



Basics of the use of computer and ICT

Digital safety



Introduction

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The series of booklets teaches you how to use the computer and internet.



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Each booklet is about a different topic.

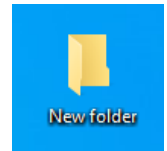
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1. Turn on/off computers

- Mouse and keyboard



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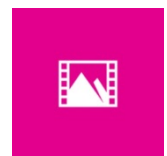
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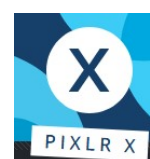
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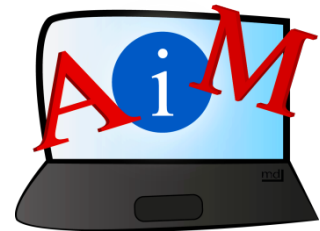
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In this chapter, you will learn

how to stay safe online.

Staying safe online means protecting your personal information from theft or other harm.

There are different safety practices that can help you to protect your personal information online.

Each part of this chapter will cover different safety practices.



Protect your passwords

To create a strong password, include a mix of numbers, symbols, and letters.

When you use letters, include uppercase and lowercase letters.

Password

Use 8 or more characters with a mix of letters, numbers & symbols

Strong password looks like this: S@d37U@n

This is only an example.

Use this example to create your own unique password.

Your password has to be different from the example.

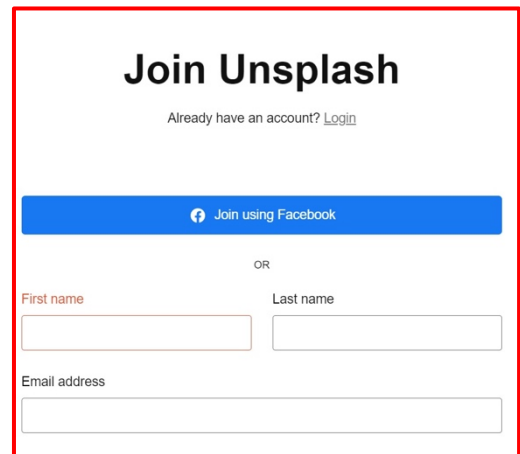
Strong passwords protect your online profiles and accounts from theft.

Create accounts in legitimate websites only

Some websites invite you to create an account and sign up.

Make sure that the website is safe

before creating an account and signing up.

A screenshot of the Unsplash sign-up page. The page has a white background with a red border. At the top, it says "Join Unsplash" in bold black text. Below that, it says "Already have an account? [Login](#)". There is a blue button with a Facebook icon and the text "Join using Facebook". Below the button, it says "OR". There are two input fields for "First name" and "Last name", and one input field for "Email address".

- The website is unsafe if it has misspellings and grammar mistakes in the website address.

- The website is unsafe if it has a lot of pop-ups.

Pop-up is a small window,

that suddenly appears on your screen.



Keep your personal information to yourself

Don't share your personal information with the people that you meet online.

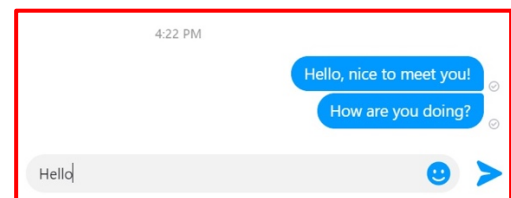
Personal information is your name, address, phone number, birthday, identity code and bank details.



Never share your bank details with people online.

Talking with strangers online

You never know who are the people that you meet online.



It is important not to trust the people that you meet online.

Some people that you meet online can try to steal your information or money.

To protect yourself from theft online, do not open emails and files from people that you do not know.

Do not tell your banking details, identity number, social security number, address or telephone to people that you meet online.

If you get a message or email from a person that you do not know, ask a friend or a parent to check it too.

Ask your friend or parent what they think about the message or email.



Do not reply if you get a message or email claiming that you won money.

This information can be a lie.

Ask a friend or a parent to check this email.

Do not reply if you get a message or email claiming that you need to pay money.

This information can be a lie.

Ask a friend or a parent to check this email.

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