

HOW CAN WE KEEP CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE?

As parents, guardians and individuals in influential roles, it's essential we educate ourselves on the dangers and appropriate safeguards necessary to protect those we care for in an ever-evolving digital world.

As more and more children gain access to devices at an early age, we all have a responsibility to help keep them safe from exploitation by those they connect with.

Online sexual exploitation is one of the fastest growing forms of human trafficking

In 2021, The U.S. National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reported there had been a 130% increase in online enticement reports, compared to 2019.

As of 2023, half of all 9 year olds in the UK own a smartphone.

Legislation is only just beginning to catch up with developments in the digital space, meaning it's more vital than ever that we take responsibility for educating ourselves on appropriate protections.

*Name changed to protect survivor's identity



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"I didn't tell my parents where I was going that day, they didn't even know I'd been speaking to him..."



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31% of children aged 3-15 who game do so against strangers or people they have not met in person



82% of child predators admitted learning about their victim's likes or interests through social networking sites



By 2025 it's predicted almost 95% of the UK population will be using a smartphone

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We trained more than 12,000 people last year, including development of a 'Keeping Kids Safe in the Digital World' course offered for free via our new digital learning platform.

We must act quickly to extend this reach, and are inviting businesses to join us in the fight against online exploitation.

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