’s text to Zeke, who forwards it to a friend, who … you know the rest! The next day at school one of the soccer players, Ted, texts Emma: “Emma+Jose=so adorable”. Emma is shocked and embarrassed because she told only her best friend, and then swore her to secrecy.

* If you were Emma, what would you do when you got Ted’s text? Who is most at fault, if anyone, for spreading Emma’s secret?
* How would this situation be different if Emma had told Chantal about the crush in person instead of by sending a text message?
* How could Emma resolve or fix the situation herself? Is there a way she could make the situation better?
* Has anyone ever shared information about you or someone you know over IM, text, the Internet, etc. that you or they wanted to keep private? If so, what did you do?

**My Secret Diary … Sort Of**

Tommy has been writing an online blog about his life that he thought was pretty private because he used a user name that wasn’t his real name. But when his parents ask him why he decided not to try out for the basketball team, Tommy figures out that they have been reading his blog, because it’s the only place he describes being picked on for being so short. Tommy is annoyed and surprised because he never told his parents about the blog and certainly didn’t give them his user name to access it. His blog is technically public, but he didn’t think anyone could connect his blog with the “real” him. Tommy later finds out that his best friend’s parents told his parents about the blog.

* What would you say to your parents, if anything, if you were Tommy?
* How is Tommy’s parents’ reading his blog similar to or different from reading a diary that he’s written in a notebook or paper journal?
* Do you think it’s fair for his parents to read the things Tommy posts on the Internet, given that his blog is technically public? Why or why not?
* Why might his parents want to read his blog? Given these reasons, how would you react if your parents asked to read your email or text messages?
* Have you ever been in a situation where your parents or someone else has asked to read something that you felt was private? If so, how did you feel? What did you do?

**3. Making application to the daily living out of our Christian Faith…**

Read the following Bible accounts and then answer the questions that follow.

a. [Genesis 4:1-12](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%204:1-12&version=NIV1984)

1. What happened in the account?
2. Why did Cain think that what he did was private?
3. Why was Cain’s deed so public?

b. [2 Samuel 11:26-12:14](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2%20Samuel%2011:26-12:14&version=NIV1984)

1. What happened in the account?
2. Why did David think that what he did was private?
3. Why was David’s deed so public?

c. [Acts 5:1-11](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts%205:1-11&version=NIV1984)

1. What happened in the account?
2. Why did Ananias and Sapphira think that what they did was private?
3. Why was Ananias and Sapphira’s deed so public?

d. Finally explain the following statement…

**“Our Christian Faith is personal but it is not private!”**

**Type out our response below…**

**When you finish then copy and paste your response in the following form**[**—“Personal but not Private”**](https://docs.google.com/a/clhscadets.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dDdRSzRURll4Mjk3aVNUbjhYeEphY3c6MA)