

# Online Safety Newsletter

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### Age Ratings

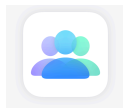
Age ratings help to protect your child, so it is important to check the age ratings of what your child is accessing online. Here are the age ratings of some of the more popular apps that young people are accessing:

Facebook 13+	WhatsApp 13+
Instagram 13 +	Youtube 13+
Snapchat 13 +	Fortnite 12+
X (Twitter) 13 +	TikTok 13

### Managing your child's device

Google Family Link or Apple Family Sharing lets you view activity reports showing how long your child has spent on each app. Approve or block new app downloads. Set screen time limits. Track your child's location.

You will need to download an app and then decide which settings are appropriate for your child.



### Squid Game

Squid Game has been rated 15+ by the British Board of Film Classification (BBFC). You can find out why by visiting the BBFC: <https://www.bbfc.co.uk/release/squid-gameq29sbgvjdglvbjpwwco1mzm3ndg>

Due to its popularity, Squid Game-related content can be found on numerous other platforms, such as YouTube, TikTok, and Roblox, so your child may come across this show without even viewing it on Netflix.

What can parents and carers do?

- Set up appropriate parental controls on your broadband to ensure that your child does not have access to content that is not appropriate for their age.
- Talk to your child about age and why this content may not be suitable for them to watch.
- Set up a profile on streaming services like Netflix, ensuring that children are only able to view content they are old enough to see.
- Report—Make sure that your child knows how to report and block on all platforms they use.
- Time together to watch and explore things online so that you are able to see what your child is doing and how best to support them.

For more information on appropriate content, please visit the link

<https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/inappropriate-content/learnabout-it/>