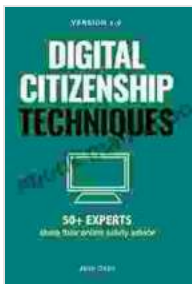


# Digital Citizenship Techniques: 50 Experts Share Online Safety Advice

Digital citizenship is the responsible use of technology and the internet. It involves understanding the ethical, social, and legal implications of using technology, and using it in a way that is respectful of others.

Digital citizenship is important for everyone, but it is especially important for children and young people. They are growing up in a world where technology is ubiquitous, and they need to be able to use it safely and responsibly.

There are many reasons why digital citizenship is important. Here are a few:



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- **To stay safe online.** The internet can be a dangerous place, and there are many risks that children and young people can face online, such

as cyberbullying, online predators, and identity theft. Digital citizenship can help them to stay safe by teaching them how to identify and avoid these risks.

- **To be responsible users of technology.** Technology can be a powerful tool for learning, communication, and creativity. However, it is important to use it responsibly. Digital citizenship can help children and young people to learn how to use technology in a way that is respectful of others and themselves.
- **To be good citizens.** Digital citizenship is not just about staying safe online. It is also about being a good citizen in the digital world. This means being respectful of others, using technology to help others, and standing up for what is right.

There are many things that you can do to become a good digital citizen. Here are a few tips:

- **Be aware of your online presence.** What kind of information do you share online? Who can see it? Are you comfortable with that?
- **Be respectful of others online.** Don't say or do things online that you wouldn't say or do in person.
- **Be careful about what you post online.** Once you post something online, it is there forever. Be sure that you are comfortable with what you are posting before you hit the "share" button.
- **Use strong passwords and keep them secret.** Don't use the same password for multiple accounts.
- **Be aware of the risks of cyberbullying.** If you are being cyberbullied, tell a trusted adult.

- **Be a good role model for others.** Show others how to be good digital citizens by being respectful, responsible, and safe online.

Here are 50 tips from experts on how to stay safe and responsible online:

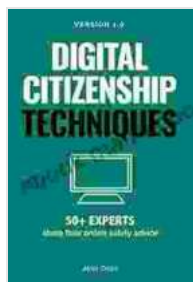
1. **Be aware of your privacy settings.** Make sure that you know who can see your posts and information.
2. **Don't overshare personal information.** Don't share your address, phone number, or other personal information online.
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5. **Be aware of the risks of cyberbullying.** If you are being cyberbullied, tell a trusted adult.
6. **Don't meet in person with someone you meet online.** If you do meet someone in person, make sure to do so in a public place and let someone know where you are going.
7. **Be careful about what you download.** Only download files from trusted sources.
8. **Be aware of the risks of viruses and malware.** Keep your software up to date and use a virus scanner.
9. **Don't open attachments from unknown senders.** If you receive an attachment from someone you don't know, don't open it.

10. **Be careful about who you friend on social media.** Only friend people you know in real life.
11. **Don't post anything that you wouldn't want your parents or teachers to see.** Remember, once you post something online, it is there forever.
12. **Be respectful of others online.** Don't say or do things online that you wouldn't say or do in person.
13. **Be a good role model for others.** Show others how to be good digital citizens by being respectful, responsible, and safe online.
14. **Talk to your parents or teachers about online safety.** Ask them questions and let them know if you are concerned about something.
15. **Use the internet to learn and explore.** There are many great resources available online. Use the internet to learn about new things and explore your interests.
16. **Be creative online.** Use the internet to express yourself and share your ideas.
17. **Be aware of the risks of online gaming.** Only play games that are appropriate for your age.
18. **Don't spend too much time online.** It is important to have a balance between online and offline activities.
19. **Take breaks from technology.** Get up and move around every hour or so to avoid eye strain and other health problems.
20. **Be mindful of your online behavior.** Think about how your online behavior affects others.

21. **Be a positive force online.** Use your online presence to make the world a better place.
22. **Respect copyright laws.** Don't copy or share copyrighted material without permission.
23. **Be aware of the risks of online scams.** Don't click on links or open attachments from unknown senders.
24. **Don't share your financial information online.** Only share your financial information with trusted websites.
25. **Be aware of the risks of identity theft.** Protect your personal information and be careful about who you share it with.
26. **Use a VPN to protect your privacy.** A VPN encrypts your internet traffic and makes it more difficult for others to track your online activity.
27. **Use two-factor authentication to protect your accounts.** Two-factor authentication adds an extra layer of security to your accounts by requiring you to enter a code from your phone in addition to your password.
28. **Be aware of the risks of social engineering.** Social engineering is a type of attack where someone tricks you into giving up your personal information. Be careful about who you trust online.
29. **Be a good digital citizen.** Follow these tips to stay safe and responsible online.

Digital citizenship is an important skill for everyone, but especially for children and young people. By following these tips, you can help them to stay safe and responsible online.

Remember, the internet is a powerful tool. Use it wisely.

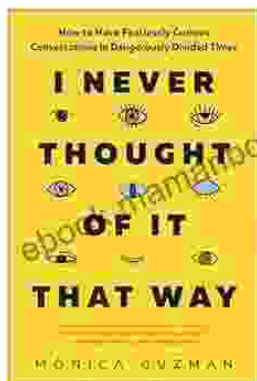


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