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# Introduction to



- Passwords
- Chat Rooms & IMs
- Profiles
- Net Predators
- Netiquette
- Chain Letters
- Malware
- Cyber Bullies
- Community websites
- Responsible Posting & Blogging

# Passwords



What is a password?

- A password is a secret combination of letters and numbers.
- People use passwords in conjunction with usernames to access different programs, such as e-mail, games, and websites.

## A few password Tips to Remember

Passwords should be something you can remember.

If you write your password down, make sure it is in a safe and secret place.

## **Good passwords for Andrew Smith?**

Secret1 Bad Mypassword Bad Asmith **Bad** F3d20w9 Good Andrew Bad Password1234 Bad Freethepanda Good Smith **Bad** pokadots75 Good safeconnectsrox Good



# Chat Rooms and IMs

#### **Chat Rooms**

What is a chat room?

- A place online where people discuss common interests.
- Some are private, where you only can invite people you know to chat, others are public, where anyone can join.

#### **Chat Rooms**

Safely dealing with chat rooms is easy:

- See people you don't know? Just leave.
- Don't participate in public chat rooms.
- If uncomfortable or threatened, turn off your computer and talk to your parents.

#### Chat Rooms Bullying and IM

People come in and say disrespectful, obnoxious, or just plain mean things.

#### **Instant Messaging:**

Don't Instant Message (IM) with people you don't know from school or your community.





#### What is a profile?

- It's a page about you.
- Usually used in chat rooms web communities, and personal websites.



# Writing a Profile

#### Do's

- Hobbies
- Favorite television shows
- Favorite movies
- Favorite songs
- Sports

#### Don'ts

- Your personal information (name and age)
- Family information
- Address
- Phone number

# Net Predators

## **Net Predators**

- An adult who uses the Internet with the intention of harming youths
- What they do:
  - They make friends with teens in chat rooms in order to gain their trust, often pretending to be a teen

# Net Predators

If at any time anyone bothers you or anything causes you to feel upset *immediately* turn off your computer and talk to your parents or a trusted adult.

## To Avoid Net Predators

#### <u>Do</u>

- Use common sense
- Make responsible choices
- Use chat rooms responsibly
- If you have questions, ask your parent
- Keep the computer in a common area of the home

#### Don't

- Post pictures of yourself
- Share personal information
- Use a web cam
- Keep a "blog" (an online journal)

# Netiquette

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→ Three Rules of Netiquette

- ◆1. What you should say
- ▶ 2. Don't swear or be offensive
- →3. It is illegal to post false statements about someone
- ◆4. Make certain to let a person know when you're joking ©

## The Core Rule of Netiquette

▶ Rule 1: Treat others the way you would want to be treated.

Remember that you are talking to a real person who has feelings like you do.









# Chain Letters

## Break the Chain

You're suppose to email the letter to "continue the chain." Usually a chain letter threatens consequences to those who don't pass the message on.

## Break the Chain

Chain letters— they used to circulate by postal mail, but these days, they're also showing up in e-mail and Internet chat rooms.

## Break the Chain

By passing on a chain letter to others, you are also passing out the e-mail Addresses of those that you sent it to.

So "Break the Chain"

# MALWARE

## What is Malware?

Malicious computer software that can copy itself to computer without the end user's knowledge

Can cause serious damage to a computer system

Can replicate and modify itself to infect other computers

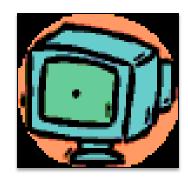


#### **Viruses**

A program
that can
copy itself
and infect a
computer

#### Worms

A worm spreads itself to other computers



#### **Trojan Horses**

A Trojan
 horse is a
 file that
 appears
 harmless
 until
 executed

## How can you get Malware?

- Instant Messaging
- Online Downloads (Music, Videos, Programs)
- →E-Mail attachments
- Clicking on links that lead to harmful sites

## How do you prevent viruses?

- →Install reputable antivirus software
  - Zonealarm or Norton 2007
  - Make sure it is updated periodically
- →If you do not know who a file is from, DON'T OPEN IT!
- → Call that person. Make sure he/she sent it to you.

## **Spyware and Adware**

- Spyware and Adware are malicious pieces of software that can slow down your computer and steal private information
- → These programs can be spread just by visiting sites without proper protection
- → Remove these programs by using free applications
  - Ad-Aware or Spybot Search & Destroy
  - Prevent them by browsing with Firefox

## **Spyware and Adware — what do they do?**

- Pop-ups
- Slow computers
- Transmits information
- Helps hackers

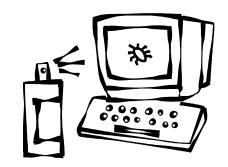


# How do I get it?

- Suspicious websites
- Downloading programs
- Suspicious e-mails
- Toolbars

## How can I protect myself?

- Antivirus software
- Firewall



- Limit online information
- Anti-adware/spyware software
  - –Adaware SE
  - –Spybot: Search and Destroy

# Cyber Bullies

## What is Cyber Bullying?

"Cyber Bullying involves the use of information and communication technologies such as e-mail, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging, defamatory Web sites and defamatory online personal polling Web sites, to support deliberate, repeated, and hostile behavior by an individual or group, that is intended to harm others."

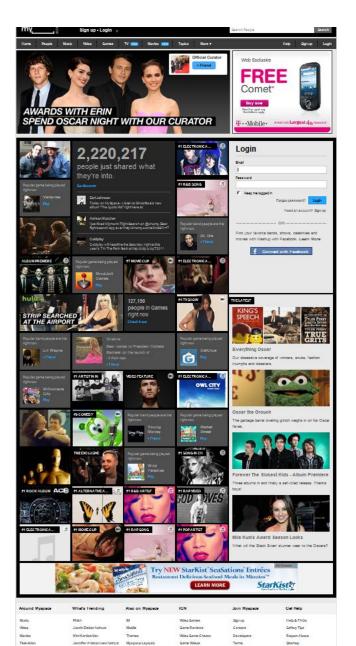
-Bill Belsey

## How to avoid being the victim of a Cyber Bully

- If you are sent an abusive e-mail, don't write back.
- When you read an e-mail sent to you by a cyber bully use the "Take 5 Method"
- You can also:
  - Stop
  - Block
  - Tell

## Community Websites

# What are community websites?



### More About Community Websites

JOIN MYSPACE HERE!
Please enter a valid e-mail address. You will need to confirm your e-mail address to activate your account.
Email Address:
First Name:
Last Name:
Password:
Confirm Password:
Country: United States
Postal Code:
Date Of Birth: ■ Day ▼ Year ▼
Gender: C Female C Male
lacksquare Allow others to see when it's my birthday
Preferred Site & U.S.A.  Language:   ▼
☐ By checking the box you agree to the MySpace  Terms of Service and Privacy Policy. You also agree to receive the MySpace e-mail newsletter and account updates targeted to you by MySpace, unless you have chosen to opt out of them.  Sign Up



FEMALE
14 YEARS OLD
NENNTLEHNY, ILLINOIS
UNITED STATES
IM SO GOOL ONline

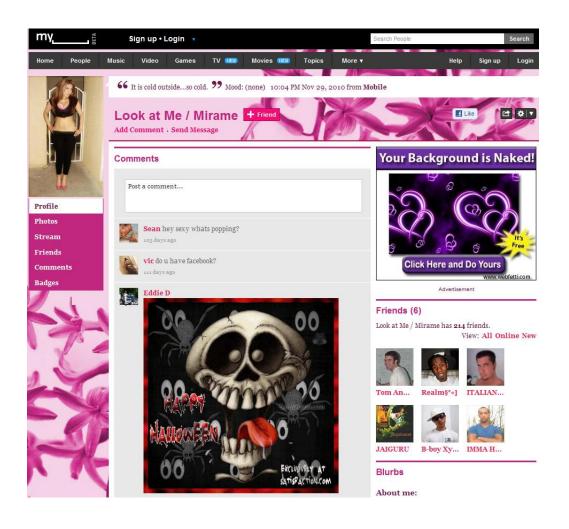


16 years old RACINE, WISCONSIN United States

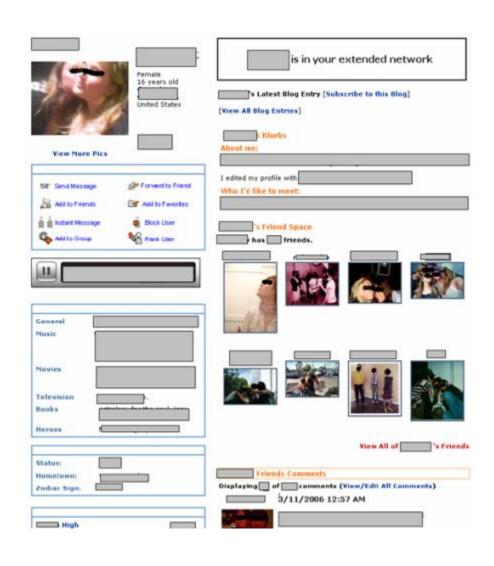


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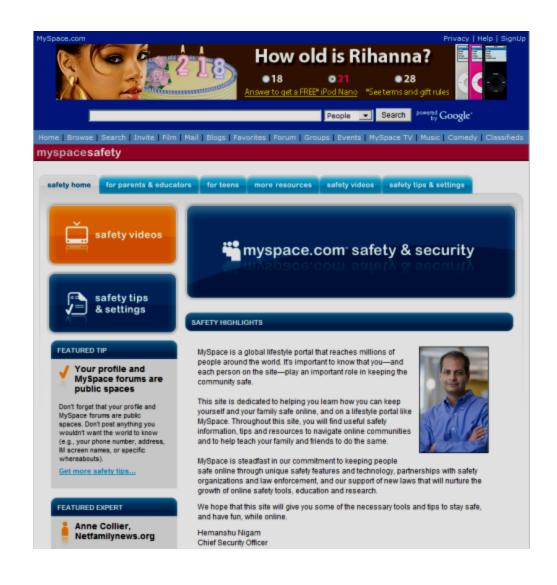
#### The potential for too much information?



#### All of Someone's Information In One Place



## Many Community Websites Have Safety Information Sections:



## Questionnaires & Surveys



- Run away from home?
- Lie to your parents?
- Run from the police?
- Ever shoplift?
- Best physical feature?
- Lie to your best friend?
- CENSORED-CENSORED-CENSORED

## Responsible Posting & Blogging

## Forms, Chat Rooms & Blogs

#### **BE CAREFUL**

There are no secrets...and what you write can remain online forever....about yourself, what you've done, how you feel about what you or someone has done...or...???







## An impact...for life



Writing the wrong thing online – even as a joke – could change your life forever





Enter Web Address: http://

Searched for http://myspace.com

\* denotes when site was updated.

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# What to do?



# Conclusion

#### **In Conclusion**:

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- Hackers, Adware, & Spyware
- E-mail
- Viruses
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- Community Websites







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