

Going On-Line  
Is Cool...



Not Always!

Listen to the real deal  
for teens, by teens



## Internet Do's and Don'ts

### Advantages to going on-line



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-  You can learn about the world around you.
-  Play games
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### Suggestions about going on-line



With the good can come the bad. Here are some bad things that can exist or occur on-line:

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**Advice** Never respond to these types of e-mails and save these messages to show your parents, teacher, or a responsible adult.

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### More tips about going on-line



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Listen to advice from other young people like you who have learned from experience that bad things can happen on-line, if you are not careful.

**Make sure you spell your websites correctly.**  
Cameron, age 13

**Watch out for stalkers online!**  
Josh, age 12

**I was fooled! Don't think it can't happen to you!**  
Sasha, age 11

**Don't let other people use your password!**  
Erika, age 12

**Be Smart!**

**Be Safe!**

**Be Careful!**

**Be able to still have fun on-line!**

This brochure is not meant to scare you--it's about keeping it real about the dangers on-line.

**You may know more than your parents!**

Young people usually know more about the world wide web than their parents. Here's your chance to teach your parents about going on-line. Help them learn a thing or two.

**This is not a lecture!**

It may seem like adults or your parents are always telling you what to do or what not to do. This time some of your peers are telling you that going on-line is not always cool because if you are not careful, bad things can happen on-line.

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