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RESPONDING TO ISSUES

Finding out your child has been sexually abused

Discovering your child has been sexually abused is a traumatic experience. Dr Elly Hanson, clinical psychologist and adviser to...

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ADVICE

Are you worried your child is being sexually exploited?

Child sexual exploitation is rare, but it does take place all over the UK. Knowing the warning signs and what to do will help you

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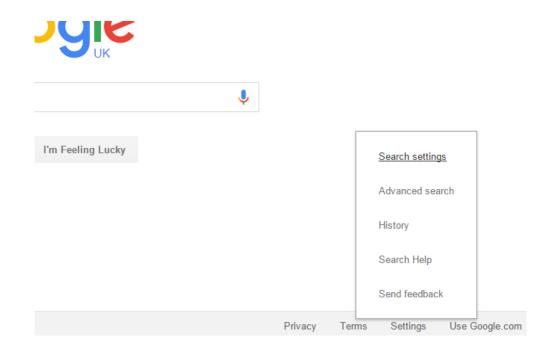
1. Set up home broadband parental controls and make use of controls on your home broadband.

These controls are designed to help parents and carers manage their child's online activities. There are various types, some of which are free but others which can be bought.

However, nothing is totally fool proof so they don't replace the need for adults to support and advise children using the internet.

Most internet providers now offer parental controls which can be managed on your home router. Check with your provider for details on how to turn on these settings, for example BT have online videos on how to setup and manage parental settings step by step.

2. Set controls on your search engine; encourage your child to always use child-friendly search engines, and activate and lock the safe search settings on the browsers and platforms they use.



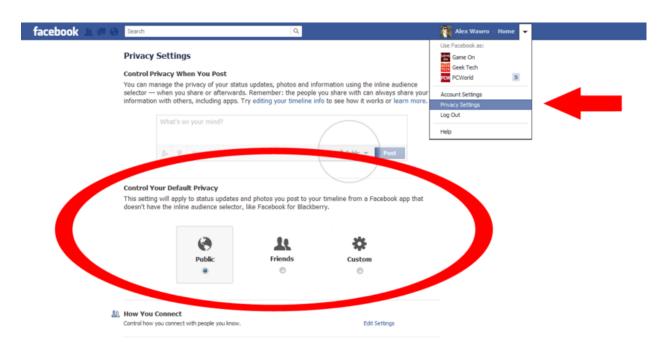
> 3. Make sure every device is protected. Controls should be installed on every device your child uses, such as their mobile phone, tablet and games consoles (both home and handheld).

The way to access device controls can vary according to the Manufacturer. They can offer varying types of protection, from filtering out adult content from search results to preventing your child from buying things when playing games.

You can generally find instructions on how to set these controls up on the manufacturer's website or use the Internet Matters app for help. These settings will apply whether the device is being used in your home our outside – but it's easy for them to be switched off, so talk to your child about trust and responsibility, making sure they understand the importance of why you have put the settings in place.

Most games consoles come with settings, which can be put in place for either the device itself or the games platform. It's easy to forget that games consoles allow players to connect to the internet and talk to people all over the world so setting controls on devices and the platform itself (such as X Box) is important.

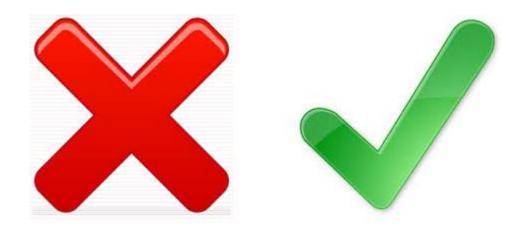
4. Use privacy settings. Activate the safety measures offered by different sites; social networking sites like Facebook have privacy settings that will help prevent your child seeing unsuitable advertising or sharing too much with other people.



 5.Block pop-ups. If you're worried about your children accessing inappropriate content though accidentally clicking on adverts in pop-ups.



6.Find good sites and agree on them as a family. By talking to your child about their interests you can help them find suitable sites to visit and apps to use. Review these sites as they get older.



> 7.Manage their use and access. Children may be very worried that your response to a problem will be to take away their internet access. Whilst this may be an appropriate response in some cases, the threat may be a barrier for a child who needs help. Be aware of this when talking to them about their internet use, and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult whenever they need to.

There are many products on the market to manage your child's access to the internet a free program we have tested and seems to work well is:

(Please read the terms and conditions for the software as the school will take no responsibility or liability, so far as legally possible, for any: viruses or any other computer code, files or programs designed to interrupt, restrict, destroy, data loss, limit the functionality of or compromise the integrity of any computer software or hardware)

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- We have prepared some handouts on how to install k9 web protection on your PC's and Apple iPads or iPhones.
- If you have any other questions regarding other devices please come and talk to us.



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