

Digital Divide in the UK?

Lesson 1 Plenary Discussion Activity

Work in groups of four

- First, write a statement to answer question one and then write reasons to support your statement.
- Secondly, share your statement with the person sitting next to you.
- Finally, as a group discuss what the broad similarities and differences are between your various viewpoints.

Question 1: Should fast internet access be a right for all British citizens?

What reasons support the choice you have made?

[You might compare the need for internet access with the need for provision of: clean water, electricity, gas, sewerage, waste disposal services, free state education or free NHS healthcare. There are other technologies that people might expect delivery of as every citizen's right, including: telephone landline services, mobile phone reception, TV and radio access. As part of your response, you could rank the importance of all of these services – how does internet access compare with, say, the need for clean water in your list?]