

Safer Internet Week 2019

What is Child Grooming?

- ▶ Child grooming refers to actions deliberately undertaken with the aim of befriending and establishing an emotional connection with a child, in order to lower the child's inhibitions in preparation for abuse or exploitation.



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Grooming: Why does it happen?

- ▶ The aim is to build an emotional connection with a child with a view to gaining their trust
- ▶ This is traditionally seen to be for sexual purposes.
- ▶ However, grooming techniques are also used to get people involved in both drugs and crime and radicalization / extremism.

When does grooming break the law?



What support are we providing for our students?

In school, there are a number of options if you are concerned about yourself, someone else or would simply like more information.

- ▶ The safeguarding team (Mr Solly, Mr Rhodes, Mr Waterman, Mrs Lowe, Mrs McFarlane)
- ▶ Your Progress Leaders
- ▶ Your form tutor
- ▶ Any member of staff!
- ▶ The most important thing, above all else, is that you talk to someone

How do I have a conversation with my child about the film?



What will my child be learning?

They will be learning about how to stay safe from grooming by using the Breck philosophy of:

- B** Be aware / believe
- R** Report / responsibility
- E** Educate / empower
- C** Communicate
- K** Know the signs / know who to talk to / keep safe

A person wearing a grey hoodie is shown from the chest up, facing slightly to the right. Their mouth is open in a wide, toothy grin. The entire image is overlaid with a dense, green digital rain effect, consisting of various numbers, symbols, and characters falling from the top. The background is dark, and the overall aesthetic is futuristic and digital.



What are some of the signs of online child grooming?

- ▶ Secretive behaviour about what they are doing online
- ▶ Having older boyfriends or girlfriends
- ▶ Going to unusual places to meet up with friends
- ▶ They suddenly have new things like clothes or phones which they can't explain
- ▶ They have access to drugs and alcohol
- ▶ Inappropriate sexual behaviour for their age
- ▶ They may become more withdrawn, anxious, depressed or aggressive
- ▶ Alternatively they can become more clingy, have problems sleeping and eating or can wet the bed

How to report concerns

- ▶ In Leicestershire; Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) (First Response Children's Duty Team) by calling **0116 305 0005** (24 hour phone line)
- ▶ To the Child Exploitation Online Protection Agency ([CEOP](#))
- ▶ Child Sex Offender Disclosure Scheme via your local police
- ▶ You can also talk to your child about their options
- ▶ Find out more information about grooming and staying safe at thinkuknow.co.uk

How to report concerns



Leicestershire
Police
Protecting our communities



POLICE & CRIME
COMMISSIONER
for Leicestershire



Safeguarding
Children Board
LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND

Leicester
Safeguarding
Children Board

Contact the **Child Safeguarding Team** on

0116 454 1004

or **Leicestershire Police** on **101**

or **999** in an emergency

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Help and advice:

Leicester City Council - **0116 454 1004**

Leicestershire County Council - **0116 305 0005**

Rutland County Council - **01572 758407**

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Child Exploitation and Online Protection command

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Quick exit

Are you worried about online sexual abuse or the way someone has been communicating with you online?

Make a report to one of CEOP's Child Protection Advisors

Should I make a report to CEOP? →

If you're worried about online abuse or
the way someone has been
communicating online, let CEOP know.



What happens when I make a report? →

One of our experienced Child Protection
Advisors will be there to make sure you
get the help that you need.



How can CEOP help me? →

Online abuse affects many children and
young people every day, CEOP has
helped thousands of people in need of
support.



GET SUPPORT

You can contact Childline about anything. Whatever your worry, it's better out than in. We're here to support you and help you find ways to cope.

There are lots of different ways to get in touch with us. And you can also get help from other young people through our site.

CALL, CHAT ONLINE OR EMAIL US



Call free on 0800 1111

The quickest way to get through to a counsellor. Talk to Childline from any phone for free without needing credit or it showing on the phone bill.



Log in for a 1-2-1 counsellor chat

Talk to a counsellor in a safe online chat. While waiting for a counsellor to be available you can look at other things that might help like videos and games.



Send an email

Use your Childline locker to send an email to a counsellor. You'll get a reply within a day. And you can write again whenever you want.

A safer internet starts with you...

- ▶ It starts with an open and honest dialogue.
- ▶ It starts with a balanced approach.
- ▶ It starts with using the tools available to help you.
- ▶ It starts with knowing where to get help.
- ▶ It starts with a family agreement.

Helpful Resources for parents:

- ▶ Internet Matters <https://www.internetmatters.org>
- ▶ Parent Info <http://parentinfo.org/search/node/online%20grooming>
- ▶ BBC Parent Online: Know your child <http://www.bbc.co.uk/webwise/0/25879514>
- ▶ PACE <http://paceuk.info/>
- ▶ CEOP <https://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>
- ▶ Barnardo's
http://www.barnardos.org.uk/what_we_do/our_work/sexual_exploitation.htm
- ▶ Think you know <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>
- ▶ Safer Internet Day resources for families: www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018/sid2018-education-packs/education-pack-parents-and-carers
- ▶ Educate Against Hate <https://educateagainsthate.com/>