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Key Words: UNESCO

COVID-19 Education and Technology Gaps

These words appear again and again in this committee's report, videos and debates. Knowing them helps you understand other delegates quickly and speak with confidence. Read each meaning, then write a short note or example of your own in the last column.

Word	Meaning (Oxford Learner's Dictionaries)	My note
digital divide	the very large difference in opportunity between people who can easily access computers and the internet and people who cannot	
connectivity	the state of being connected; the degree to which two things are connected	
broadband	a way of connecting to the internet that allows you to receive information, including pictures, etc., very quickly and that is always active (so that the user does not have to connect each time)	
pandemic	a disease that spreads over a whole country or the whole world	
curriculum	the subjects that are included in a course of study or taught in a school, college, etc.	
literacy	the ability to read and write	
bandwidth	a measurement of the amount of information that a particular computer network or internet connection can send in a particular time. It is often measured in bits	
equity	a situation in which everyone is treated equally	
infrastructure	the basic systems and services that are necessary for a country or an organization to run smoothly, for example buildings, transport and water and power supplies	
privacy	the state of being alone and not watched or interrupted by other people	
dropout	a person who leaves school or college before they have finished their studies	
access	the opportunity or right to use something or to see somebody/something	
pedagogy	the study of teaching methods	

Meanings: Oxford Learner's Dictionaries, oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com, Last Accessed: November 7, 2026.