

Be Safe Online

An Internet Safety Presentation for Middle School

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Online Risks

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Predators



Video: SNL Clip

Quick Facts

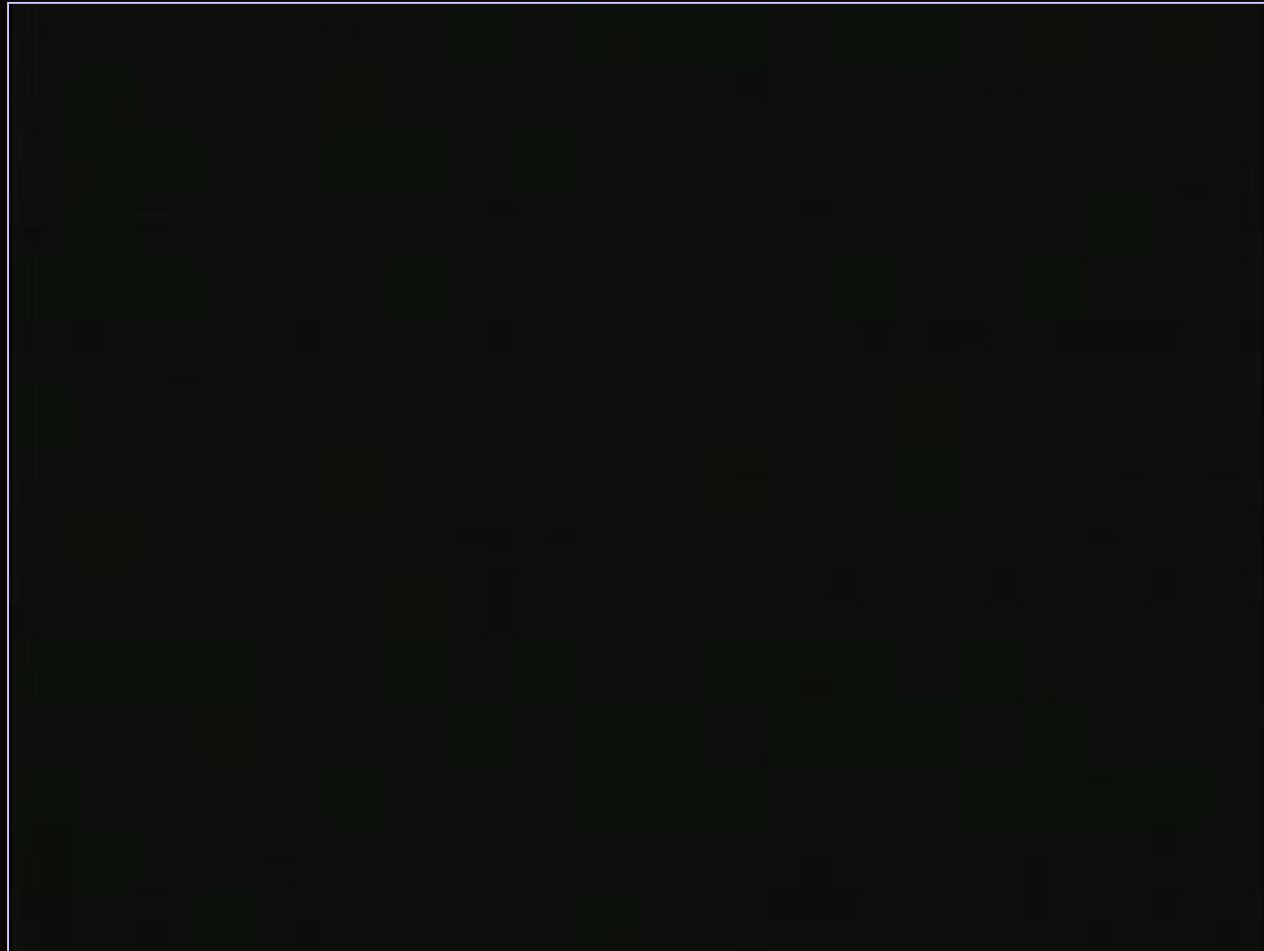
- Online teens admit that they frequently communicate with people they have never met.
 - 54% have Instant Messaged a stranger
 - 50% have emailed a stranger
 - 45% have participated in a chat room discussion with a stranger
- 27% of teens said that they have known a friend to actually meet someone whom they only knew online.
- 47% of children have received e-mails or IMs with attachments or links to pornography.

Quick Facts

- In 2007, more than 30,000 known registered sex offenders had active *myspace* accounts.
- According to the *Center for Missing and Exploited Children*, each week an average of 50 children fall prey to online predators (through social networking sites, chats, online gaming, and other web tools.)
- Most predators will spend months forming a friendship with the child to gain their trust.

Who Are Your Online Friends?

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Video: Everyone Knows Your Name

Predators Entice

- If Anyone:
 - Talks about inappropriate things
 - Sends you sexually explicit material
 - Asks for your personal information
 - Talks about or wants you to do something that makes you uncomfortable
 - Wants to meet you in person

Talk to a trusted adult!

Survivor Diaries



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Video: Survivor Diaries

Survivor Diaries

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Video: [Julie's Journey](#)

Activity: [Julie's Journey](#)

Risks of Meeting Off-line

Assault

Disease

Abduction

Exploitation

Pregnancy

Warning Signs

- If someone tries to:
 - Isolate you from family and friends
 - Turn you against your parents or guardians
 - Make you keep things secret
 - Send inappropriate material or talk about explicit topics
 - Threatens you!

Tell a trusted adult!

This applies online and in real life!

Never Meet Off-Line

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Video: Promises

Revealing too much

You Can't Take It Back

- Words and photos published online are there for the world to see - once out there, they can't be taken back.
- Any photo or video posted online can be saved, accessed and altered by anyone.
- This applies even if your page is private.
- Private conversations can be saved.

What have you posted online?

You Can't Take It Back



Video: Bulletin Board

Why Should You Care?

- Family, friends, parents, teachers, and others will likely check your online life.
- College admissions officials often check to see what online information they can find on candidates.
- The same applies to employers you might want to work for in the future.
- Interested in a career with a public life? Beware what you post!
- Profiles & blogs may be viewed by online predators.

How Much is Too Much?

- Information that could lead a predator to your door:

Name age birthday phone number
School schedule location

- Photos or video should never be posted online if they show:
 - Backgrounds that reveal identifying information
 - Sexually provocative poses
 - Too much skin

Tracking Teresa

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Video: [Tracking Teresa](#)

Activity: [Tracking Teresa](#)

Cyber-Bullying

Cyber-bullying

- What is it?
 - Spreading rumors and gossip
 - Posting pictures without consent
 - Obtaining a password to assume a person's identity
 - Harassing or threatening with mean or bad language

Cyber-bullying

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Video: Can't take it back **Activity: Can't take it back**

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Video: Broken Friendship

Activity: Broken friendship

Cyber-bullying

- Consequences
 - Broken friendships
 - Hurting people
 - School Consequences
 - Prosecution by police
 - Harassment
 - Posting sexually explicit photos of people under 18 is illegal (even if it is your *friend*)

What to do?

- If you are ever cyber-bullied:
 - Do not respond
 - Save the evidence
 - Tell an adult you trust
 - Report it to your ISP (Internet Service Provider)
- If someone threatens you, or you feel in immediate danger:
 - Contact the local police!



Your Online Life

Your Online Life

social networking sites

webcams & video

blogging

online gaming

cell phones

IM, E-Mail, Chat

File Sharing

Anything Wrong Here?

The screenshot shows a MyLife.com profile for a user named 'i-candy'. The profile includes a navigation bar with links for Home, Browse, Search, Invite, Mail, Blog, Favorites, Group, and Events. The user's profile information is as follows:

- * i-candy**
- "i AM the scene"**
- Female
- 15 years old
- Dallas, Texas USA
- August 14, 1992
- Last Login: 10/02/2006

A photograph of the user is shown on the left, wearing a cheerleader outfit. Below the profile information is a 'contact' section with the following options:

- Send Message
- Forward to Friend
- Add to Friends
- Add to Favorites
- Instant Message
- Block User
- Add to Group
- Rank User

Annotations on the screenshot include:

- A purple box containing the text: "This page is set to private."
- A white box containing the text: "- Information can be inadvertently revealed in pictures" and "- Sexually provocative pictures can be used for exploitation".

Comments Can Get You in Trouble

The screenshot shows a social media profile page with a list of comments. The profile information on the left includes: Interests: Cheerleading, boys, fashion, music, movies, beach, poetry, FRIENDSSSS, and food; Music: Anything that makes me wanna shake ma SexXxy backKk!!!; Movies: Everything but horror; Heroes: ME!; Relationships: Single; Orientation: Friends; Religion: Straight; Location: D-town; Height: 5'2" more to love; Ethnicity: Latino/Hispanic; Age: N/A; Name: Leo; Gender: Yes / Yes; Education: Someday; School: High school; Bio: I'mma HuStIA bAbEe!!!; Location: Visit HS in Texas, Texas.

The comments section is titled "comments" and lists the following:

- Ame <3 Jeff**: 10/25/2006 7:23 PM
git bak at me 2nite so we can talk! Wut arr u wearin fo this friday! Jeffs picking me up at 7 so well meet u at the galleria...
- MoBe**: 10/19/2006 1:03 PM
Thx 4 the add!! Wheres party at? can I come?
- Single.me.out**: 10/19/2006 12:06 PM
Hey pretty...my bday is in 7 days. I will c u at my house party. u b my present. :p
- Nick**: 10/15/2006 11:26 PM
Hey cuzzz No more revealing pics. No talk of kissing boys. And take ur personal info off (ur high school) so I don't have to chase down crazy peeps. Other than that, I'm fine. How r u? sorry for being MIA.

Cell phone numbers

Location / gathering details

Last names

IM screen names

Descriptions

Identifying information

Navigation icons: Home, Back, Forward, Stop, Refresh, Search

photos

- Teens let people they don't know into their lives to gain status and display popularity

[View All]

interests

* General: Cheerleading, boys, fashion, music, movies, beach, poetry, FRIENDSSSS, and food

* Music: Anything that makes me wanna shake ma SexXxy backKk!!!

* Movies: Everything but horror

* Heroes: ME!

details

Status	Single
Sex for	Friends
Orientation	Straight
Hometown	D-town

who it'd like to meet

Noone.
I hate u all. Jk ;p I LOVE u all!!
ADD MEE!

friendspace

i-candy has 567 friends [View All]

"Lizzie"	Single me out	Play*central	Ame<3 Jeff	Nick	Terri

comments

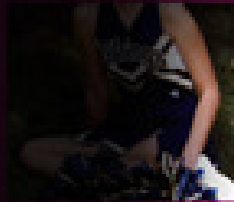
	Ame <3 Jeff	10/25/2006 7:23 PM	git bak at me 2nite so we can talk! Wut arr u wearin fo this friday! Jeffs picking me up at 7 so well meet u at the gateria
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	Muffs	10/19/2006 1:03 PM	Thx 4 the add!! Wheres party at? can I come?
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	Single me out	10/19/2006 12:06 PM	
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* i-candy



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Gender: Female
Age: 15 years old
City: Dallas
State: Texas
Country: USA
Signup Date: 05/14/1995

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Ame3 Jeff
JennyMellow
Nick

Current mood: ☹ depressed

life sux 2 no end and these are the reasons whYYYYYYY.....

- 1) I'm FAT. im in a hard place ta describe – I feel LOST but I have ppl around me. I need 2 pull myself 2gether so ppl stop askin me if I've eaten or not. My bf keeps saying not 2 get any thinner yet that's exactly wut im planning... that's all I have left 2 do.
- 2) I hate that I don't trust my boyfriend because of his wandering eye and the distance between us. He's still at my old skool. I hate that we moved. i wish i had a guy in my life who actually loved me for who i am. Not bc imma cheerleader or how I look. Would YOU still luv me if they did'nt luv me?

- Vulnerabilities and insecurities can be used by a predator to “groom” children into a face-to-face meeting

3:49 PM - 0 Comments - 0 Kudos - [Add Comment](#)

***If it's on the Internet,
it's not PRIVATE!***

Parents Colleges Employers

Principals Predators

Relatives Teachers

Webcams & Video

- Videos can be used against you for exploitation
- Check your surroundings for information that could reveal your location
- Remember any video can be accessed and altered by anyone
- **Webcams left turned on, may be accessed at the server level making it possible for others (predators) to watch you without your knowledge**



Cell Phones

- Never post your cell phone number online
- Don't respond to harassing text messages
- Never take or send provocative photos or video of yourself
- Having a cell phone is a privilege, not a right!



Online Gaming

- Use *voice-mask* and other safety features to hide your age and gender
- Don't get angry! Walk away if things become too "heated"
- Have a life outside of gaming!!

E-Mail, IM, Chatrooms

- Communicate with people you know in person
- Keep your personal information private
- No meeting off-line
- Don't respond to offensive messages
- Choose gender-neutral, non-revealing, non-suggestive screen names and e-mail addresses



File Sharing

- It is illegal to share copyrighted material without permission such as music, movies, etc.
- File sharing settings can slow your computer
- Downloading from unknown sources is the easiest way to get a computer virus



Spyware, spam & scams

- Only download from trustworthy sources to prevent spy-ware and viruses.
- Protect your privacy and don't give out information to soliciting sites and e-mail.
- If an offer seems too good to be true, it usually is!



Make Safer Choices

- **YOU** control your online image and how much information is revealed
- Be a good friend and sibling, and encourage others to be safer online
- Talk to an adult you trust if anything makes you feel scared or uncomfortable

Be Safe!

Resources for YOU

- <http://www.cybertipline.org>
 - If you or someone you know has been victimized, tell a trusted adult and report it to the Cyber Tipline.
- <http://www.netsmartz.org/NetSmartzKids>
 - Watch the video from this presentation again, access online safety activities, get more information.