

Child Online Exploitation and Grooming

The world online is as real as the world offline.

Young people can be targeted through phone apps, games and social media for exploitation and abuse.

Talk to them about:

- How some people may **pretend** to be someone else.
- The **risks** of giving personal data to anyone online (eg address, photo, school, bank details).
- The **danger** of meeting up with someone who they met online in the real world.
- **Always** telling a trusted adult if they are planning to do this and how to be safe.
- Sharing the same **curiosity** for online friends as you would for offline friends.

