

A Kids' and Teens' Guide to Staying Safe Online

The 10 DON'Ts of Internet Safety

1 **Don't overshare information.** Sharing too much information about yourself online is dangerous because bad guys can use it to hurt you or cause trouble.

2 **Don't share your login credentials.** The only people that you should share your username and passwords with are your parents or guardians! No one else needs to know that information.

3 **Don't share images that you wouldn't want others to see.** Everything that you post or share online is permanent. Don't want your parents or friends seeing something? Don't share it on the internet!

4 **Never meet up with someone you met online.** If you talk with someone online and they want to meet in person, tell your parents. Never meet up with someone you've never met before.

5 **Don't open emails from people you don't know.** Get a random email from someone you don't know? Don't open it. Bad guys want to trick you into downloading files or clicking on links.

6 **Never comply with online demands.** If someone asks you to send images of yourself or threatens to do something if you don't, tell a parent. Complying can lead to other demands.

7 **Don't be afraid to report cyberbullying.** If you or someone you know is experiencing cyberbullying, the best way to help them (or yourself) is to tell a parent or teacher.

8 **Don't be afraid to say what's happening.** If something weird, icky, bad, or creepy is going on online, don't hesitate to tell a parent, teacher, or another adult you trust. They can help!

9 **Don't use third-party file-sharing sites.** While these sites offer a lot of free movies, music and games, they also have a lot of malware that can infect your device.

10 **Don't click on ads or popups.** Online ads are a great way to trick you into visiting a malicious site or downloading malware. Keep your device safe by never clicking on unsolicited ads or popups.



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