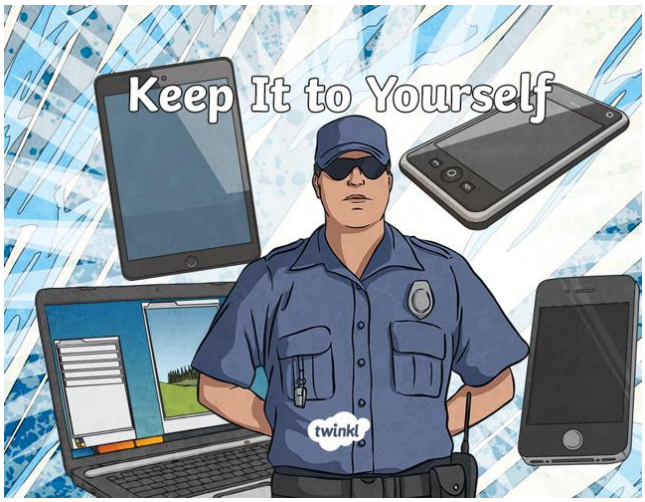

What Is a Password?

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What is a password?

Something to keep your things safe

A lock

A secret

A code

What Is a Password?

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Why do we use them?

To stop people seeing our information.

To stop people using our accounts.

To make sure only you can change your information.

Remember: adults will probably have more password-protected accounts than children and these could be for very important things.

Protect Yourself

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Passwords stop people from getting into your account, but they also stop people from seeing any private information that might be in your account.

When you make an account, you might have your name, address, phone number, email or even bank details stored there.

If someone has your password, they might be able to see all of that information!

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Another easy way to protect your information is to always choose to use strong privacy settings.

Privacy settings mean that you can control what people can see on your account.

It's the difference between a stranger seeing this:

Sarah Bailey

London

sarah.l.bailey@email.mail

Or this:

Sarah Bailey

unknown location

unknown email

Which one would you prefer a stranger seeing?

Tough Security

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Which of these four privacy settings would you advise someone to use on a children's social media site?

1. Your whole profile can be seen by friends.
2. You can choose which parts of your profile can be seen by both strangers and friends.
3. Anyone can see your whole profile, just be careful what you put on there (open profile).
4. No part of your profile can be seen by anyone.

Option 4 is definitely the most secure, but the second option could also be safe. If you are unsure, it is best to stick to the fourth option or ask an adult you trust to help.