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Being aware of Online Strangers

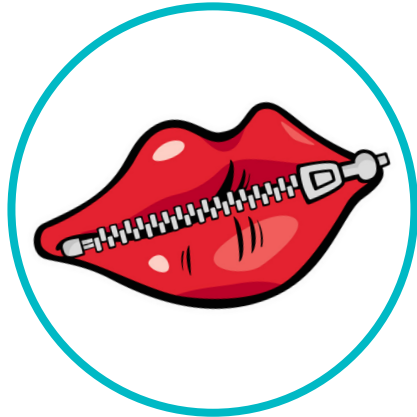
- **Just like in our real lives, in our digital lives we also need to be aware of certain dangers.**
- **One of these is online strangers.**
- **It can be very easy for people to pretend to be someone else online.**
- **They could trick you into doing things you may not want to, gain personal information about you or even suggest to meet up in person.**
- **To help avoid this from happening, please follow the simple steps on the next page to always stay safe.**



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Follow these 3 easy steps if you get contacted by any

Online Strangers



1: Zip it.

Whilst online, remember to keep all your personal information to yourself. If someone you don't know tries to ask you anything about yourself, please remember to 'Zip It'. **Don't share anything with them.** This could be your age, what school you go to or where you live.

2: Block it.

The next step is to 'Block It'. This could be blocking or muting them within the game or social site you are using, or quite simply putting your device down and walking away. They cannot continue to ask you things if you're not there, plus this will prevent you from being tempted into answering something that you know you shouldn't.



3: Flag it.

If a stranger does try to contact you or ask you questions, a trusted adult needs to know. This is because it could be someone pretending to be someone else or trying to trick you. 'Flag it' up by speaking to the adults you live with or possibly one of your school teachers. If someone responsible knows, they can help you to prevent this from happening again.



Remember...

Never 'ever' meet up with someone in your human life that has tried to make friends with you in your digital life.

It might be someone trying to trick you and by meeting up, it could put you in danger!

Zip it - Block it - Flag it



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