


Internet Monitoring Software



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- Packages to track activity on a computer
 - Screen Shots
 - Chat/IM
 - Block by contact
 - Keystrokes
 - Online Searches
 - Web Sites Visited
 - Emails sent/received
 - Programs run

- Which one is right for you?
 - Ages of Children – young children, tweens & teens
 - Functionality/Controls Offered
 - Ease of Setup

Functionality

- Web-based/Remote Data Access
 - Ability to monitor without logging onto computer being monitored.

- Stealth/"Indetectability"
 - Run the program "invisibly"
 - the person using the computer does not know monitoring software is running on the machine.

- Internet Site Filtering and Blocking
 - Make specific sites inaccessible
 - Via lists, keywords or categories
 - Other options
 - Windows offers blocking capabilities - [VISTA](#)
 - Anti virus software usually have filtering & blocking features

What Makes a Good Internet Filter*

- Easy to use and setup
- Effective balance
- Customization by user
- Combination of list based and dynamic (ie categories and keywords)
- Foreign language filter
- Override capabilities

□ * www.netnanny.com

Functionality

- Ability to monitor more than 1 computer
- Operating System – Windows / MAC
- Type and cost of support
 - Email, Phone, Live chat
 - Hours of operation
- Price

Packages

- Web Watcher – www.awarenesstech.com
- Net Nanny – www.netnanny.com
- I Am BIG BROTHER www.iambigbrother.com
 - [demo](#)
- Cybersitter (preteen) www.cybersitter.com
- SnoopStick (teens) – [demo](#)
- Spectator Pro - www.spectatorsoft.com
- Eblast – www.eblast.com
- Netmop – www.netmop.com

Review Sites

- www.monitoringadvisor.com
- www.monitoringsoftwarereviews.org
- www.wellresearchedreviews.com
- www.top-monitoring-software.com

Tips for Complete Internet Safety*

□ Educate yourself

- Teach your children how to be safe online
 - Don't post Personal Info
 - Pictures, name, address, phone#, school, etc.
- Setup your own accounts
- Teach young children what to do if they encounter porn online
- Manage children's time online
- Get older children to sign a contract. (see pg 11 for contract)
- Familiarize yourself with IM lingo
 - <http://www.netlingo.com/top50teens.cfm>

□ * from www.netnanny.com

Other Resources

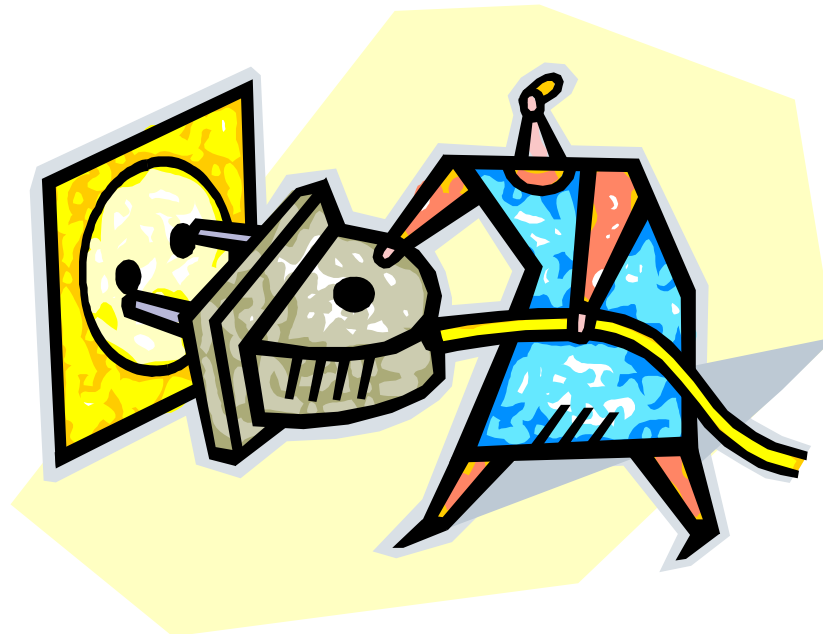
- www.wiredsafety.org
- www.teenangels.org
- Other Resources



- Local news programs
 - www.7online.com
 - <http://abcnews.go.com/gma>
 - www.myfoxny.com
 - www.nbc4.com - [lingo](#)

LAST RESORT

□ PULL THE PLUG!!





RESPONSIBLE SURFING

KIDS SAFE SURFING CONTRACT

Place/Date _____

I am very interested in learning how to use and using the internet. I fully understand that there are some things that are important for me to agree to and know of. In addition there are some rules that I agree to follow completely. I hereby agree to follow the following rules about my internet use.

1. I will always inform a parent or grown up if there is something I do not understand, am afraid of, believe may be dangerous, feel bad about or involves something I do not want to participate in online.
2. I understand that some people may pretend to be someone they are not online and there are grown ups who pretend to be children.
3. I will never reveal my name, address or phone number online. I will also not reveal where or when I go to school, sports or other activities. I will also not give any similar information about my parents, siblings or friends. If I feel it may be alright to pass such information along I will consult a grown up.
4. I will never give out my chat handle/nickname or add anyone to my chat program without my parents permission.
5. I will always inform a parent or guardian of those I meet online and ask them before I answer someone I have not talked to before.
6. I will always look after my passwords and not reveal any information about them.
7. I will not fill out any forms online, participate in competitions, or sign my name online without first consulting an adult. I will further read all directions on sites that request such information to ensure that the information will be safe.
8. I will avoid arguing online and if someone picks a fight with me I will show an adult either on screen or a printout.
9. I will not say mean things nor tease anyone online.
10. I will never agree to meet friends I only know online outside of the computer and if at any time this becomes necessary I will not do so unless accompanied by an adult.
11. I will not call any online friend whom I only know online nor accept that such friends call me.
12. I will never respond to anything online that is rude, seems dangerous or weird in some way and if I receive messages like that I will inform an adult immediately, save the message(s), print or write down the senders handle/nickname.
13. If I witness someone doing something which they shouldn't be doing online I will inform an adult.
14. I will avoid keeping secrets and will inform a parent or guardian of everything I do online.
15. I will avoid websites that require payment unless I have explicit permission from a parent or guardian.
16. I will never send a picture of myself, friends or relatives unless I have permission from a parent or guardian.
17. I will not buy anything online nor reveal a credit card number without permission and in the presence of an adult.
18. I know my parents want to help me and support online and I will accept to abide by the things they ask of me.
19. I will attempt to teach my parents when they do not understand programs or sites that I am using.
20. I understand that there are viruses online and I will be careful to virus scan any and all materials I download from the net.
21. Furthermore I will ask a parent/guardian for permission before I download material to the computer.
22. My parents agree to not overreact to my actions and therefore I agree to reveal everything that happens online.

They also understand that the actions of others online are not my fault.

I (child) promise to abide by these rules

I (parent/guardian) promise to help my child to abide by these rules and not overreact to missteps

Date

Date

Online Resources

- [NetSmartz Workshop](#)
The NetSmartz Workshop is an interactive, educational safety resource that teaches kids and teens how to stay safer on the Internet.
- [ICAC Task Force Program](#)
Created to help State and local law enforcement agencies enhance their investigative response to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or other computer technology to sexually exploit children.
- [Stay Safe Online](#)
The official website of the National Cyber Security Alliance, with online security tips and resources for families and organizations.
- [OnGuard Online](#)
Practical tips from the federal government and the technology industry to help you be on guard against Internet fraud, secure your computer, and protect your personal information.
- [GetNetWise](#)
One click answers to many questions regarding online security and technology.
- [iSafe](#)
Non-profit foundation created to make the general public safer while online.
- [Stay Safe](#)
Resources for all ages on protecting yourself online.