

## DIGITAL LITERACY

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### ETHICAL USE OF INFORMATION

(social responsibility)

Plagiarism: using other's ideas and words without clearly acknowledging the source of that information.

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( the same rules apply for print and digital sources)

You must give credit whenever you use:

- another person's ideas, opinion or theory
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### CITING SOURCES

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