

Opening Doors: Digital

Information for Schools

What is Opening Doors: Digital?

Following the success of Tantrum's established theatre-in-education program, Opening Doors, which has toured to schools across NSW for almost 10 years, Tantrum is pleased to launch a new, online version called **Opening Doors: Digital**. This program aims to educate and empower young people to engage in healthy, respectful relationships through an accessible and interactive online experience.



Opening Doors: Digital consists of two parts:

Part 1 – Students navigate an interactive story told through film, image, text, and audio.

Part 2 – Teacher leads students through a discussion task and then guides students to explore support resources.

The program is designed to be delivered in the classroom environment.

What is the story?

15-year-old Zoe Lee is an aspiring musician and content creator who has just launched her new online platform, and you are one of her first subscribers! Watch and comment on her vlog posts and submit suggestions of what she should call her debut single! Through her website, Zoe shares aspects of her life, such as her new video series with her best mate Liam, social media snaps, and mini curated stories. Zoe's public life is #goals, but once you connect your device to her phone, you see that some of the relationships in Zoe's life are not what they seem.

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Opening Doors: Digital is an immersive online experience where students engage in Zoe's story through interacting with her public, curated videos, and viewing her private exchanges with family and friends. While Zoe attempts to make everything in her life look great, the truth inevitably comes to light.

Opening Doors: Digital addresses the issues of domestic violence and image-based abuse, and supports students to understand how to access help and what support is out there. Zoe's story is not unique; these crimes can happen to anyone, and this dynamic program supports students to identify healthy and unhealthy relationships, and appropriate avenues of support.

Technical requirements:

- Each student requires a desktop or laptop with headphones
- The classroom teacher requires a smartboard or PC with projector for group discussion task
- Internet access
- Chrome browser

Accessing the Program

The program is offered for free to schools in the Lake Macquarie region in 2022/2023, thanks to funding from the NSW Government Stronger Country Communities Fund.

Teachers will receive access to the program 2 weeks prior to the planned dates of classroom delivery. This will enable teachers who are delivering the program to review the materials first and familiarise themselves with the follow up discussion tasks.

Content Warnings

The Opening Doors: Digital program addresses the topics of domestic and family violence, and image-based abuse (sexting). The online content includes coarse language and some confronting scenes. Some students may find this content distressing. It is recommended that your school counsellor is informed of the program's delivery dates in your school, and available to provide support to students as necessary.

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