

Being safe online

**eSafety Commissioner** 





#### **Hard words**



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

• the word is in blue

• we write what the hard word means.

# You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

read this book

know what this book is about



• find more information.

### **About this book**



The **eSafety Commissioner** wrote this book.



The eSafety Commissioner helps make your time online

safe

and

• fun.



Online means when you use

- the internet
- phone apps



games.

This book is about what you need to do to stay safe online.

#### How to be safe online



Talk to an adult you trust before you go online.

For example, your parent or carer.



An adult can talk to you about

• what you can do online



what you should not do online



what websites or apps are safe to use

what posts and photos are safe to share.



When you go online make sure an adult is around so you can

ask questions

and



get help.



Talk to your parent or carer before you

• buy anything online

or



- download or install something.
  - Download or install means you choose something online to save to your computer.

### **Privacy**





You must keep your **personal information** safe online.



Personal information can be your

- address
- phone number



password.



To keep your personal information safe online you must

- **not** let other people use your accounts
  - and
- **not** give out personal information.

# If you make a friend online



You might make a friend online.



It is safer **not** to meet them in real life.

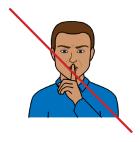
An online friend should

• talk to you in a nice way



respect you

not make you feel bad or uncomfortable



 not ask you to do things you do not want to do. For example, keep a secret.



If an online friend asks you to do something you do **not** want to do

• tell an adult you trust





- report the person or message to the social media service.
  - A social media service might be
     Instagram or Snapchat.



- block the person to stop them from being able to contact you again.
  - Block means you stop the person from being able to contact you on the social media service.



You might need to tell the police about your online friend.

### If you see something bad



Talk to an adult if you see something online that you do **not** like or understand.

#### For example

- photos or videos that are violent or sexual
- messages that are mean to you or tease you
- messages that make you uncomfortable.



Do **not** answer messages that make you feel uncomfortable.



An adult can help you report bad messages to us.

We will help you

- get support
- get rid of bad messages.





#### More information

For more information about how to be safe online contact the eSafety Commissioner.



www.esafety.gov.au

Information for parents.

www.esafety.gov.au/parents



You can also get help from Kids Helpline.

www.kidshelpline.com.au

1800 55 1800



If you need help to speak or listen.

National Relay Service

communications.gov.au/accesshub/nrs

1800 555 660



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