**Library internet**.

“The Internet is library.” You will hear this kind of statement a lot from people who know very little about either.

If the internet is a library, it’s a strange one indeed. For starters, there is no indexing system. At any rate, the books are not arranged on numbered shelves but scattered on the floor. A lot of what is in the books is untrue, even in the non-fiction ones. There is no librarian, and no information desk. Did we mention also that the lights are turned off?

What is more, you can make as much noise as you like when using the internet, while at the same time collecting facts and figures (and fiction and music and video and sports results and weather reports and recipes) from the all around the world.

In fact, the principle use of the internet is for e-mail; a way of sending messages from your computer to someone else’s computer whether in the next room or in a different hemisphere, 16 Think of this as your chance to borrow knowledge and skills, you won’t ever be asked to return, and become part of an online electronic community.

Welcome to the internet Age.

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