

Online safety tips from the NSPCC

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Hello

The festive season can be a popular time for gifting tech. Whether it's a phone, tablet or games console, we have some advice to help you keep your child safe:

- If you've bought them a game or console for Christmas, remember to set up parental controls on the console that your child is using. Think about who they might be talking to or messaging while gaming.
- Talk to your child and let them know that if they ever feel uncomfortable they can talk to you or an adult they trust.
- If you have bought them a device for Christmas, remember to explore the device with your child. This will help you get to know the apps and games they're downloading and how they're using the different features.

[Explore our Christmas advice](#)

Snapchat / Minecraft guides:

Snapchat has been around for a while, but it's still a very popular messaging app that allows you to send images and videos to other users. In this blog, we give you 6 tips to help keep your child

safe on Snapchat, plus 6 safety features for you to consider as a parent. Explore our Snapchat guide [here](#).

Minecraft is one of the most popular games for children and young people. But how safe is it? We've created an overview of some of the parental controls and safety features that can help to keep your child safe on the platform. Explore our Minecraft guide [here](#).

Word of the month



"Doxing"

Doxing is when a person publishes somebody else's private information online without their consent. Doxers try to find out as much about someone as they can from online sources, for example social media. It often used as a form of harassment or revenge.



Conversation starters

- Have you heard of 'doxing'?
- What kind of information do you post online?
- How can you try to keep your information safe?



Use these questions to talk to your child about...

- Privacy
- Sharing online
- Digital citizenship

Look out for our next monthly newsletter to find out more about online safety and how you can help keep your child safe online.

Best wishes,

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