

Safer Internet Day



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The theme for Safer Internet Day 2023 is 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'.



Going Online

Talk
About
It

When do you go online? Why do you go online?

We go online for lots of reasons including:

- watching TV shows
- playing games
- watching online videos
- talking to friends
- finding out things
- homework

The Internet can be loads of fun!



But...

Who do you think owns the Internet?

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

Who makes sure the things on the Internet are truthful and real?

No one owns the Internet. No one decides what can be put on.
The Internet can be used by everyone and everyone can add things to it!

Talk
About
It

Trust means to be able to count on someone and know they are telling the truth. Do you think you can trust everything and everyone on the Internet?



Would You...?

Talk to your partner about these two different situations. Tell them whether you would or wouldn't do each thing and explain why.

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?

If a stranger came up to you and told you they were giving away free televisions in a house up the road, would you believe them?

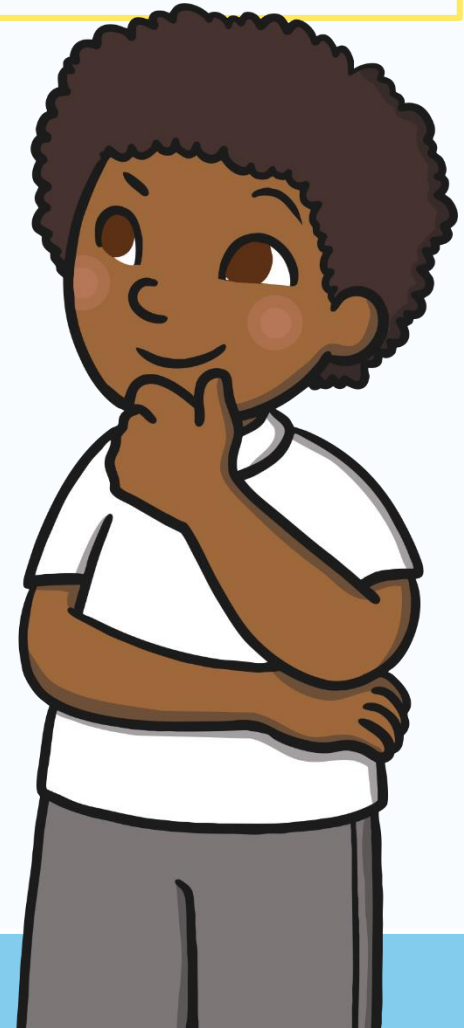


Would You...?

Here are some important things to remember when you are online.

Just like in the real world, the Internet has both nice and unkind people using it.

There might be people who want to help you and people who may want to trick you or be unkind to you. But you can't see the people using the Internet and it is hard to tell who is trustworthy and who isn't!



Stay Safe Online

- Remember, anyone can use and add things to the Internet. This means that we can't always trust what we see on it.
- We can't always trust that people who want to talk to us on the Internet are trustworthy.
- We can't always trust the websites on the Internet. Some may have viruses that can stop our computers from working properly!

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



How To Stay Safe

- Try to only use websites you know can be trusted. If you aren't sure, ask an adult!
- Try to use websites that are for children as much as possible.
- Remember, some people might pretend to be children to talk to you. Never give out your name or address! We don't really know who we are talking to when we chat through the Internet.
- Never arrange to meet an online friend. If someone online asks you to meet them, tell an adult you trust right away.

Remember if you aren't sure about anything, always ask a trusted adult.

