

Video zone: Five social media musts for teens – exercises

Social media is everywhere but are you using it smartly? Here are five easy tips.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises. Remember you can read the transcript at any time.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

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| 1..... to brag | a. a social media message that tells other members what you are thinking or doing |
| 2..... foolproof | b. to talk about what you have done or what you own with too much pride |
| 3..... a screenshot | c. to pretend to be another person |
| 4..... to impersonate somebody | d. a saved image of what is on a computer or phone screen |
| 5..... to reveal something | e. abilities to do something |
| 6..... privacy settings | f. controls on a computer, website or app to limit who can access your profile and what information people can see |
| 7..... capabilities | g. to show something that was hidden |
| 8..... a status | h. perfectly secure; unable to fail |

1. Check your understanding: grouping

Write the tips in the correct group.

a. Watch the clock.	b. Reveal your location to everybody.
c. Impersonate other people.	d. Control who sees your posts and locations.
f. Forward hurtful messages or embarrassing photos.	e. Be respectful.
	g. Think before you post.

Do	Don't

2. Check your understanding: matching

Match the tips with the supporting information and write a–e next to the numbers 1–5.

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| 1..... | Use privacy settings. | a. | Even the best privacy settings aren't foolproof. |
| 2..... | Think before you post. | b. | Most websites and apps allow you to control who sees your posts and locations. |
| 3..... | Be respectful. | c. | Social media can be fun but it's also a real time suck. Hours and hours can go by, which isn't great for getting anything else done. |
| 4..... | Be careful about revealing your location. | d. | Never forward hurtful messages or embarrassing photos, and impersonating other people is a definite no-no. |
| 5..... | Watch the clock. | e. | Although it might be tempting to use location capabilities to connect with friends or brag about where you are, it's not always a safe move. |

Discussion

What social media do you use?

Is social media an important part of your life?

Which of these tips do you think are good advice?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learned in this lesson.