**Week 1, Lesson 4 Resources: Beyond Bitcoin**

The following resources were selected to provide an overview of the topic of Beyond Bitcoin. We would like to acknowledge the authors of the various web articles, videos, and papers for their insightful discussions and analytics which help formed the basis for some sections of the lessons and modules.

**Title of resource:**[**A Gentle Introduction to Blockchain Technology**](https://bitsonblocks.net/2015/09/09/a-gentle-introduction-to-blockchain-technology/)

Resource type: Website

Description: This article is a gentle introduction to blockchain technology and assumes minimal technical knowledge. It attempts to describe “what it is” rather than “why should I care”.

**Title of resource:**[**On Public and Private Blockchains**](https://blog.ethereum.org/2015/08/07/on-public-and-private-blockchains/)

Resource type: Website

Description: A blog posted by Vitalik Buterin, the founder of Ethereum. He goes on to explain the differences between the different types of blockchains.

**Title of resource:**[**What is Cryptocurrency. Guide for Beginners**](https://cointelegraph.com/bitcoin-for-beginners/what-are-cryptocurrencies#accept-as-payment-for-business)

Resource type: Website

Description: An easy to understand guide on cryptocurrencies, including its history and future.

**Title of resource:**[**2017 Was Bitcoin's Year. 2018 Will Be Ethereum's**](https://www.coindesk.com/2017-bitcoins-year-2018-will-ethereums/)

Resource type: Website

Description: The following article written by Jez San, CEO of FunFair Technologies, an Ethereum-powered casino platform, explains why Ethereum will continue to evolve throughout the year 2018.

**Title of resource:**[**What is Cryptocurrency: Everything You Need To Know**](https://blockgeeks.com/guides/what-is-cryptocurrency/)

Resource type: Website

Description: This introduction explains the most important things about cryptocurrencies and where they are headed.

**Title of resource:**[**What is the Difference Between Public and Permissioned Blockchains?**](https://www.coindesk.com/information/what-is-the-difference-between-open-and-permissioned-blockchains/)

Resource type: Website

Description: An article that introduces a description of the three technologies that make up blockchain technology: cryptographic keys, a distributed network and a network servicing protocol.