**Legality Quiz – Answers.**

1. It’s against the law to have naked pictures or videos of someone under 18, that includes taking the photo, sending it on, or keeping any naked images you’ve been sent. The law is like this to protect young people from adults who sexually abuse them and take photos or videos of the abuse. But even if it’s a picture which your boyfriend or girlfriend has taken, it is against the law, you definitely should not share naked or indecent pictures of anyone without their consent.

2. You should never be forced into sharing or sending anything that you don’t feel comfortable with. Some people try to make others feel special by pretending to be their friend and saying nice things to them in order to build trust and to share photos. They may then ask you to send them more photos and threaten to send them to your friends and family if you don’t do what they say. It’s safest only to share photos that you would not mind your parents, granny or carer seeing. Sharing naked images of somebody under 18 is illegal, even if it is a picture you have taken of yourself, it is classed in the eye of the law as the distribution of indecent images of children and is an offence.

3. This is not normal or respectable behaviour, you would not walk into a room full of people you have not met and think it was fine to ask a stranger for a naked picture. If the site is moderated then you can report this and the moderators will block them from the site.

4. There is a website called CEOP – Child Exploitation and online Protection centre. Experienced advisors will listen and support you to get the help that you need. You can also ring Childline free on 0800 1111 for advice and support.

5. Always remember that people can easily lie about who they are online. Some people try to build relationships online with the intention of taking advantage of someone in real life. It’s always risky to meet up with someone you’ve met online so if you do decide to meet them follow these common sense rules:

- Always meet and stay in a busy public place.

- Do take a trusted, responsible adult with you, not a friend. If the person you’re meeting with isn’t being honest taking a friend will put you both at risk.

- Make sure a friend or family member knows who you are meeting, where you are going and when you’ll be back.

- Don’t accept a lift from the person you’re meeting.

- Stay sober.

- Take your mobile phone, keep it switched on and topped up with credit.

- Your personal belongings can be stolen, don’t leave them unattended.

**REMEMBER If anything happens that makes you feel nervous or you get a funny feeling about something, trust your instincts - they’re probably correct. Tell a trusted adult, call 999 or report to**[**CEOP**](http://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre) **if you’re worried about something that’s happened.**

6. Most websites have a way for you to ask them to remove ‘content’ – like videos, pictures, comments or profiles – that upsets you. This is called making a ‘report’. It’s important to know that making a report doesn’t mean the content will definitely be removed. Websites will only take content down if it breaks the website’s ‘terms of use’. Unfortunately, some websites are not as reliable as others and may not have clear reporting tools. In that case if it’s an ‘indecent’ image you can call [ChildLine](http://www.childline.org.uk/) on **0800 1111**. They work with the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) to get indecent images of young people deleted from the internet. You could also speak to somebody that you trust (e.g. a parent/carer, teacher) as a crime may have been committed. This might feel embarrassing or difficult at first but they will be aware that this happens and be able to help you.

7. There isn’t a particular ‘look’ that makes people that do this easy to spot. A paedophile can be male or female, young or old and from any cultural background. It is, however, important to be aware of someone who is trying to trick you into sexual activity whether you are male or female.

8. Consent is when a person freely gives their permission or agrees to something, after having carefully thought about whether or not they want to do it. This decision should have been made without that person being: pressured or bullied, encouraged to use drugs or alcohol to influence their decision, or manipulated or made to feel stupid. In the UK the law says that both people must give their consent before any physical closeness or sexual activity. This means that if you want to have sex, you should always make sure that your partner wants to as well. The law also says that to consent to sex a person must be over 16 and have the ability to make informed decisions for themselves.

9. Basically if the person is naked, a topless girl, if it contains genitals or sex acts, including masturbation, then it will be indecent. It is illegal to take, possess or share 'indecent images’ of anyone under 18 even if you're the person in the picture. Remember - if you wouldn’t show it to your parents or your gran, you probably shouldn’t share it online!

10. Child Sexual Exploitation – CSE is when someone takes advantage of you sexually, for their own benefit. They may threaten, bribe, show violence or humiliate you to try and gain control over you. They may tell you that they love you in order to get you to do sexual things with them or other people, they may offer you drugs/alcohol or even a place to stay.

11. Do not speak or meet up with strangers, use privacy settings so only your approved friends and family can contact you and access your pictures or posts. Never advertise your full address, the school you attend or your mobile number. Never lie about your age it could put you in great danger.

12. Nobody owns the image not even you, once the image is sent into cyberspace it is lost and can be copied then posted on to almost anybody and anywhere in the world. This can be reported to the website but there is no guarantee that the image can be stopped from being distributed. The things you put online can be seen by lots of people and might stay online forever. They are like digital footprints – a trail that people can follow, picking up pieces of information about you. Posting inappropriate pictures, posts, comments, tweets, etc. can affect your future. Many people have lost their jobs and students who applied to colleges have lost their opportunities to get accepted. Some students even lost their scholarships because of their inappropriate posts. You have to be careful what you post at all time!

**REMEMBER THE INTERNET IS A PLACE TO HAVE FUN BUT WE MUST ALWAYS KEEP OURSELVES SAFE, BE SMART!**

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 **R** **=** **RELIABLE**

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