

**Career and Technical Education
Middle School Business
Phase III Learning-in-Place Activity**

E-Commerce and Online Shopping

What Do You Think?

Write a reflection of three paragraphs about online shopping. Your paragraphs should answer the following questions:

What are the similarities and differences between shopping in a brick-and-mortar store versus shopping in an online store?
What level of risk do you encounter when shopping online?
What can you do to safeguard yourself when buying something online?

What Would You Do?

Read the scenario and provide a one paragraph response explaining what you would do if you were faced with a similar situation. You will share your reflection with your teacher and classmates.

Scenario

Aaron is a 12th grader in high school. When he was a 10th grader, he decided that he needed to save some money for college. He started selling some of his personal belongings that he no longer used online. Over the years, he has successfully sold a video game console, an old bike, and numerous items of clothing.

His latest goal is to sell a pair of popular tennis shoes that everyone seems to want. He thinks they should be easy to sell. Sure enough, within 10 minutes of posting the shoes on social media, he has a buyer. He ships the shoes out to the winning bidder and starts thinking about his next sale item. A few days later, he realizes that the buyer never paid for the shoes.

What would you do if you were in Aaron's situation?