

# (ISC)<sup>2</sup> Safe and Secure Online<sup>®</sup> GAMING

Kids can play games on any device, anywhere, at any time. Nearly every game today comes with some online functionality whether its in-game chat or micro-transactions for in-game currency.



Talk about expectations and set rules for time limits and allowed games.

Encourage keeping chat conversations relevant to the game.

Discuss options for setting up private chats with friends using tools like Google Hangouts or Skype instead of using the in-game chat feature.

Implement restrictions in the app store to prevent younger kids from downloading apps above a certain rating and set passwords to prevent accidental in-game purchases.

Communicate and ensure your children understand what information is personal and that it does not belong in-game or online at any time.



Become familiar with the ESRB rating system and follow it.



To see how your kids games are rated, visit [www.esrb.org/ratings/ratings\\_guide.aspx](http://www.esrb.org/ratings/ratings_guide.aspx)