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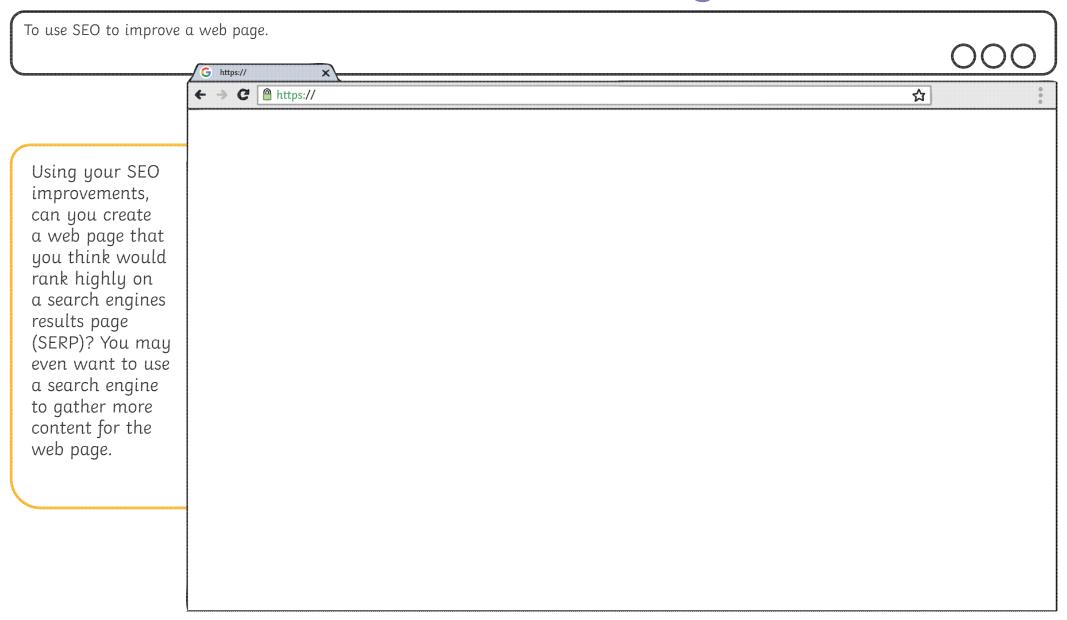
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Strategic Searching Online: Search Engine Optimisation

National Curriculum:

Use search technologies effectively, appreciate how results are selected and ranked, and be discerning in evaluating digital content.

Lesson Duration

It is estimated that this lesson will take approximately 60 minutes.



To use SEO to improve a web page.

Success Criteria

I can explain what SEO is.

I can explain why SEO is used on websites.

I can compare web pages against a specification.

I can suggest SEO improvements on a website.

Key Vocabulary

Search engine optimisation (SEO), search engine results page (SERP), marketing, server, user, target audience.

Resources

Lesson Pack

PC devices, such as laptops, Chromebooks and/or tablets

Why do the children think SEO is used on websites?

Highlighters

Preparation

Lion Facts Web Page Activity Sheet- one per child

one per child (as used in previous lessons)

It is advised that appropriate search engines are chosen prior to the start of the lesson.

In order to gather valuable data about how effective this unit has been and how much your children have understood the topic, we recommend completing the KWL Grid at the end of this lesson.

Prior Learning: Children should have a good understanding of search engines, search terms and web crawlers. They should be able to explain the page ranking program that search engines use when keywords are inputted.

Learning Sequence



Remember It: Three-in-a-Row: Use the Lesson Presentation to engage children in a game which recaps the whole unit so far. The Lesson Presentation explains the rules and provides both questions and answers.





SEO: Using the Lesson Presentation, briefly explain what SEO is and whose job it usually is.



The Journey of Your Search Terms: Use the Lesson Presentation to explain where SEO fits in, with regards to what the children have previously learnt about search engines. This slide explains the journey of how websites appear in our search terms.





SEO In Practice: Using the Lesson Presentation, explain some of the things SEO involves checking. This list is generalised to be age-appropriate. Each given criteria has a small, brief explanation. It is recommended that time is taken on this slide to ensure children have a good understanding.





SEO It: The Lesson Presentation asks the children to complete a particular search to look at top ranking web pages and to note why they believe these web pages are so successful in the page ranking.



Using what the children now know about SEO, why do they think these websites rank highly on a search engine?





SEO It: Use the Lion Facts Web Page Activity Sheet to allow children to use their knowledge of SEO to improve a fake web page and then create an improved version on paper.





Time to Share, Explain, Evaluate: Using the Lesson Presentation and Lion Facts Web Page Activity Sheet, children complete a peer review. Use the instructions and prompts provided to support the children with this task.





Putting It All Together: Children should go through their **Knowledge Organiser** and highlight all of the words they now know in one colour. If there are any words that they are still unsure of, children could ask a partner.



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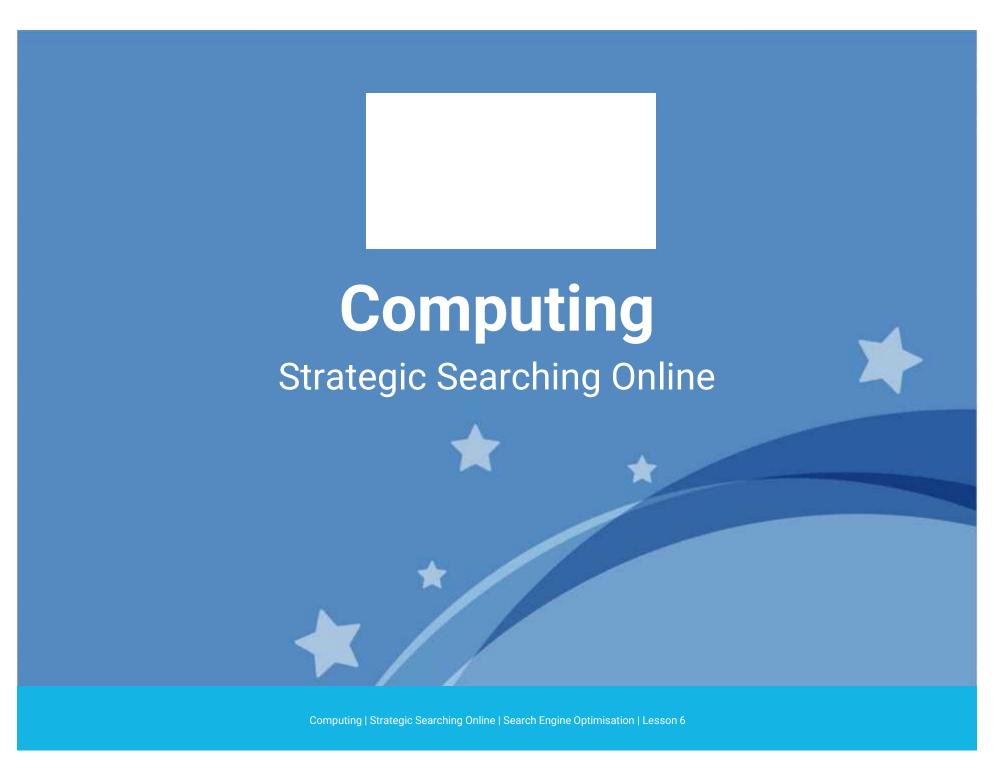
Designit: Children to use an online web page making tool to create a digital version of the web page they designed. The web page should not be published unless specified.

Displayit: Children to create a poster to display all of their new-found knowledge about search engines. The posters could form part of your assessment.

Assessment Notes:	
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Disclaimer:

This unit involves children searching on the Internet. Please be mindful of search terms/topics used and connotations that could result in inappropriate links and pages. Child-friendly search engines are advised. Ensure your firewall settings are set at the appropriate levels necessary and your anti-virus software is up to date. It is good practice to ensure screen content can be seen at all times and that children know what to do if they see something on the Internet that makes them feel uncomfortable.





Question Marks

You will spot question marks at certain points in this **Lesson Presentation**.

Clicking the question marks will bring up key questions.



The assessment questions that appear will enable you to check your understanding against the lesson aim and success criteria.

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Remember It Three-in-a-Row

Let's split into two teams to play Three-in-a-Row!

Name yourselves Team 1 and Team 2

Take it in turns to answer a question.

Click on each square to check if your answer is correct.

If you get the answer correct, click on your team number in the square. If you get it wrong, click on your opposing team number!

One correct answer is **one point**.

Three-in-a-row is an additional five points!

Keep trying to score points until all the questions have been answered.

Play

Three-in-a-Row

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What clues can help you decide if a web page can be trusted? What are the three Boolean operators that can be used in search engines? True or False? Search engines recognise all punctuation.

What is a web crawler?

What does URL stand for?

Where do all of the locations of web pages get stored in a search engine?

What top-level domain shows the web page is a government official?

How can you tell if a web page is secure using the URL?

Using which
Boolean operator
would provide a
broadened search?

Give one reason why a website may not show up anywhere in search results. Give **three**different types of
content a search
return result can
show.

Give **two** criteria that the page ranking program looks for on web pages.

SEO

Search engine optimisation (SEO) is when a person, or group of people use their knowledge of how search engine ranking works to boost a web page's ranking in a search engine results page (SERP).

Usually, SEO is done by someone whose job is in marketing. Their job is to increase the amount of clicks the web page receives and improve where the web page ranks in given search results.





Why do you think SEO is used on websites?



The Journey of Your Search Terms



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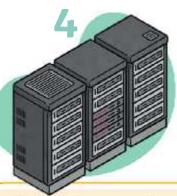


Web developers design and develop the web page using a basic specification given to them.

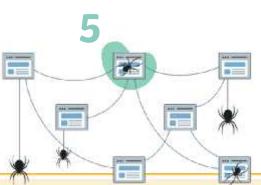


A marketing team will look at the web page to increases its potential ranking in search results by doing search engine optimisation.

The Journey of Your Search Terms



The web page is stored on a server and is now live and accessible to the public.

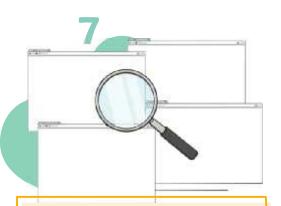


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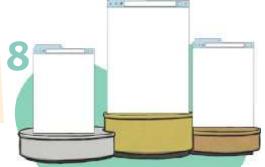
Search terms are inputted into a search engine by a user (someone like me or you).

Web crawlers will crawl the web page, store its location on the World Wide Web and other information about the web page, including what the web page is about. This information will be stored in the search engine's index.

The Journey of Your Search Terms



The search engine will look through its search engine index to find relevant web pages.



A page ranking program will sort through these web pages using given criteria and rank the web pages accordingly.



If the web page is not getting a lot of people clicking, the marketing team will do some more SEO.

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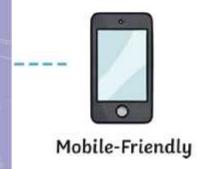
Social Media

By promoting your website on social media, you are likely to increase the volume of traffic to your page therefore improving its ranking on the SERP.

Hyperlinks

A web page has hyperlinks within its code. A user cannot see these links but links to other notable websites help to improve a web pages ranking.





Ease of Use

A website should be easy to navigate around and responsive to clicks by the user.

Readability

A user should be able to read the information with ease. This should be true on all devices.



Back



Organised Text

Making sure the text on the web page is organised into paragraphs or sections is important. Text on a web page shouldn't be too overwhelming.

Relevant Content

It's important to ensure the content of a website or web page is up to date. If a user wants facts about the current year, it is important that the website is updated every year. It is also important that the information on a website is relevant to the title and subheadings.

Correct Information

The information a website publishes needs to be accurate. A good way to check for accuracy is to look at other websites to see if your information matches theirs.

Images

Having relevant images on a website breaks up the text and makes the website easier to read.

Key words or phrases

It is good practice for a website to research on-trend key words and phrases and use these throughout their web pages. This ensures that if a user was to input these words into a search engine that website would be shown in the search engine results page (SERP).

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Using a chosen search engine, search the words 'lion facts for kids'.

Looking at the top-ranked websites (excluding Wikipedia), make notes about what you think makes that web page rank highly and what good SEO you think has been done.

Does the web page have:

- organised text?
- mobile-friendly?
- images?
- good readability?
- relevant content?
- correct information?
- ease of use?
- key words or phrases?

Tip

Adding 'for kids' or 'for children' to the end of your search terms is a great way to refine your search and help to ensure your search results are ageappropriate.



Good examples of web pages about **Lions**:

Click on each example for a closer look.



Lion

Panthera leo

Living in the grasslands, scrub, and open woodlands of sub-Saharan Africa, the lion is the second largest cat in the world. It is dwarfed slightly by the tiger, which is closely related and has a very similar body type.

Unlike other cats, lions are very social onlimals. They live in groups, called prides, at around 30 lions. A pride consists of up to three males, a dozen related females, and their young. The size of the pride is determined by the availability of food and water. If resources are scarce, the pride becomes smaller.



Pride members keep track of one another by roaring, Both males and females have a very powerful roar that can be heard up to 8 km (5 mi.) away.

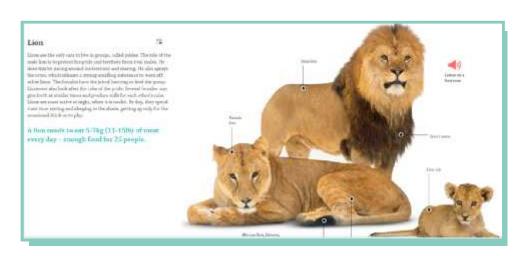


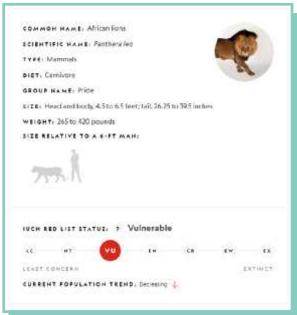
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Here is your task:

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What you need to know:

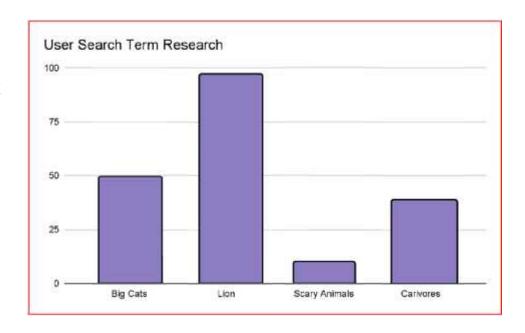
The web page is an information page all about lions. The target audience is for children ages 7+ studying lions for a science project.

What are you expecting to find on the web page?



Research has been conducted that will help you to improve this web page. Here are some recent search terms users have been searching for on a particular search engine.

Which key words do you think are really important to use in the web page?



Using the Lion Facts Web Page Activity Sheet, can you suggest some SEO improvements for the web developer?

Can you then create a better web page (on paper) for the developer to use?



Time to Share, Explain, Evaluate

Share

your SEO improvements with your partner.

Explain

what improvements you made and why.

Then listen to your partner as they explain their improvements.

Evaluate your partner's work on their Lion Facts Web Page Activity Sheet.

Did your partner spot anything you didn't?

Evaluate the improvements they made.



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Share

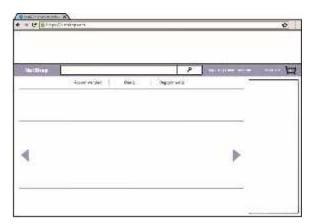
your new design for a web page.

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why you made those design choices and compare it to the original.

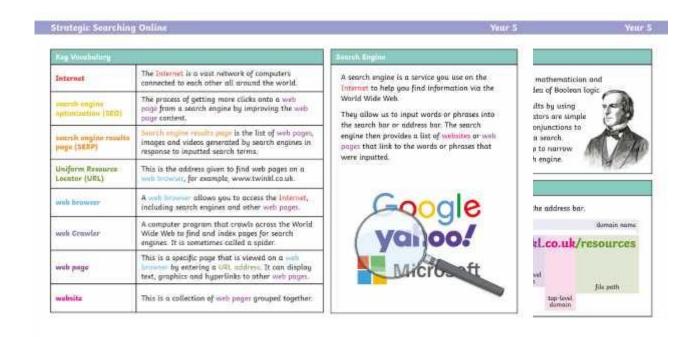
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your partner's web page design on their



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