

# Creating a holiday blog

**Description:** Create an online blog to share ideas and information with close friends and family.

60+ MIN

MEDIUM

AGES 8–10+

ACTIVITY TYPE: BLOG



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# You will need ...

- Computer
- Access to the internet
- Stories about your holidays

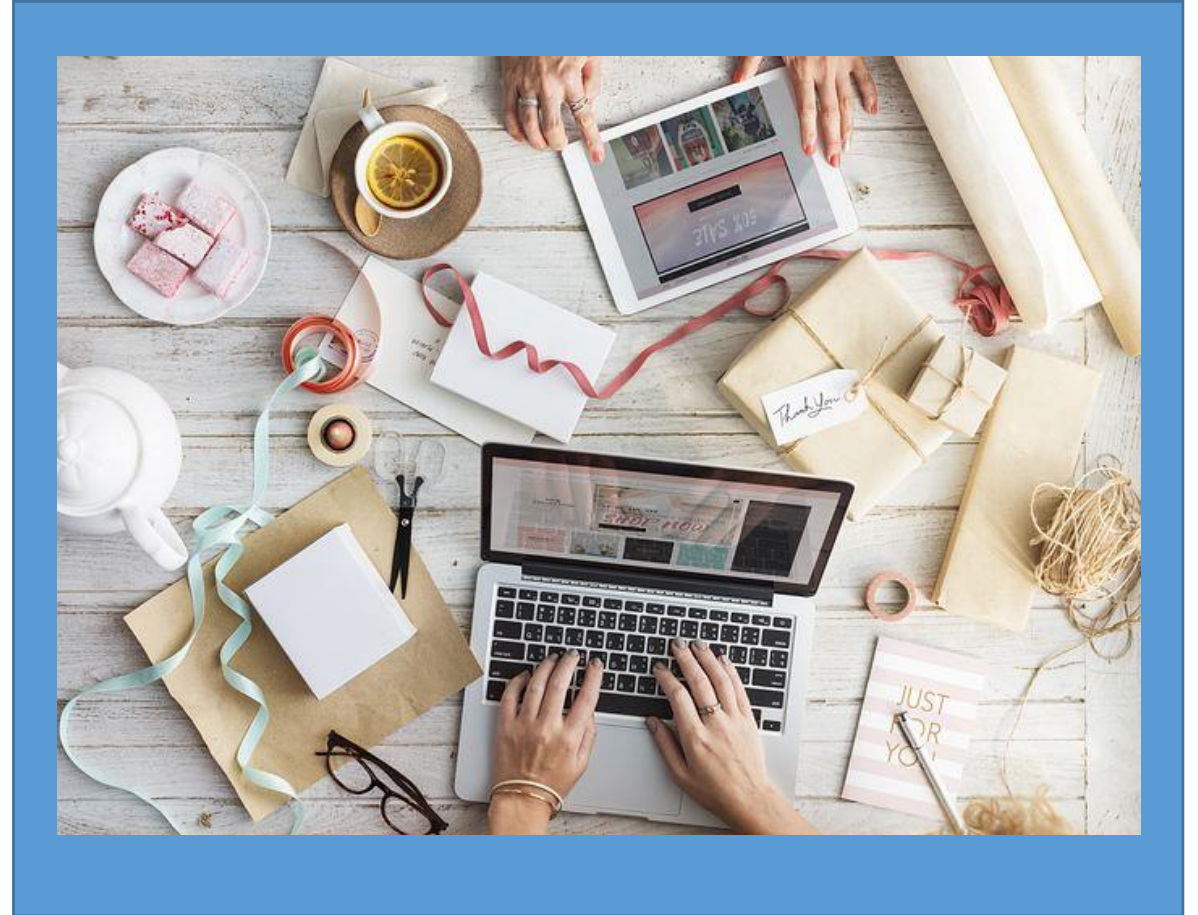


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# About the activity

This is a collaborative activity for you and your children. You can begin before or during the holidays.

Together, you will create a blog to document the activities the children participate in or places they visit during their break.

Even if you do not spend the holidays together, you can set up the blog prior to the break. Children can add to it during their time off. It can be shared with family and friends so that they can follow their adventures along the way.



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# A blog? What's that?

A blog is similar to a handwritten journal. The biggest difference is that it is shared online.

A blog can include images, videos, links and sounds as well as text.

For more information, look at the [How to start a blog](#) site.



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# Let's get started

## 1

- Choose a blogging platform to create your blog.
- If you are unsure, [read about possible blogging platforms.](#)



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# What's next?

## 2

- Plan and create your blog.
- You might like to include the following pages.
  - 'About me' page
  - \_\_\_\_\_ school holidays (eg Easter)
  - Appropriate blog content and rules

Tip: Start with just a few pages; you can always add more as you go.



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# What's next?

## 3

- Discuss cyber safety and ways you can be a safe and sensible blogger.
- Create a list of guidelines for your blog.
- [Go to a list of guidelines](#) from a years 3–4 class.

Tip: If you need ideas to start the discussion, go to [Get Safe Online: Blogging](#) for more information.



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# What's next?

## 4

Once your blog has been set up, you may like to discuss the types of activities you have planned for the holidays and talk about how to write a recount of them after the experience to post on the blog.

Tip: Remind your child to take videos and pictures while they enjoy their exciting adventures.



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# Congratulations!

## 5

Your blog has been set up. You can now begin to document and share the exciting activities you have been involved in during your holidays!

Don't forget to share the blog with friends and family so they can comment on your adventures!



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# Why we are learning about this

Online communication tools enable children to share ideas within and beyond their home environment (eg to collaborate and communicate with people in other locations; to create and publish work for a global audience; and to share ideas with friends and family around the world).

Children benefit from being able to communicate and collaborate with their family and peers. By working collaboratively through the steps to create a 'holiday blog' you are helping to:

- provide an online learning space for sharing ideas with friends and family
- create a blog where children can share ideas, apply agreed protocols and develop their digital identities.

Adapted from [Get Safe Online: Blogging](#).