

## **ONLINE SAFETY**

The Internet is a great tool for research, buying things, communication and more, but it is also can be dangerous if you do not surf smart. Read the statements below and then comment on these surf safe tips and scenarios.

you have never met?
You keep getting emails from someone you do not know. What should you do?
You meet someone in an online chat room and talk to them for an hour. They then want to meet you at the mall. What should you do?
John has a Facebook and an Instagram account with over a thousand followers each. He only knows about 100 of the Why could this put him at risk online?
Sasha is surfing the internet and gets a pop up that tells her to fill out the online form and she can win a free prize. The form is asking for her phone number, email and address. What should she do?



## DIGITAL LIFE PLAYING IT SAFE ONLINE

Instructions: The Internet is a great tool for research, buying things, communication and more, but it is also can be dangerous if you do not surf smart. Read the story below and then answer the questions.

Susan loves using Facebook and checks it over ten times a day. She loves posting things she is doing, movies she is going to see, her sports photos, and all her plans for the weekend. Susan just got a new follower request and although she did not know the person she accepted his request as he looked cute and his name was Josh.

A few days later Josh began trying to talk to Susan online. Susan spent a few weeks responding and talking to Josh and loved his conversations online. Susan told all her friends about Josh and how awesome he was. He was the same age as her, liked the same movies she did, and was also a soccer fan. She told her friends that she planned to meet Josh at the mall next week.

Josh at the man next week.
1. Are sites like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter safe to use?
2. Susan accepted a follower to Facebook that could have put her at risk. How can accepting Josh as a follower put her at risk?
3. How did Susan put herself in an unsafe situation?
4. There are some people with Facebook accounts that have over 5000 followers. How could that put them at risk?