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Now here's some top tips to help you  
enjoy your present and stay safe online...



# Staying safe online

## Top ten tips

1 Before you post any message online, stop, think and be sure it is really what you want to say

2 Never post personal details like your address, phone number, email details or passwords

3 Ask yourself, do you really want to share that picture or video? Once it's out there you lose all control

4 Be careful what you download. If you think it might be illegal - don't do it

5 Be aware that not everyone is who they say they are. Never arrange to meet someone you have met online



6 Make your privacy settings as high as possible

7 If someone is trying to bully you online, don't respond - block them

8 Don't share any messages you receive that involve bullying or abusing someone else and don't share anything which you think might be illegal

9 If anything is making you feel worried, talk to your parents or a teacher

10 If you want to find out more about staying safe, use your new device to find some of the many websites that can offer you great advice