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- A free resource which outlines the key points related to each particular issue.
- In clear language, free of jargon and in easy to digest chunks.
- To engage students of all ages and learning styles and help them improve their understanding.
- To enthuse and engage young people and help create a positive learning environment.

This free resource introduces 'putting our photographs online'.

Why Should We Be Careful about Putting Our Photographs Online?

Ask the group if they have ever uploaded their photographs online (the answer will of course be 'Yes') and then write up the following on a whiteboard or flipchart:

'Once a photograph is out there in the 'virtual world', anyone can get hold of it and do what they want with it — it is no longer in your control!'

In 2007 a 17-year old girl uploaded a family photograph onto an online social networking site. She later discovered that her photograph had been used on the cover of an x-rated movie! Legal action had to be taken to get the photograph removed.

- Once you have uploaded a photograph online, it is very difficult to protect it.
- Photographs can be superimposed onto an x-rated picture or included in an x-rated movie as above.
- Once something is in cyberspace, you no longer have control over what happens to it.
- Take care and use privacy settings on social media sites when uploading photographs of yourself onto the internet.

Questions to Ask Students

1. Have you ever considered the dangers of putting photographs or other personal information online?

2. Have you ever edited a photograph of someone else online?

3. Who owns photographs which have been uploaded to a social media website?

4. Even if you own photographs, can social media sites do what they like with your personal content?

5. Should there be better protection of online content?

Conduct some research of the most popular platforms the students use. You may find ownership differs from platform to platform. This will depend on the service's terms and conditions and what you initally sign up for.

Useful Online Information

SafeKids.com	<u>www.safekids.com</u>
ConnectSafely	<u>www.connectsafely.org</u>
BullyingUK	<u>www.bullying.co.uk</u>
Childline	<u>www.childline.org.uk</u>
Kidscape	<u>www.kidscape.org.uk</u>

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