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Get Online Week Event Ideas

Community organisations across Australia are getting involved in Get Online Week by hosting an event between 14 - 20 October 2019 to help their community can get the most out of the internet.

Whether it's a morning tea, selfie challenge or online scavenger hunt, hosting an event is a great opportunity for local people to receive local support in a friendly way. Here are some fun Get Online Week event ideas to get you started:

1. **Digital Scavenger Hunt** - Get your participants to practice searching online (eg. Finding a flight from Sydney to Adelaide or adding milk to your online shopping cart) in teams with prizes.
2. **Learn to filter** - Set up a couple of mobile devices with Instagram, Snapchat or Facebook apps so your participants can learn how to add fun filters to photos, videos and video calls.
3. **BBQ and Ask a Q** - Hold a sausage sizzle at your centre and invite your community to come along and ask any tech questions they may have. You can support them to learn by finding the answer together!
4. **Selfie challenge** - Ask your participants to take selfies and post them to social media. Don't forget to include the hashtag #getonlineweek so we can see all your fantastic photos!
5. **Learn to Decorate a Cupcake** - Ask your participants to find a tutorial on YouTube for cupcake decorating, and then give it a go as a team. Bonus: you get to eat the cupcakes afterwards!
6. **Morning Tea and 3** - Host a morning tea and show your attendees 3 tricks or tips they may not know about their device or ask them to have a go at 3 new activities they haven't done before online (from a list of suggestions you provide)
7. **Digital Petting Zoo** - Set up a range of devices in the room and let people have a go at using each one. Set them a simple task to try to complete at each device such as finding the email app or navigating to the Be Connected Learning Portal.
8. **Whatsapp?** - Learn about WhatsApp and set up a group for your class or community to keep in touch with each other.
9. **Holiday daydreaming** - Close our eyes and imagine you're in your dream holiday destination. Now open them and learn how to research holidays online! Who can find the best price for a trip to see the Northern Lights?
10. **Embark on a roadshow** - pack up your kit and take it on the road to reach new people in your community who may not be able to make it to your centre.