

Contract for Internet Use

NAME OF CHILD: _____ DATE: _____

First, read the following statements with your parent(s)/guardian(s) and then initial them.

1. The Internet is a public place and nothing that happens online is private. INITIAL: _____
2. Whenever I feel uncomfortable about something I see or read online, I know I can talk to a safe adult about it. INITIAL: _____

MY SAFE ADULT IS: _____

Below is a list of guidelines that will keep me safe while online:

- I will tell my parent(s)/guardian(s) my Internet usernames and passwords — this includes usernames and passwords for email, social networking sites (Facebook, MySpace, etc.), online games, instant messaging, chat areas, special interest sites, etc.
- I will make sure to protect my and others personal information. I will be careful who I share information with and what information I share online because I understand that it can be misused.
- I will talk with my parent(s)/guardian(s) before I fill out any forms or enter any contests online. I know I can talk to my parent(s)/guardian(s)/safe adult if I see, read or receive anything online that I do not like, that makes me feel uncomfortable or threatened. If I see something that makes me uncomfortable online I will click on the “Back” button or log off.
- I will tell my parent(s)/guardian(s)/safe adult if I see someone doing things or saying things to other children that I know isn't right.
- I will tell my parent(s)/guardian(s)/safe adult if someone asks me to do something I know I'm not supposed to do.
- I will tell my parent(s)/guardian(s) about anyone new that I meet online.
- I will talk with my parent(s)/guardian(s) if anyone I meet online wants to meet with me in person.
- My parent(s)/guardian(s) want me to keep safe, so I will never meet someone I have met online in person without my parent's/guardian's permission.



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- I will talk to my parent(s)/guardian(s) if someone online wants me to phone them.
- I will talk with a parent(s)/guardian(s)/trusted adult if someone I meet online sends me something or asks me to send them something.
- I will talk to a parent(s)/guardian(s)/trusted adult if someone says something mean about me, or tries to start a fight with me online. I know that it is best to talk these things through with a trusted adult rather than start exchanging angry emails or instant messages that may hurt someone.
- I will not install or copy anything from discs or the Internet without first asking for permission from my parents.
- I will always ask permission before doing anything online that costs money.

I, _____, agree to follow all of the above guidelines.

SIGNED BY NAME OF CHILD: _____ DATE: _____

For the parent(s)/guardian(s):

I, _____, promise to help to follow these guidelines.

