

Staying Safe on the Internet



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What is the Internet?

The internet is an 'interconnected network' of computers.

All around the world there are billions of computers connected by Wi-Fi and cables that share information between each other.

You can get onto the Internet using a laptop, a computer, a tablet and even a mobile phone!



What Do You Use the Internet For?

- watching TV shows
- playing games
- watching videos
- finding things out
- learning at home



'You can have a lot of fun on the internet and learn about lots of interesting things!'

But...

Who do you think owns the Internet?

Who do you think decides what can be put on to it?

- No one owns the Internet.
- No one decides what can be put on.
- The Internet can be used by anyone.
- Anyone can add things to it!
- Not all of the things that are put on the Internet are for children.



How to Stay Safe on the Internet

Always ask a grown-up before you go onto the Internet.

Grown-ups can help you to use the Internet safely.



How to Stay Safe on the Internet

Always check with a grown-up if you want to try out a new website.

Remember, anyone can add things to the internet and not everything is suitable for children.

Grown-ups can help you to find a website that is fun and safe for children.



How to Stay Safe on the Internet

Sometimes, things can pop up on your screen and you don't know what they are.

Never click on things that don't look like they should be there!

Always tell a grown up if something pops up that you don't like the look of.



How to Stay Safe on the Internet

If a stranger came up to you in the street, talked to you and asked you to go with them because they had something really good to show you, would you go?

You wouldn't talk to a stranger if you met them in the real world. Never tell people on the Internet your name, where you live, or which school you go to.

Just like in the real world, the Internet has people who can be both kind and unkind using it.

If anyone tries to send you a message or chat to you when you are using the Internet, you should tell a grown-up.



Stay Safe Online

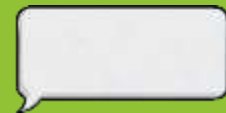
So how can we use the Internet for all the fun things but still stay safe?

Always tell a grown-up when you are using the Internet and let them help you to choose safe websites.



Always tell a grown-up if something you are not expecting comes onto your screen.

Always tell a grown-up if someone you don't know sends you a message or tries to speak to you on the Internet.



Be SMART when using the Internet

S

Safe: You wouldn't give a stranger on the street personal information, so don't do it online. Stay safe by not posting or sharing information (name, address, password etc.).

M

Meeting: It is dangerous to meet someone that you have talked to online but never met. Never go without telling someone and always ask permission from parents or carers - they need to come with you!

A

Accepting: There are loads of ways to download information on the Internet. Accepting emails, internet messages, text or pictures from a source you don't know (a person or company etc.) may contain viruses or inappropriate information!

R

Reliability: Just because it is on the Internet does not mean it is true. Anyone can add or edit information on the Internet, or even lie about who they are! Try to stick to websites you trust for information and only chat to friends and family.

T

Tell: If anything happens that leaves you feeling worried or uncomfortable when using the Internet, you need to tell someone. The best people to talk to are trusted adults - parents, carers, teachers etc.



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