**What are 21st century skills?**

The 21st century skills are a set of abilities that students need to develop in order to succeed in the information age. The Partnership for 21st Century Skills lists three types:

[**Learning Skills**](https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/FAQ/what-are-learning-skills)

* Critical Thinking
* Creative Thinking
* Collaborating
* Communicating

[**Literacy Skills**](https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/FAQ/what-are-literacy-skills)

* Information Literacy
* Media Literacy
* Technology Literacy

[**Life Skills**](https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/FAQ/what-are-life-skills)

* Flexibility
* Initiative
* Social Skills
* Productivity
* Leadership