

# Safe Surfing Tips for Kids WRT

PLAY!

## Fun & Games

Always ask for permission from an adult before you...

- Enter a contest
- Join a club
- Accept a prize or gift

Be careful with spam e-mails, e-mail attachments or pop-up ads. You could get a computer virus or give private information without knowing it.

## Protect your Privacy

OOPS!

Protect your passwords — don't give them to friends!

Be careful about what information you post online. Don't reveal information like your address, phone number, where you go to school, or where your parents work.

Think twice about what you post — remember everyone may be able to see it, and it might stay online forever!

Protect your friends' privacy too—get their permission before posting their picture or something about them.

## Don't Break the Law

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Downloading music, movies, or ringtones without paying for them, or sharing music and movies online can be illegal. Check with your parents first to make sure the sites you're using are ok. Napster, iTunes, & Real.com are safe sites.

Help!

## Know your "REAL" Friends

The people you talk to online may not be who they say they are. Make sure you know all your online friends IRL (in real life).

If someone you meet online: asks to meet or call you; asks for your picture or wants to send you a picture - don't do it. Be sure you do tell a parent or teacher right away.

If you receive a message that makes you feel uncomfortable, don't respond to it. Show a parent or teacher.

## Practice Kindness

Use kindness and respect—don't say anything online that you wouldn't say to someone in person!

Don't spread rumors or lies on the web, through e-mail, or by text message!

Try to include everyone in the fun online! Excluding or "unfriending" people can hurt feelings.

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## Know your Netiquette

When you're online, sometimes people can't tell you are joking. Add a smiley :) or other emoticon to help express emotions in text.

Don't type in ALL CAPITAL LETTERS on e-mails or texts—that means you're SHOUTING! :(