

Kit's Digital Detective: My E-Safety Strategy

Learning objective: To identify potential online risks and justify strategies for maintaining personal safety and digital wellbeing.

As a digital detective, use this fact-file to outline how you would handle various online scenarios. Refer to the word bank for terminology. For the 'Greater Depth' questions, think about the long-term consequences of our digital footprint.

Word bank: Digital footprint · Privacy settings · Cyberbullying · Personal data · Secure password · Reporting · Verification · Online reputation

1. Defining Personal Data: Explain why it is essential to keep personal information private. What specific details should you never share with someone you have only met online? (3 marks)

2. The Password Protocol: Kit the fox suggests using complex passwords. Justify why a phrase like 'Blue-Monkey-88' is more secure than 'Password123'. (2 marks)

3. Analysing Digital Footprints: What might happen if you post an unkind comment or an embarrassing photo online today, and how could this affect your future reputation? (3 marks)

4. Scenario Analysis: If you receive a message from an unknown person asking for your location or school name, compare and contrast the different actions you could take. Which is the safest approach and why? (4 marks)

5. Evaluating Reliability: Explain how you can verify if information found on a website is accurate or if it might be 'fake news'. What clues should you look for? (3 marks)

6. Creative Extension: Design a 'Digital Code of Conduct' for your class. Write three rules that promote positive online behaviour and explain how these rules protect the wellbeing of everyone in the digital community. (5 marks)
