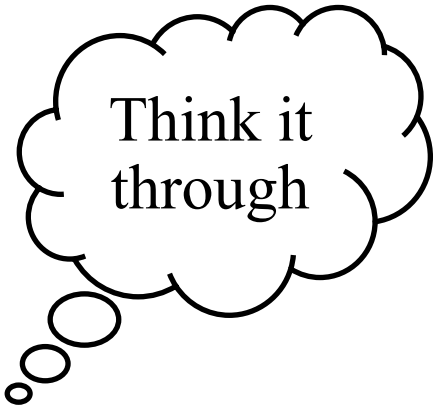
Communicating Online



Draft Version One

Aim
To get the family thinking about how they share information online.

Age
Families of Junior School age.

Preparation before the session
Print and cut out the cards on page 2 & 3. Print out page 4. Find a place where you can all sit round and look at the cards such as on the floor or around a table.

Activity one
Show the cut up cards in the middle. Ask each member of the family to chose one card they find annoying. There are some blank cards to write in anything that the cards have missed. Give everyone a chance to say why it is annoying.

Activity two
Give out the column sheet and ask family to put all the cards into do lots, do sometimes, don't do.

Activity three
Inside each column can you put the most important messages at the top and the least important at the bottom of the column.

Family discussion
Were any cards difficult to place? What were they and what was the reason for the difficulty?
What were your column toping cards? Why were these important to do, do sometimes or not do?

Family Rules
Are there any ideas that you think might be worth doing yourself?
Are there any that you think would be good for the whole family?

Parents Note
There may be some rules for children and some for parents. This is ok however, it is worth explaining why and giving children dates in the future when these can be reviewed.

Checkout all the users of the group to see if you know them all before joining.

Read the chat for a bit to see what everyone is saying before joining in.

Read what you have typed and ask yourself, “If I received this message would I be happy to read it?”

Before sending, read what you have written and ask yourself if anyone else could give it a different meaning.

TYPE EVERYTHING IN CAPITAL LETTERS

!!!!Add!!!!!
?!!!!Extra!!!!!
!!!Punctuation!!!!

Use lots of emojis

Use lots of abbreviations LOL

Say the silliest thing that comes into your head to attract everyone's attention.

Share silly videos	Share funny selfies	Bend the truth a bit to make yourself out to be cool.
Tell a rude joke	Share cute animal pictures and videos	Tell a shocking lie to get everyone Talking.
Repeat the same comment until someone answers.	Share a real secret	

Do Lots	Do Sometimes	Don't Do