By age eight, 90% of children have used a computer, 81% have played console video games, and 60% have played games or used apps on a portable device (cell phone, handheld gaming system, iPod, or tablet). (Source: Common Sense Media)

And IC3 Spark is the answer.

With a focus on younger demographics, the IC3 Spark certification addresses the same foundational concepts as its precursor – the IC3 Digital Literacy Certification. While both certifications target issues arising from the increasing demands of technology, IC3 Spark is created for younger children who may be new to computers and the Internet, or who lack a solid foundation in digital concepts.
“Rather than assuming that youth have innate technical skills, parents, educators, and policymakers must collectively work to support those who come from different backgrounds and have different experiences.”

(Source: Danah Boyd, It’s Complicated: The Social Lives of Networked Teens)

IC3 Spark Certification

Similar to the IC3 Digital Literacy Certification, IC3 Spark covers objectives spanning basic computing skills, key applications, and use of the Internet. However, as a single, 50 minute exam IC3 Spark is specifically designed for a younger audience and validates skills from three major objective domains:

- Computing Fundamentals
- Key Applications
- Living Online

Living Online

Covers skills for working in an Internet or networked environment.

Key Applications

Covers popular word processing, spreadsheet and presentation applications and the common features of all applications.

Computing Fundamentals

Covers a foundational understanding of computing.

IC3 Spark Is The First Step

The need for basic digital literacy skills is an issue that is becoming increasingly more relevant to a younger demographic. IC3 Spark delivers a viable solution for helping primary and middle school aged children learn and adopt critical skills that will be necessary for their success in a world where technology is constantly changing. As the first step in digital literacy, IC3 Spark is the ideal solution for helping students ignite a passion for technology and for helping them create a brighter future.

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