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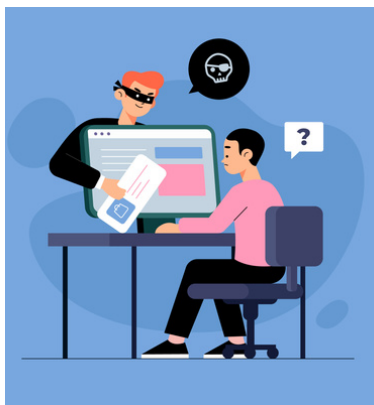
SAFE ONLINE SHOPPING – RECOGNISING TRUSTED WEBSITES AND AVOIDING SCAMS

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TRUSTED SHOPPING WEBSITES

Untrustworthy shopping websites are becoming increasingly common, drawing people in with “huge savings” or prices that seem too good to be true. While smaller or niche retailers can be genuine, it’s important to check reviews and confirm a site’s credibility before buying.

With children now having easy access to devices and stored payment details, it’s crucial to guide them on how to shop safely. Encourage them to use only trusted, well-known websites, look for “https” in the address bar, and never make purchases or share personal details without your permission. Setting up parental controls, keeping an eye on browsing activity, and talking openly about how to spot scams can make a big difference in keeping your family safe online.



ONLINE SAFETY HUB - AVOIDING SCAMS

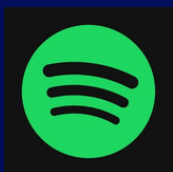
When browsing websites online, always consider the following:

- **Is this deal too good to be true?** - If something feels off, it probably is. Don’t rush to open links or enter details.
- **Are they pressuring me to click this?** - This could be with “limited time offers” or urgency messages to make you buy something.
- **Should I be putting my personal information on this site?** - Never share your email, passwords, bank details, or personal information unless you’re sure the site is secure.

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APP SPOTLIGHT - SPOTIFY



This week’s platform spotlight is **Spotify**. Spotify is one of the world’s most popular music streaming sites. Spotify clearly labels content with explicit language, but it also includes potentially inappropriate ads that can only be removed through a paid subscription.

- Spotify recommends that users should be at least 13 years old to make an account.
- Some content contains explicit lyrics, but there is an explicit content filter that you can turn on through your account settings with a premium family plan.

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