Practicing at Home: Learning from Bourdieu about the Digital Divide



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How is knowledge of digital media converted into educational or occupational advantage?

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Through an extended analogy between the piano and the computer, Professor Seiter demonstrates Bourdieu's relevance for an expanded vision of digital literacy—one that would forefront the material and social inequalities that define children's lives in the United States in the 21st century.

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