

Webliography – Life Skills

This includes sites regarding financial literacy, debt and bankruptcy, identity theft and fraud, consumer financial protection, computer skills, and cyber safety.

Financial Literacy

- [FDIC Money Smart Computer Based Instruction](#)
From the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, for both individual use and as a supplement to classroom teaching
- [The Beehive: Money](#)
From One Economy, a global nonprofit based in Washington, D.C., "whose mission is to ensure that every person, regardless of income and location, can maximize the power of technology to improve the quality of his or her life and enter the economic mainstream"
- [Goodwill Community Foundation: Math & Money](#)
Offers basic, self-paced tutorials on money topics as well as mathematics
- [Jump\\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy](#)
A national coalition of organizations dedicated to improving the financial literacy of pre-kindergarten through college-age youth by providing advocacy, research, standards, and educational resources
- [Mymoney.gov](#)
From the U.S. Financial Literacy and Education Commission, this site links to a variety of federal government Web sites offering education, guidance, tools, etc. on a broad range of personal finance topics.
- [Project Money](#)
A set of practical how-to tutorials from the San Francisco Public Library
- [USA.gov--Money and Taxes](#)
Federal government portal to many government sites and sources of information

Spanish-Language Financial Literacy Sites

- [The Beehive: Dinero](#)
- [Community Corner: Centro Financiero](#)
- [FDIC Money Smart Computer Based Instruction](#)
Program from the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, for both individual use and as a supplement to classroom teaching
- [Mymoney.gov](#)
Site from the U.S. Financial Literacy and Education Commission
- [Su Dinero: Destrezas Prácticas para toda la Vida](#)
From Visa: Spanish language version of Practical Money Skills for Everyone
- [USA.gov--Dinero e Impuestos](#)
Federal government site's Spanish-language version of USA.gov--Money and Taxes

Debt, Bankruptcy, Etc.

- [About.com Credit/Debt Management](#)
Includes information about credit repair and paying off debt
- [FindLaw Bankruptcy & Debt Center](#)
This site provides information and resources to help if your debts are increasing and you're unable to pay your creditors on time. It also offers tips on common ways of managing your finances and dealing with debt, an overview of the bankruptcy process, and an explanation of your options should you decide to file for bankruptcy.
- [FindLaw: Foreclosure and Alternatives](#)
Provides explanations of mortgage and foreclosure basics, articles and links with steps and resources to help avoid foreclosure, a directory for finding a foreclosure attorney
- [MSN Money Decision Center: Debt Management](#)
Articles, how-to guides, and tools for managing debt
- [National Foundation For Credit Counseling](#)
A national nonprofit credit counseling network, with more than 100 member agencies and nearly 850 offices in communities throughout the country, its member agencies are often known as Consumer Credit Counseling Services (CCCS). The site also offers videos, tips, calculators and other educational and informational content.
- [Nolo.com: Bankruptcy, Foreclosure & Debt](#)
Articles, podcasts, frequently asked questions, forms, etc. on Chapter 7 bankruptcy and Chapter 13 bankruptcy, as well as other alternatives for managing your debt from a publisher of self-help legal guides
- [SmartMoney.com Debt Management](#)
Articles and columns on debt
- [Yahoo! Finance Debt Management](#)
Articles, how-to guides, and tools for managing debt

Identity Theft/Fraud/Scams

- [Identity Theft Prevention and Survival](#)
Site from Mari J. Frank, Esq., a survivor of identity-theft, and the author of several books on identity theft
- [Internet Scambusters.org](#)
Site offers information on identity theft, Internet scams, credit card fraud, phishing, lottery scams, urban legends, and how to stop spam
- [National Consumers League Fraud Center](#)
Site from National Consumers League created to give consumers the information they need to avoid becoming victims of telemarketing and Internet fraud and to help them get their complaints to law enforcement agencies quickly and easily
- [Privacy Rights Clearinghouse](#)
Nonprofit organization offering consumer information and consumer advocacy for personal privacy rights and protection

Consumer Financial Protection

- [U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)
This site launched in early 2011 and is still in progress as the new bureau is formed. Currently it offers educational and financial consumer protection information, referrals, and links, but the site will be expanded over time to include other services.
- [U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation \(FDIC\)](#)
The FDIC provides deposit insurance, which guarantees the safety of deposits in member banks. The FDIC also examines and supervises certain financial institutions for safety and soundness, performs certain consumer-protection functions, and manages failed banks.
- [U.S. Federal Trade Commission: Money Matters](#)
Offers information and links on topics such as debt, scams, job loss, home payments, and foreclosure
- [U.S. FFIEC's \(Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council\) Consumer Help Center](#)
Different types of banks, credit unions, and savings institutions have different federal regulators; this site helps to find correct federal regulator.
- [U.S. Office of Thrift Supervision](#)
A bureau of the U.S. Department of the Treasury that is the primary regulator of all federally chartered and many state-chartered savings associations, thrift institutions, and thrift holding companies, it handles consumer complaints.

Computer Skills

- [Custom Guide \(computer software skills\)](#)
Printable quick guides on popular computer programs such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint and operating systems such as Windows
- [HP Learning Center -Free Online Courses](#)
Register and sign in to take one of the many free classes, available 24/7, on digital photography, home office, Microsoft Office and Adobe, PC security and maintenance, business basics, graphic arts, and others
- [Evaluating Internet Resources: A Checklist](#)
A quick checklist of questions to ask yourself when you are evaluating a website, it covers topics such as authority, affiliation, currency, and purpose. It was developed by InfoPeople.
 - [ExcelTips](#)
Provides tips about Microsoft Excel form-specific topic links for information on charts, formatting, and page setup
 - [Finding Information on the Internet: A Tutorial](#)
A tutorial from the Teaching Library at the University of California at Berkeley that covers information from basic topics, such as “what is the World Wide Web?”, to advanced Internet searching techniques
- [General Instructions for Free E-mail Accounts](#)
Offered by the Los Angeles Public Library, this site details the types of information you need to have ready when creating an email account using a free service.

- [Gmail](#)
- [Hotmail](#)
- [Yahoo! Mail](#)
- [Microsoft Publisher Tutorials](#)
Provides information about using Publisher (2000, 2002, 2003, 2007, 2010), from getting started, creating a calendar, newsletter, and publicizing an event to creating Web content
- [Mouserobics](#)
This is a site from Scranton Public Library. It takes you through a series of exercises that increase in difficulty to practice using the mouse and clicking.
- [New User Tutorial](#)
This site is from TLN (The Library Network) Technology Committee, located in Michigan. It is designed to help people who have never used a computer before. The main focus is on using the mouse. Also available in Spanish
- [Search Engines Quick Guide](#)
This is a chart of the most popular search engines and their features. It includes information on truncation, Boolean searching, special features, and strengths of each search. Created by InfoPeople
- [Webopedia](#)
Dictionary and search engine for computer and Internet technology
- [Windows Basics](#)
Provides tips about the Windows operating system, including on: the elements of a window; moving a window; hardware vs. software; and cutting, copying, and pasting in Windows
- [WordTips](#)
Provides tips about Microsoft Word from topic links on headers and footers, bullets, and shortcut keys, or you can enter your question to receive an answer from the website creator

Cyber Safety

- [Child Safety on the Information Highway](#)
This document was written by Lawrence J. Magid, a syndicated columnist and technology commentator, who is author of *The Little PC Book* (Peachpit Press) and host of www.safekids.com, a web site devoted to keeping children safer in cyberspace. He is also the author of *Teen Safety on the Information Highway*, a free brochure that is published by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.
- [Internet Crime Complaint Center](#)
If you feel that your or another person's life is being threatened, please contact your local or state police immediately! Otherwise, a good place to report a problem is the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3). This is a partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C).
- [Internet Safety by Kids Health](#)
Safety tips for parents and their children.

- [Netsmartz](#)

A website with great videos, dedicated to keeping kids and teens safe on the Internet.

- [Stop Cyberbullying](#)

Explains what cyberbullying is, how to take action against it, and how it works