

ONLINE SAFETY



GAMING

Gaming can initially appear harmless, but there are **dangers**. Learn **[how exploitation happens](#)**, what you can do, and how to talk to youth about the risks associated with gaming.



EXAMPLE SCENARIOS

Knowing the signs of online exploitation and cyberbullying, as well as how they happen, is critical. Whether through **gaming**, **sexting**, or **social media**, it is important for parents and caregivers to be equipped with warning signs and action steps.



SEARCHES

Even basic and innocent searches on the internet can result in the viewing of inappropriate material because searching the internet isn't safe or harmless. Help the kids in your life stay safe when searching with **[Safe Search Kids](#)**, powered by Google. Review the resources, guides, and articles for both kids and parents.



REPORTS & WEBINARS

Reports highlight **[Human Trafficking and Social Media](#)** share how social media may be used in recruitment and how **posts** of youth online draw attention of traffickers. Webinars for professionals and for those working with children feature **[experts in the field](#)** sharing how to keep youth safe and how to **[create a safe environment](#)** with more youth at home and online due to COVID-19.



INTERNET SAFETY & YOUTH RESOURCES

What do you know about **internet safety** and how **youth are at-risk** every day to cyberbullying and exploitation when accessing the internet, posting to social media, and **sending photos**? Educating **children** and **teens** with relatable videos, games, and peer-to-peer resources is easy. Resources for **specific age groups** that are interactive, engaging, and informative can help youth understand the realities of internet risks and importance of online safety.



GUIDES

Online safety begins with parents and caregivers understanding **kids and the use of technology**. **Specific information** about grooming, sexting, and device monitoring is available. Guides with **indicators and tips** for parents on how to educate their kids and teens on **[what to do to stay safe](#)**, as well as how parents can respond as **[caregivers, are helpful resources](#)**.

COVID-19 has brought a significant increase in youth spending **more time online**, raising warnings from **law enforcement**. Learn the **impact, risks and threats**, exploiters' **tactics**, and way you can protect the youth in your life, along with **[online safety tips](#)** for **parents and youth**.