## **USING MEDIA**

Different application software can be used for different purposes. It is important to think about what the task is and select the most appropriate one.

The **application software** chosen allows different formatting techniques to be used.

**Formatting** can be using tools like **bold**, *italic*, <u>underline</u>, changing colour, font style and size, alignment and many more.

Formatting can be used for many reasons. Including to make text easier to read, easier for the audience to use, highlight important information or attract attention.

It is important to select the appropriate formatting for the audience

Images play an important role when using software. It is important that appropriate images are used, ones that meet the requirements of the audience and the purpose of whatever is being created.

When researching and reading stories online you need to check that they are **reliable**, **trustworthy** and **credible**. Anyone can upload content so it is not always accurate.

- •Check the source, find out which other sources are reporting it
- •Check whether other sites are saying the same thing,
- •Don't trust all the stories and all pictures
- Check for facts not rumours
- •Check any citations or references

When you are researching a topic you will come across a lot of useful information. Once the reliability and accuracy has been checked you may decide to use the information. Check the law

**Plagiarism** using someone else's work or ideas and using them as if they were your own. This can be any type of work either printed or electronic.

Citation the audience where the information came from. Anything that is used needs to have citations or references to the original work. the audience details about the source so that they can see that the source is relevant and recognised so they can find the source themselves if they want to.

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Making sure the item being created is successful and actually does what it was intended to do is important.

Setting **success criteria** should be determined at the start of the project and can be revisited frequently.

The success criteria should be clear and easy to follow.

A **blog** is simply a regularly updated website or web page, typically one run by an individual or small group, that is written in an informal or conversational style.