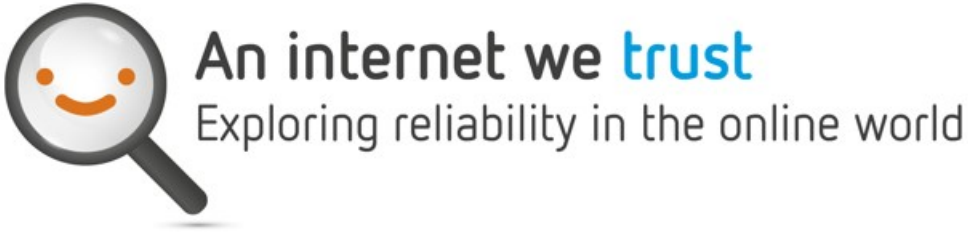
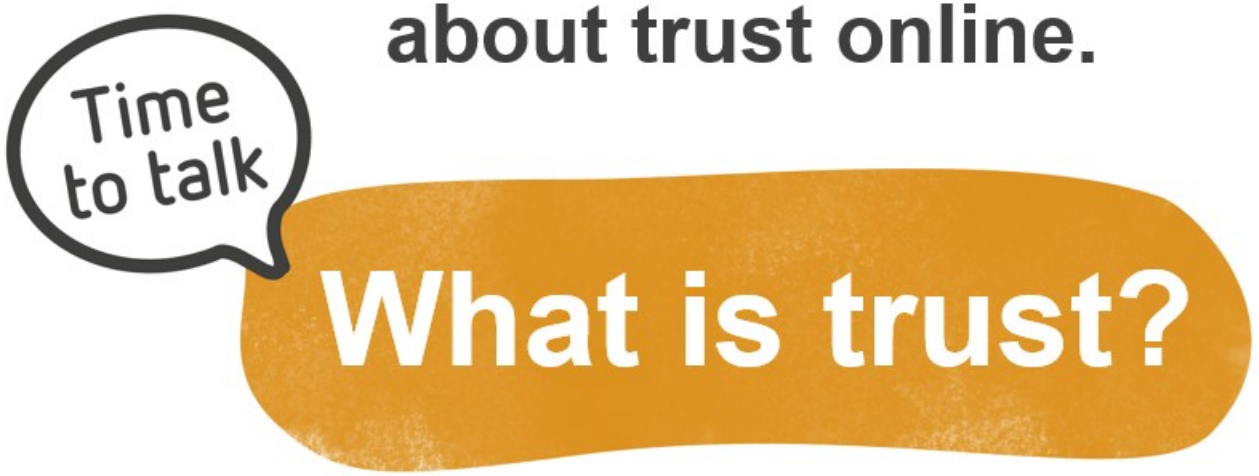
What is Safer Internet Day?

Safer internet day is a day celebrated across the globe in over 170 countries, with thousands of children joining in across the UK.

It's a day when we celebrate all the great things about being online and remind ourselves how we can stay safe.



Today we're thinking about trust online.



This year for Safer Internet Day we are looking at trust online. Let's have a think, what is trust?

Trust is when we have a strong belief that someone or something is honest and tells the truth. For example, you might trust your teacher is telling the truth when they say that you have a school trip coming up,

Can we trust everything we see online?

What do you think?

Time to talk

Can you think of any examples?

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Can we trust everything we see online? Give me a thumbs up if you think we can trust everything we see online, or a thumbs down if you think we can't trust everything we see online.

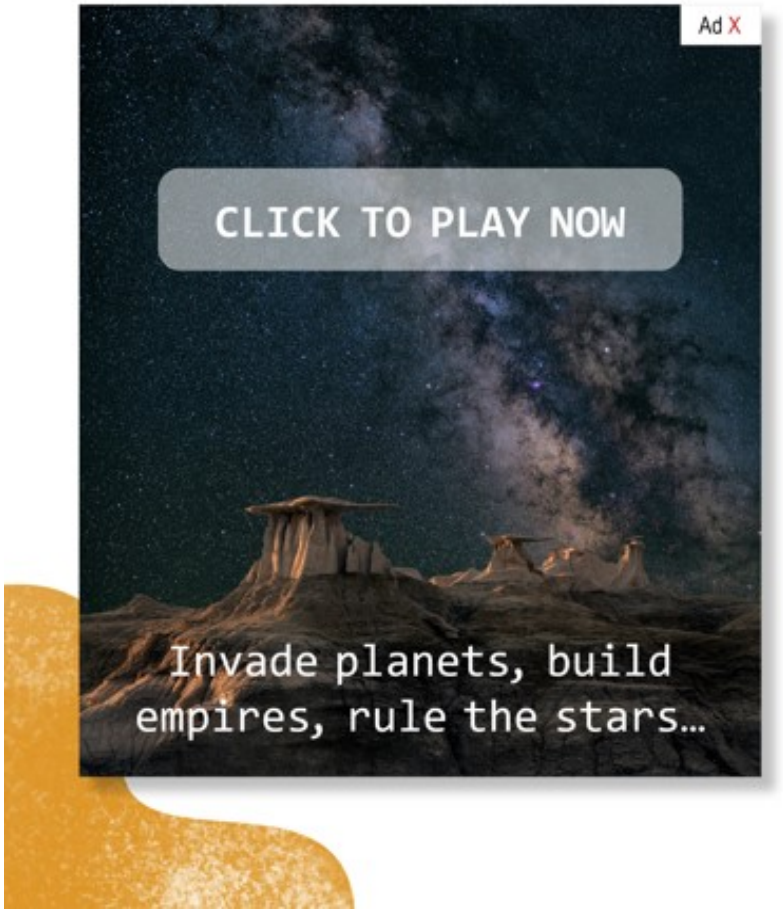
Although there is lots of great information online that is useful and trustworthy, it's important to remember that there is also information online that is not so trustworthy and may even been there to try and confuse or persuade us.

We are now going to play a game called 'Trust it or Check it?' You will see an example of something you might see online. I would like you to have a think about whether you would trust it, or not trust it and check with an adult. I will be asking for your thoughts on each example.

We will also be looking at how seeing each of these examples online might make us feel.

If you saw this trade in an online game would you trust it or check it?

This looks like someone is trying to make an unofficial trade. Agreeing on a trade should always be done using the official trading system in the game - this will make sure it is safe and trustworthy. Make sure that you feel the trade is fair before accepting.



Trust it or check it?

How would it make you feel?

Happy

Curious

Confused

Shocked

Angry

Worried

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If you saw this advert online would you trust it or check it?

It can be tricky to tell if an online advert is trustworthy or not. It's always best to check and if you weren't sure, you could look up the advert separately online and speak to an adult you trust about whether it's real or not.

If you saw this chain message online would you trust it or check it?

It can be worrying if you receive a chain message. It's important to remember that these are not true. However, if you are worried by what you have read or seen it's always good to talk to an adult you trust. It's best not to share these on as this might cause more people to worry.

Trust it or check it?

Scientists reveal plan to build giant freezer to prevent global warming

01/04/2020
By J. Oker

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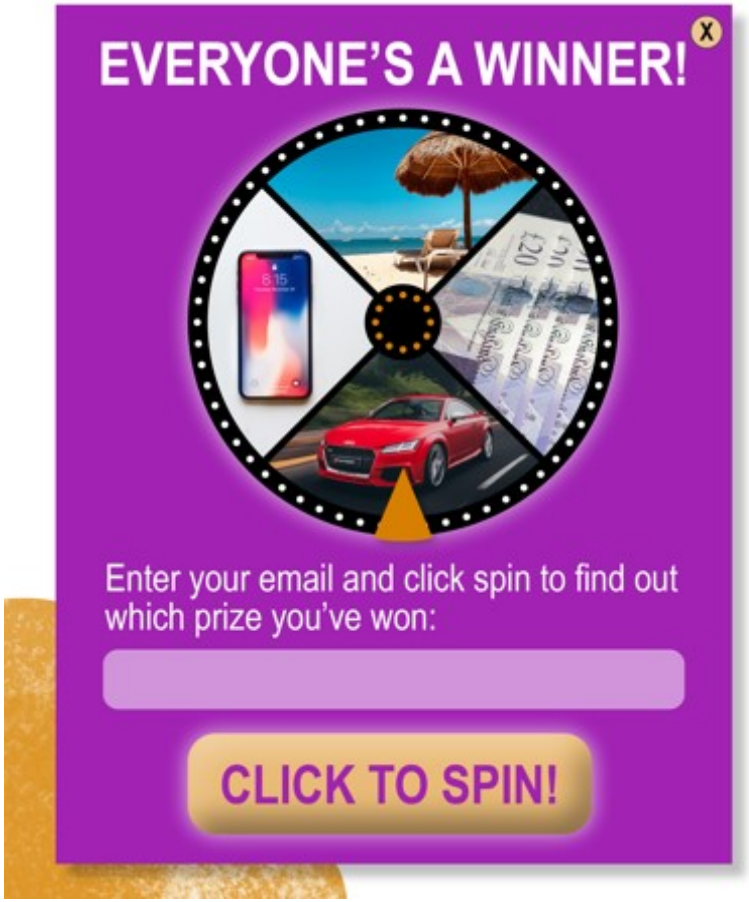
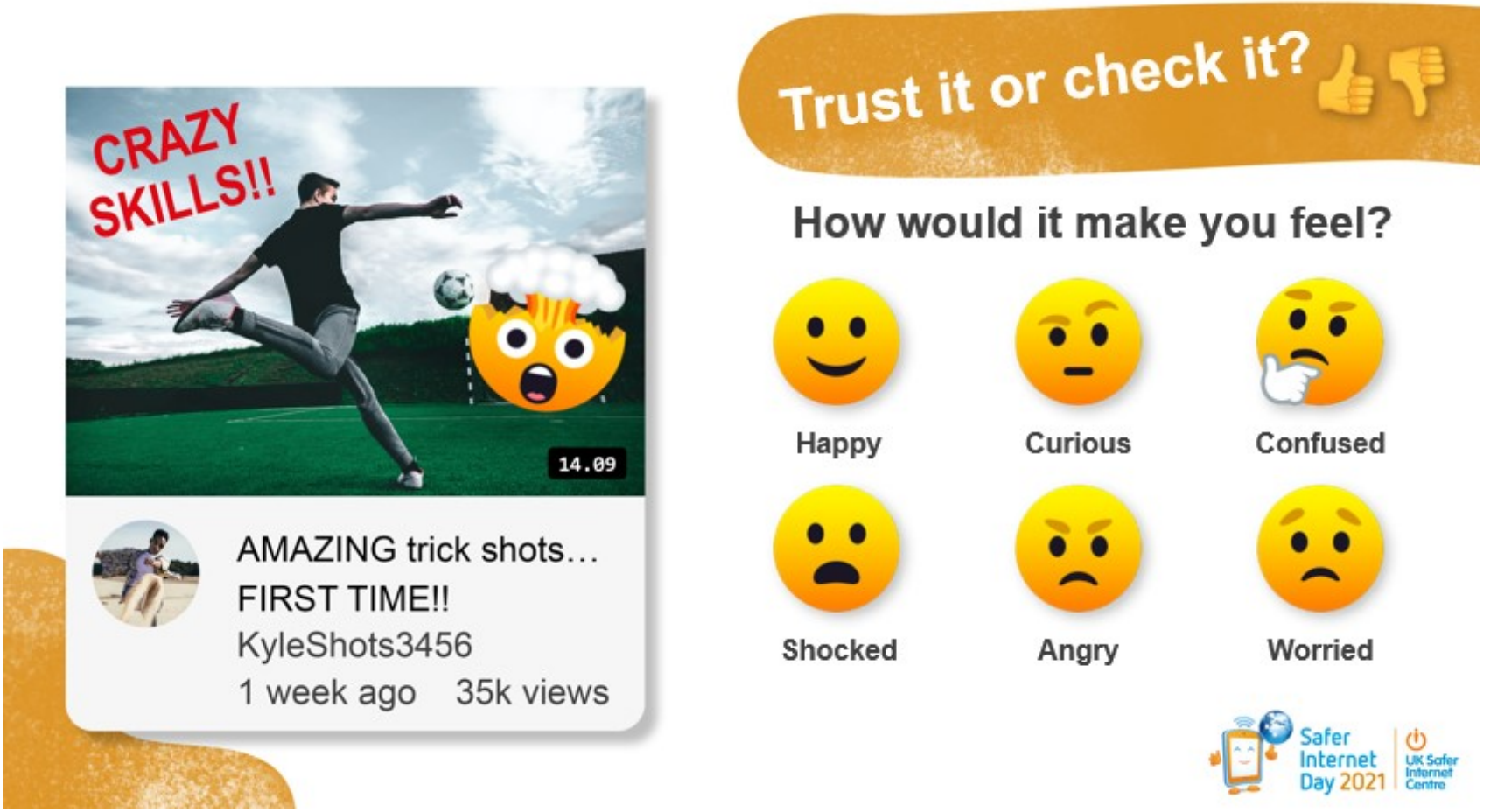
If you saw this news headline online would you trust it or check it?

This example looks like it could be a joke. People usually share jokes to make people laugh. They tend to be very exaggerated, or they can be sarcastic (saying one thing, but meaning the opposite) and might even be trying to make fun of something or someone. It's important to read past the headline and look at who it is written by.



If you saw this competition online would you trust it or check it?

It can be really tempting to enter competitions online and sometimes they are genuine, and you can win some great prizes! It can be helpful to think to yourself that if something seems too good to be true online, it probably isn't true. This might be an example of 'phishing.' It's probably trying to collect personal information such as usernames and emails to gain access to people's accounts. Be careful about sharing personal information online and always check with an adult before entering any competitions.



If you saw this video online would you trust it or check it?

Remember that just like photos, videos can be edited too. You also might not be given all the correct information. In this example, where it says 'first time trick shot', this probably isn't true and more than likely took a lot of time and effort.

If you received this message online would you trust it or check it?

Make sure you always keep your personal information safe online. If a stranger online asks to meet up, for any personal information or for pictures or videos it is really important not to share any of these and to tell an adult you trust straight away. They can help you and make sure the correct action is taken, like blocking the user so they can't contact you again and making a report.

There are lots of things you can do to help, but most importantly, make sure you talk to an adult you trust for help. This could be an adult at school or at home.

Remember, there is lots of information when you go online, some true, some not. Use the advice from this assembly to help you decide and to make sure you keep yourself and others safe when online.

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AA& EE Activities

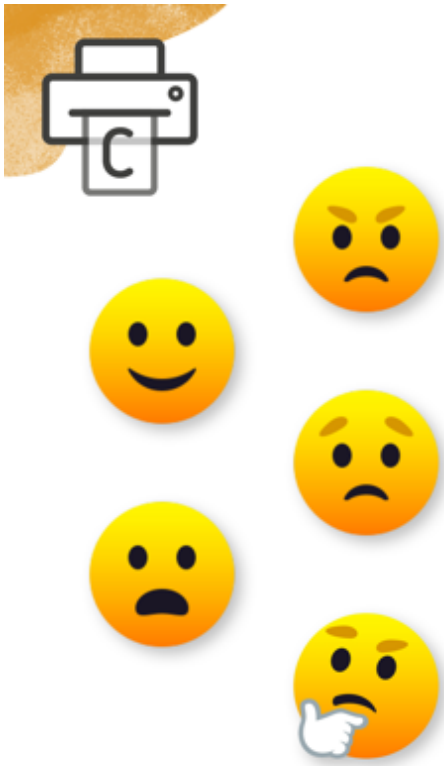
Look at this card and see how many of these you can complete. When you have completed them colour in the box.

Detective

Name _____

Find a fact you didn't know before (Remember to make sure it's reliable!)	Think about how being online is making you feel and tell someone you trust	Check 3 sources to see if something is reliable/true
Find an article or video online where a person is giving their opinion	Share something useful online to friends/family	Use a search engine and spot the sponsored results
Laugh out loud at something online	Find an image which has been edited	Spend some time researching a topic you're interested in with an adult you trust

Look at these different scenarios and think about how each person would feel. You can discuss this with someone else or you could write down your ideas and send it to your teachers. Think about why you have chosen a particular feeling.



Feelings

1. Sami watches a video of an amazing trick shot. They try to do it themselves but just can't get it right.

2. Joe is noticing that lots of the people he sees online do not look like him, they all seem to be so 'perfect'.

3. Mae receives a message that says you should share it with five friends or get bad luck. When Mae shares it, her friends all laugh at her for believing it

4. Mani keeps receiving lots of private messages online from very long and odd-looking usernames. He is not sure who these people are.

5. Charlie sees some exciting news about a new game being released and sends it to her friends. One of them replies explaining that it's not real.

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Look at these words and definitions. Cut them out and match them to the correct words/ meanings. How many have you heard of already? Do you need to look some of them up?

Advert	Something or someone you can trust
Pop-up	A paid message that tries to get you to buy something, or put forward a certain opinion
Trick	Facts or details about something
Reliable	Messages or pages that suddenly appear on your screen. These are often adverts and can take you to other sites
Information	A joke or prank towards someone to catch them out or mislead them
Sponsored	A person or site pretending to be something official to get someone's personal details
Phishing	The power to cause an effect on someone else
Hoax	Something fake presented as real to trick someone
Influence	A promotion that is paid for by an advertiser and shared by another brand or influencer
Sceptical	Not being sure if something is true/reliable
Misinformation	Incorrect information shared on purpose to deliberately mislead
Disinformation	Incorrect or misleading information shared by accident

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Activities

Choose an activity to complete. Remember to send your work to school so we can share it with others!

- Create a quiz or a board game on e-safety. Remember to write a set of rules of how to play!
- Create a leaflet/poster digitally or on paper of how to stay safe online (there's some examples attached)
- Write an acrostic poem using the letters of 'Safer Internet Day'
- Create a 'promise' tree
- Create a video or animation to show the importance of staying safe online. You could even do this on Scratch!
- Write your own song about staying safe online
- Find out about the history of the Internet.
- How has it changed during the years that you have been alive?