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STAGE 2 · COMPUTING · STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Staying safe online

Everything the questions ask about is taught on the page before them, so nobody has to know the computing beforehand.

WHAT IS INSIDE

- Passwords
- How to behave, and what to do about others
- Go and do this
- How each one is worked

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2 topics · something to do at the end

Written for a parent teaching at home. No training assumed, and nothing else to buy.

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How to behave, and what to do about others

Read this first. Then answer the questions underneath.



A message is read by a person. Something typed quickly is read slowly, and read again, and kept.

So the rule is simple: do not type anything you would not say to somebody's face.

If somebody sends you something unkind, do not answer it. Answering is what they wanted. Keep it, so it can be shown, and tell a grown up.

Most people who are unkind online stop when an adult knows. Almost none of them stop because the person they were unkind to answered back.

1. What is the rule for what you type?

The passage gives it in one sentence.

2. What should you do with an unkind message?

Two things, besides not answering.

3. What do most unkind people do when an adult knows?

The last sentence.

4. WORK IT OUT Why is answering back a bad idea?

The passage says so directly.

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Go and do this

Write down what you actually found, not what you expected to find.



GO AND DO THIS

Make up three passwords using the three-words method. Write them down on paper, not on the computer, and judge each one: how long is it, and could somebody who knows you guess it?

Then take the worst one and say exactly what is wrong with it. Being able to say why a password is weak is more useful than having one strong one.

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SAMPLE PAGES

You have read a few pages. The pack is longer.

What you are holding is a short sample, taken from different parts of the pack so that you can see how a week is planned and what a child is actually asked to do, before you decide.

The complete pack, and the rest of the academic materials, are on our website: schemes of work for a parent teaching at home, and practice packs for the skills children get stuck on.

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Our Islamic Education classes are free. These packs are part of what pays the teachers who teach them.