# Media Masters Rock! – Critical Thinking Match-Up

#### Library Activity for Grades 3-5

Title: "Match the Mistake with the Media Master Move!"

Length: 15–20 minutes

## **Teacher / Media Specialist Instructions**

Use this printable worksheet after showing the *Media Masters Rock – Critical Thinking* video or while students are exploring the "Critical Thinking Characters" coloring pages.

#### Students will:

Identify each character's bad media habit (Their Mistake)

Match it with the correct Media Master Move

🔽 Discuss how each move makes the internet a smarter, kinder place

Encourage discussion and let students color their favorite "Media Master Move" at the end!

#### **Student Worksheet**

#### **Directions:**

Each character below makes a common *thinking mistake*. Draw a line to match the *mistake* with the *Media Master Move* that fixes it! Correct answers are shown below.

Character & Mistake	Your Media Master Move
Scroll Zombie Zack – Keeps scrolling and lets the feed think for him.	A. Be curious — check before you share!
<ol><li>Captain Knee-Jerk – Reacts instantly before thinking.</li></ol>	<b>B.</b> Think for yourself — don't just go with the flow!
3. <b>Go With The Flow Flo</b> – Follows trends without asking why.	C. Take breaks — you control what you watch!

4. <b>Re-post Robot</b> – Automatically shares everything without checking truth.	<b>D.</b> Post for kindness, not clicks.
<ol><li>Mean Maddy – Posts hurtful things for attention and popularity.</li></ol>	E. Check it before you share it!
6. <b>Meme Believer Cassy</b> – Thinks memes are facts.	<b>F.</b> Read the story — not just the title!
<ol> <li>Headline Harry – Believes clickbait headlines.</li> </ol>	<b>G.</b> Don't assume — ask questions first!
8. Overconfident Ollie – Thinks he's an expert after one video.	H. Keep learning — real experts never stop!
<ol> <li>Snap Judgement Sammy – Jumps to conclusions without looking for facts.</li> </ol>	I. Pause, breathe, then respond calmly.
10. <b>Everyone Says Ellie</b> – Believes something just because it's popular.	J. Lots of likes don't make it right!
11. <b>Echo Chamber Chad</b> – Only listens to people who agree with him.	K. Listen to different views — it grows your mind!

### **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Which character do you see the most online?
- 2. Which *Media Master Move* do you think helps the internet the most?
- 3. Which move do YOU want to work on?

# **Optional Creative Extension**

Have students **draw a new Media Master character** who solves one of these mistakes!

Give them a name, a catchphrase, and their own "Media Master Move."

# **Answer Key (for teacher reference)**

1-C 2-I 3-B 4-E 5-D 6-A 7-F 8-H 9-G 10-J 11-K

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