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Internet Safety on the World Wide Web

Searching the Internet can be fun and exciting, but before you begin there are some important things you should know about being safe and smart. Never give your whole name, address or phone number to anyone on the Internet. If a Web site asks for your name talk to your parents or teacher before taking any action. If they feel it is an appropriate site, use only your first name or a code name. When you are on the Internet no one should ever ask you for your address or phone number. If they do, sign off, and let your teacher or parents know immediately

Protecting your password is very important. Don't give it to anyone, not even your best friend! Your password protects your computer and files from someone entering them. If someone has your password they can get into your computer and do things that may cause a problem for you later. They can also get into your files and harm them.

Last, but not least, do not download anything from the Internet without your parent's or teacher's permission. Some downloads can damage your computer by infecting it with a virus. It is also possible to risk your family's privacy. Also remember it is illegal to download games or music that are copyrighted without paying for them. If you follow these rules and use your common sense, surfing the Internet can be fun and educational.