

Community

All the activities and projects that you will do in Unit 1: Technology and Community are about community. Most of us would define community as the place where we live—our neighborhood. However, a community can also be a group of people who share similar beliefs, values, customs, traditions, and goals.

Many of us belong to several communities, including school, religious group, and interest club communities.

- **To what communities do you belong?**
- **What do you know about the community in which you live?**
- **What might you want to learn about your community?**

You will explore and answer these and other questions during Unit 1: Technology and Community. During the first class sessions, you and your partner will use your technology and thinking skills to complete many activities involving some aspects of the community in which you live. During the last class sessions, you will work in a small group to create a presentation of your ideas about and solutions for a challenge facing your community today. This presentation may be shared with the leaders of your community.

For every activity and project you choose to do, you will need to plan, do, review, and share your ideas and work. All the activities and projects can be found in Unit 1: Technology and Community. Take five minutes to look through the Contents pages as well as the other pages in Unit 1: Technology and Community.

- **Which activities are you looking forward to doing? Why?**