

Safer Internet

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What is Safer Internet?

- ▶ Safer Internet is often defined as the safe and responsible use of technology.
- ▶ This includes the use of the internet and also other means of communication using electronic media (e.g. text messages, gaming devices, email etc.)
- ▶ Safer Internet can be called as 'internet safety', 'online safety' or 'web safety'.

The Three Areas of Safer Internet Classification

1. **Content** - being exposed to illegal, inappropriate or harmful material. E.g. Violent and cruel content, content encouraging self-harm, crime etc.
2. **Contact** - being subjected to harmful online interaction with other users. E.g. Cyber Bullying
3. **Conduct** - personal online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes, harm.

How to be Safe When You Are Online?

▶ Be SMART.

S - Safe

M - Meeting

A - Accepting

R - Reliable

T - Tell

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S SAFE

Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information when you're chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

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MEETING

Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present. Remember online friends are still strangers even if you have been talking to them for a long time.

ACCEPTING

Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

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P RELIABLE

Someone online might lie about who they are and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information with other websites, books or someone who knows. If you like chatting online it's best to only chat to your real world friends and family

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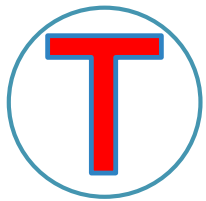
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Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

Thank You!

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