

## **Eight Tips for brothers who wish to support their sisters in STEM<sup>1</sup> subjects and the tech sector**

- 1. Treat every woman or girl online as you would treat your sister – with respect**
- 2. Help your sister learn more about the safe use of digital technologies**
- 3. When she asks you to do something technical for her, help her instead to learn how to do it for herself**
- 4. Help your sister with domestic work at home so that she also has time to work in the tech sector if she wants to.**
- 5. Drive her to and from work if you are able to, or find her safe public transport**
- 6. Make sure that she has as good access as you do to the same digital technologies that you use.**
- 7. Support her in the life choices to which she aspires (including education and working before and after marriage)**
- 8. Don't force her to marry someone who does not support her life goals.**



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<sup>1</sup> STEM = Science, Technology, Mathematics and Engineering

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