

Twitter Basics

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Today we will:

- Discuss what is Twitter, and how it is used.
- Create a Twitter account, and write our first Tweet.
- Attempt to find relevant information using our Twitter account.



What is Twitter?



A space to share ideas, information, and up-to-the minute news.

Started in 2006 by Jack Dorsey (@Jack), it began as a text messaging platform.



just setting up my twttr

Famously, the first Tweet described what was happening at that moment – and that same immediacy continues to drive users to this platform.



Who Uses Twitter?

- Your friends and neighbors
- Celebrities, politicians, and thought-leaders
- Private corporations
- Governmental institutions
- News and other media agencies





Oprah Winfrey @ @Oprah · Apr 17 So Proud of you @GayleKing! And you @ava for capturing the spirit of her in vour words, #Time100



Gayle King and Ava DuVernay



() 1.6K

↑ 1.5K

C) 16K

Media mogul Oprah Winfrey uses her Twitter account to cheer on fellow friends – while building off her own reputation.

A dash of irreverence + a legit citation + a human connection = brilliant branding





A dictionary emphasizes words frequently used today - and explains how their meaning change through our usage.

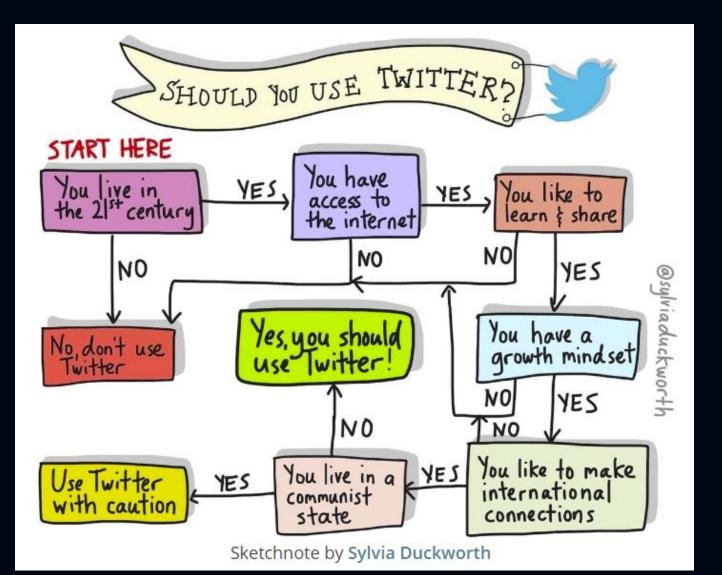




Why use Twitter?

- Connect to socialize or learn
- Raise awareness of particular causes
- Share your work or promote the work of others
- Engage with media through retweets, responses, and messaging







How To Use Twitter

- Create an account on Twitter.com
- Verify account with frequently used email address
- Use settings to label account public or private
- Start following folks





Skokie Library

@skokielibrary

The heart of a vibrant village.

- O Skokie, IL
- & skokielibrary.info
- Joined June 2008
- 1,060 Photos and videos















Tweets & replies

Media



Skokie Library @skokielibrary · May 23

Your favorite friends, Caitlin and Kathy, are back with another episode of Talkin' Books that's all about friends & neighbors!



Talkin' Books with Caitlin and Kathy: Friends & Nei...

Join Caitlin and Kathy as they review books about friends & neighbors as Skokie Public Library prepares for our annual Summer Reading program. If you like wh...



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Skokie Library @skokielibrary · May 17

See you this weekend at the Festival of Cultures! Meet our new book bike, sign up early for Summer Reading and much more!

"I will follow..."



To follow = to subscribe to an account's tweets

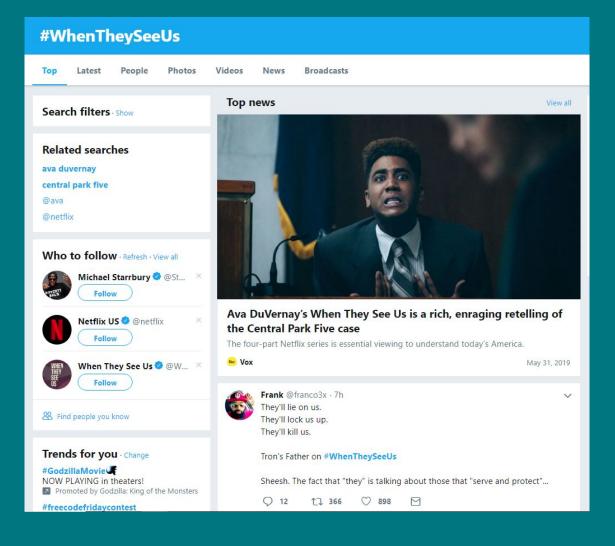


What makes a tweet fun?



- Short, simple, digestible
- Provides information or commentary
- Engages with other tweets (retweets or responses)
- Links to other media (pictures, video, GIFs)

#Hashtags



- Use the "#" symbol + topic to find tweets related to subject
- Add the "#"
 symbol + topic to
 your tweet if you
 want to make your
 content part of the
 hashtag



Understanding Trends

- Aggregates tweets to provide a collection of content
- Trends are determined by algorithm
- Algorithm prioritizes timing and relevance to your search terms

Chicago trends · Change

#WWDC19 d

Join us at 10a.m. PT on apple.co/live

Promoted by Apple

#MondayMotivation

95.9K Tweets

#TrumpUKVisit

Donald Trump arrives in the UK for his three-day state visit

#YesGSU

#ARMYSelcaDay

471K Tweets

Jared Kushner

75.8K Tweets

#mondaythoughts

20.1K Tweets

Buckingham Palace

Donald Trump arrives at Buckingham Palace to meet with the Queen

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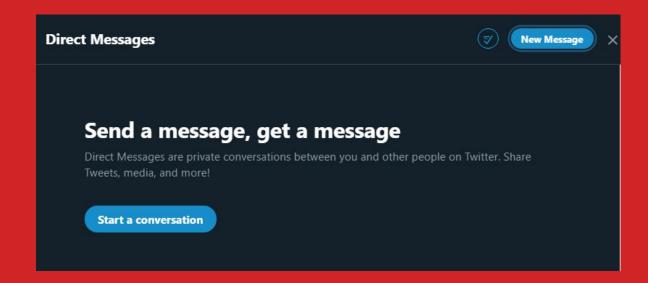
259K Tweets

Elaine Chao

51.6K Tweets



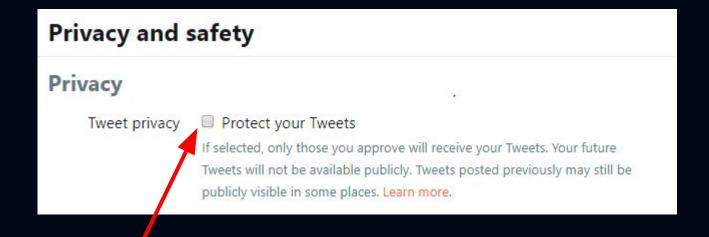
Slide into the DMs



- Direct messages (DMs) allow you to connect with fellow Twitter users.
- Messages are private (visible only to yourself and recipient)
- If you're open to receiving messages from any account, you can update that via "Settings."



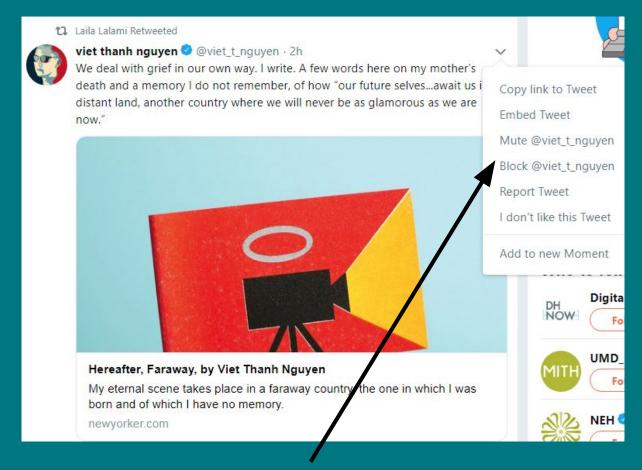
Protected vs. Unprotected Tweets



Checking this box ensures that your content is not publicly visible. The tradeoff? You can only engage with those who follow your Twitter account.



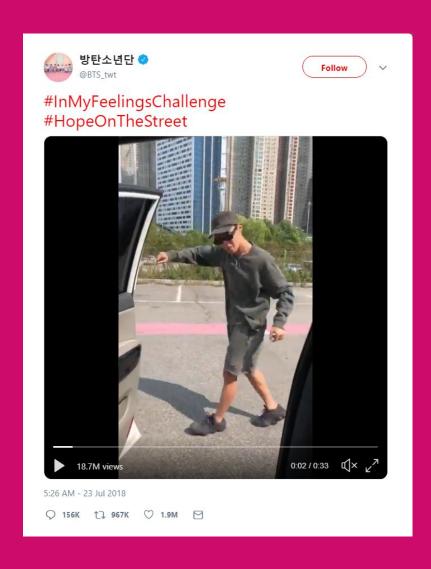
Mute, Block, Report







Have fun





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