You're going to love the all-new White Pages

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Remember when phone books were used for everything? It gave kids an extra boost at the dinner table, it propped up bookshelves and it was the best way to find a phone number or address when you needed to look someone up. But even though phone books were the best way to find people and businesses back then, the Internet has made them obsolete. And sadly, getting to know your neighbors is a practice that's also fading away. But, it doesn't have to be.

You can get to know your neighbors the easy way with the brand new digital tool from the creators of the White Pages. This handy site combines the traditional phone book with modern social networking technology to help you build relationships with the people you see every day.

You can easily find out lots about people starting with just their address.

White Pages Neighbors
The name says it all. White Pages Neighbors helps you find out more about the people who live near you. All you have to do is type your address in the White Pages search bar and the site will pull up a satellite map of your block.
You can click on nearby homes to see who lives in them and even find out more about them. The description could list the resident's name, age and other info, depending on what is available.

Now, this isn't a license to stalk your neighbors. Be sure to use this information responsibly. Also, some of the links available on the site may take you out to third-party websites, so exercise caution if you're going to another site.

White Pages obtains its information from public sources and third-party data suppliers. Any of your information can be removed or changed at any time.

Link: http://www.whitepages.com/neighbors

Remove yourself from people search sites

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Anybody who's willing to pay online information brokers - also known as people-search sites - can learn your phone number, address, criminal record and a lot more. Primary data brokers like Intelius collect information from public records. Secondary data brokers like Spokeo aggregate information from primary brokers and add data collected from social networks and other online sources.

If you truly want to disappear from the Internet, you should search for yourself on these sites and remove yourself from their databases. The privacy company Abine had a paid service called DeleteMe that removes your information from 25 major data vendors and makes sure you aren't added back. If you don't feel like paying, Abine also provides instructions for opting out of each service.

Each site's opt-out procedure is different; some even require letters and faxes! It will take some time, but it's worth it to preserve your privacy. You'll want to regularly check to make sure your information hasn't been put back

Link: http://www.abine.com/optouts.php

Learn Basic Programming Skills

The website for learning programming skills is code.org