

PLAYING MINECRAFT SAFELY

Children love playing Minecraft. It encourages creativity and helps to build team skills. However, it's not without its risks. Immerse yourself in the world of Minecraft so you can talk to your child about playing safely.

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Let's keep kids safe online



Single is safest

Single player

No one can join your child's game or contact them in Minecraft chat.

Multiplayer

- Join any game or server, public or private
- See, chat and interact with others, whether friends or strangers
- Search for family-friendly servers online. Moderated by parents, they have rules on language / behaviour

Play in peace

- Creative mode: no monsters or death, just fun
- Adventure mode: play with others, fight monsters, minimal grief
- Survival mode: collect resources, battle monsters, manage hunger and try to survive

Know the enemy

- A Griefer is any player who ruins your child's experience.
- Chat to your child about settings that limit them like 'Whitelisting'
- Report to the server admin anyone who chats abusively in Minecraft chat

Anonymity is best

- Use a nickname (not a real name) when playing
- Avoid using birth year in nickname
- Don't reveal age, school or address in Minecraft chat

Child friendly videos

Search for them online if you're worried that your child is watching Minecraft YouTube videos with bad language.