

Kit's Guide to Staying Safe Online

Learning objective: To understand how to stay safe, be respectful, and protect personal information when using digital devices.

Use this writing frame to create your own 'Online Safety Pledge'. Think about what Kit the fox would advise to keep your digital life secure and friendly.

Being online is like visiting a vast, exciting digital forest, and just like in the real world, we need to follow a few simple rules to stay safe and happy.

Word bank: personal information · privacy settings · think before you click · kind and respectful · tell a trusted adult · password protection · cyberbullying · digital footprint

1. Introduction: Why is it important to be careful about what we share online? Start by explaining... (2 marks)

2. Personal Details: What specific information should you keep private and never share with strangers? List these items and explain why... (2 marks)

3. Being Kind: How can you ensure your behavior online is as kind as your behavior in the classroom? Describe how you should speak to others... (2 marks)

4. Reporting Concerns: If you see something online that makes you feel worried or uncomfortable, what are the exact steps you should take? (2 marks)

5. The Pledge: Write a final promise to yourself about how you will use technology responsibly from now on. Begin with 'I promise to...' (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are designing a poster for the school computing lab. Create a list of three 'Golden Rules' for online safety that are short, catchy, and easy for everyone to remember.