

Each of these websites have been apart of the research we have done for the Culture Shock workshop. Many of these contain valuable free resources for parents and each of them can serve to help you understand the media culture that saturates the lives of today's teens. Not all of these are religious sites so use discretion and discernment in viewing sites. Each should be used in moderation.

- www.media-awareness.ca – A great Canadian site that features articles for parents on media violence including scientific research.
- www.hollywoodjesus.com – Comprehensive site of articles about all things pop culture from a Christian perspective. Use discretion in using this site with your student as some of the media covered is age sensitive.
- www.pluggedinonline.com – Pop culture site of Focus on the Family. Gives music, movies, video game, etc. reviews from a conservative Christian viewpoint.
- www.mediafamily.org – One of the best sites for parents to get you up to speed on how teens are influenced by media. Lots of free resources!
- www.parentstv.org – Website of the Parents Television Council. They work toward decency standards on television. Give content reports on TV shows.
- www.tmz.com – Daily update of news concerning pop culture icons. Use discretion in viewing site as some of the language may be offensive.
- www.teenpeople.com – Online version of TeenPeople magazine. About as sappy as it gets for teen music and movie news and gossip.
- www.showbizdata.com – Gives you a week to week update on highest grossing movies. Register for free and you can see the latest news coming out of the biggest movie studios.
- www.cpyu.org – Incredible site on teen culture from the Center for Parent and Youth Understanding. Everything you could imagine to help parents understand what is happening in the lives of teens today.
- www.mtv.com – The #1 media site visited by teens. Take a regular look to see what it hot with teens. Sign up for weekly email of pop culture news.
- www.commonsemmedia – This is an excellent site with reviews of internet sites, comic books, video games, TV programs, and movies. Reviews are given by both parents and teens.
- www.frankwbaker.com – This is the home of the Media Literacy Clearinghouse. A wealth of educational tools to help teach teens critical thinking skills when it comes to media.