

# Women's wall of internet firsts [starter activity]

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This activity is aimed towards acknowledging the various ways that women have interacted with the internet.

## Resources needed for this activity

A big wall that you can stick paper to, sticky notes. You can also prepare a linear timeline indicating years and people place their sticky notes on the timeline.

## Time required

Depending on number of participants and number of firsts, an hour.

## Mechanics

In this interactive session, participants will discuss questions and share milestones in their use of technology, such as:

- The first time you ever used a computer
- When you first visited a web page
- When you first understood a computer-based concept and what is it
- First time someone taught you something about tech that was really cool
- The first time you taught someone technical skills
- The first time you showed someone a website – what was it?
- The first time you attended a tech training
- First time you flirted with someone online
- The first time you tried looking for information about a topic and couldn't find anything about it on the internet
- The first time you experienced unsolicited sexual advances online
- First time you joined a group that shared a common interest with you on the internet – what was it?
- First time you felt unsafe
- First time you realised what kind of power the internet had – what was it?

Everyone will write down their short answers (date and / or topic) on sticky notes and pin them to the wall as they share. At the end of this activity, there will be a big wall of the first experiences the participants have had on the internet.

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