Online Safety 101 and Resources
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Welcome

We are first-generation Internet parents

- Our children are the first generation to be born and raised with the Internet as part of their everyday lives.

- Our children know more about the Internet than we do!

Topics for Today…

- Please note this is just 101, we are going to touch on each topic lightly

  - The Basics
    - How Children Get Online
    - What Children Do Online

  - Online
    - Social Media Sites and Applications
    - Texting and Instant Messaging
    - Video Chatting/ Gaming
    - Gaming

  - Dangers
    - Sharing Information
    - Sexting
    - Sexual Solicitation
    - Cyberbullying, etc

  - Resources

How Children Get Online

- Mobile devices, including cell phones

- Laptops and personal computers

- Video game consoles

What Children Do Online

- Visit virtual worlds

- Play multiuser games

- Text or instant message one another

- Post profiles and interact with others on social networking sites

- View and post videos

- Download music, movies, and more

- Create and upload art
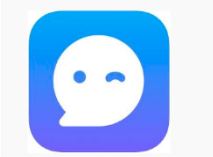
- Do research/ homework

Social Networking Sites

- Popular social networking sites:
  - » Instagram
  - » Facebook
  - » Twitter
  - » Snapchat

- Users create "profiles."

- Communicate with friends.
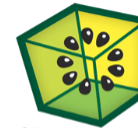
- Find people with similar interests.

Guess the Social Media Site/ Application?
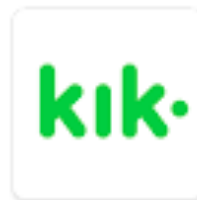
Texting and Instant Messaging

- These allow children to "talk" with friends at any time on the computer or a cell phone

- Texting and instant messaging has replaced email as a preferred method of communication

What does these acronyms mean?

- LOL= _____
- QQ=_____
- FWB =_____
- ASL=_____
- FYEO=_____
- BRB=_____
- TMI=_____
- MOS=_____
- P911=_____
- PAW=_____
- WTH=_____
- WRYN=_____
- RYS=_____

What does these acronyms mean?

- LOL= _____LAUGH OUT LOUD_____
- QQ=_____CRYING _____
- FWB =_____FRIENDS WITH BENEFITS_____
- ASL=_____AGE/SEX/LOCATION_____ _____
- FYEO=___FOR YOUR EYES ONLY_____
- BRB=_____BE RIGHT BACK_____
- TMI=_____TOO MUCH INFORMATION_____
- MOS=_____MOM OVER SHOULDER_____
- P911=_____PARENTS ARE IN ROOM_____
- PAW=____PARENTS ARE WATCHING_____
- WTH=_____WHAT THE HELL_____
- WRYN=_____WHERE ARE YOU RIGHT NOW_____
- SWYP=____SO WHATS YOUR PROBLEM_____

Video-Sharing Sites

- Popular video-sharing sites:

    » YouTube

    » Vimeo

    » Twitch

- Users view and post videos

- Post and read comments about the video content

Online Games

- Consoles like Xbox Live are increasingly connected to the Internet, allowing kids to play against friends and strangers

  » PlayStation
  » Nintendo Switch
  » Dreamcast

- Many allow players to talk in real time using headsets and microphones

  Kids may be exposed to "trash talk" or worse

- Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2gGdPIFCg_8.. Start at: 1:36

Popular Online Games for Children

Fortnite Battle Royale

Dota 2

PlanetSide 2

Path of Exile

League of Legends

Hearthstone

Star Wars: The Old Republic

Topic #2 Online Dangers

- Sharing Information

- Virus and spyware

- Sexting

- Sexual Solicitation

- Cyberbullying

- Disturbing content

Sharing Information

- Never reveal:
    » Name
    » Address
    » Phone number
    » School name

- Don't post or send photographs of yourself

- Choose a nondescript screen name

- Any bank account information

- DO NOT SHARE PASSWORDS

Virus and Malicious Files Spyware

Your computer may become infected with viruses and spyware through:

» downloads

» emails

» peer-to-peer networking

» infected websites

» Video:
https://www.youtube.com/wa
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Messaging/ Sexting

- Sexting is sending, receiving, or forwarding sexually explicit messages, photographs, or images, primarily between mobile phones, of oneself to others. It may also include the use of a computer or any digital device

- Sexting of a minor receiving or sending is a Federal Offense. A minor can be charged, even if it is sent to another minor

Sexual Solicitation/ Predators

- Masquerade as other children or kindly adults

- Trick children into revealing personal information

- Lure children and teenagers into meeting them in person

- **Grooming** is when someone builds an emotional connection with a child to gain their trust for the purposes of sexual abuse, sexual exploitation or trafficking.

- Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IUjwHPah72o

Cyberbullying

- Posting or forwarding a private text or embarrassing image to others

- Tricking someone into revealing embarrassing information and forwarding it to others

- Spreading malicious rumors

- Stealing passwords

- Popular website for cyberbullying: Facebook, Twitter, Askfm, Reddit, 4Chan

Other Inappropriate/ Disturbing Content

- Pornography

- Excessive Violence/ News

- Hate Speech

- Stalking

- Risky or Illegal Behaviors

Topic #3 Resources/ Things you Can Do

- Make sure your child knows:

  » Don't respond

  » Contact an adult right away

  » Block the offender

- Notify your internet service provider, if warranted.

- Notify CyberTipline www.cybertipline.com

Basic Ways To Keep Your Child Safe

- Sign an "Internet Safety Contract."

- Keep the computer in a public area of your home.

- Set a time limit for computer use.

- Become familiar with the sites your child visits.

- Know your child's online "friends."

- Know your child's passwords.

- Keep your security software up to date.

Basic Internet Rules for Children

- Never give out identifying information.

- Never write or post anything you wouldn't be comfortable with the whole world seeing.

- Treat others online as you would treat them in person.

- Never share your password.

- Never open an email or click on a link from someone you don't know.

- Never download or click on anything without checking with me or another trusted adult first.

Learn How To Use Privacy Settings

- Become familiar with the websites your child visits

- Read privacy policies

- Settings should be "private"

Protecting Against Cyberbullying

- Never respond to unkind remarks

- Don't participate in cyberbullying

- Block the cyberbully

- Tell a trusted adult

- Save the posts

- Notify law enforcement, if appropriate

- Notify your child's school, if appropriate

Inappropriate/ Disturbing Content

- There are "bad" parts of the Internet, just as there are "bad" parts of town

- Shield your child with:

  » parental control software
  » child-friendly search engines
  » bookmarks to favorite sites

- Teach your child what to do if he accidentally views disturbing content

Resources

- **ConnectSafely**
  www.connectsafely.org
  Tips, advice, and the latest news on online safety.

- **AllSafeSites**
  http://www.allsafesites.com/
  A child-safe Internet search engine.

- **Common Sense Media**
  www.commonsensemedia.org
  Reviews and rates websites and other media for children according to age-appropriateness.

- **Trend Micro**
  www.trendmicro.com/go/safety
  Lots of information on Internet safety for families from Trend Micro, the sponsor of this Internet Safety Night presentation.

> Hi! :)

- **Netsmartz Workshop for Parents & Guardians-**
  http://www.netsmartz.org/netparents.htm

- **Netsmartz Workshop 411-**
  http://www.netsmartz411.org/

- **FBI Parents Guide to Internet Safety-**
  http://www.fbi.gov/publications/pguide/pguide.htm

- **Online Safety Guidelines –**
  http://kids.getnetwise.org/safetyguide/