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Cyber Heroes

Be SMART online: Phone and Internet
safety

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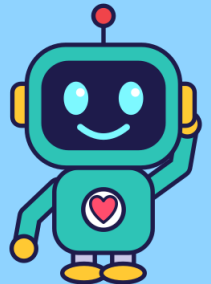
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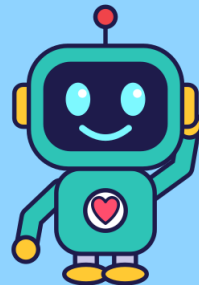


The CIO-CxO Digital Leadership Forum is a vendor-neutral platform that convenes Uganda's most senior technology leaders: CIOs, CTOs, CISOs and Heads of IT.

We work to advance digital leadership and a safer, more resilient digital Uganda.

Our Cybersecurity Working Group leads public awareness, including Cyber Heroes and Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

Setting the tone for digital leadership at the top.



Your phone is a superpower

What do you do online?



Play

Games with friends



Learn

Homework and
videos



Chat

Family and friends

Phones keep family photos, contacts and even mobile money safe. Cyber Heroes protect them!

Five SMART rules



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Safe: Keep private things private

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Meeting: Never meet online friends alone

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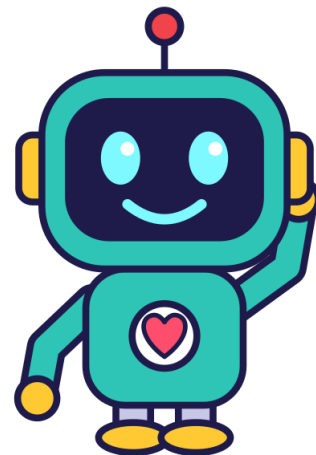
Accepting: Don't tap the trap

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Reliable: Not everything online is true

T

Tell: Tell a trusted adult



**Learn these five and
you're a Cyber Hero!**



is for Safe



Keep private things private



Full name



Birthday



Home address



School name



Phone number



Passwords and PINs

Ask a parent before you share any of these, or anything about your family.



Passwords are secret



Treat your password like your toothbrush



1

Don't share it. Only you and your parent know.

2

Never type a PIN or code to claim a prize.

3

Someone knows it? Tell a parent and change it.



Weak

john2014

Easy to guess



Strong

Blue-Zebra-Jumps-42

Random words plus a number

M is for Meeting



An online friend is still a stranger

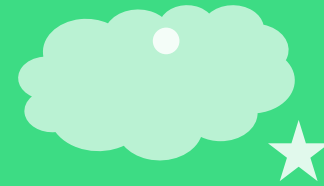


- 1 **Never meet** someone you only know from online.
- 2 **Tell a parent first.** A real friend will understand.
- 3 **"Keep it secret"** is a red flag. Tell an adult.

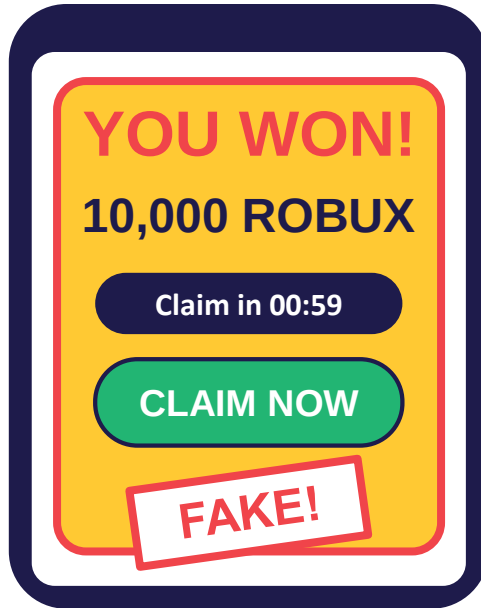
No way!



A is for Accepting



Don't tap, open or accept things from strangers



Sly Fox wants you to
tap!



Too good to be true. Free Robux, phones, gift cards.



A countdown timer. They want you to rush.



Asks for a PIN, password or code. Never!

How the trap works

It only works if someone taps!



1. The bait

A pop-up says you won a prize.



2. Fake page

It asks you to "verify" with a code.



3. Secret typed

Someone types a PIN or password.



4. Trouble

Sly Fox gets in and takes money.

Stop at step 1 and the trap fails!

The Cyber Hero trick



STOP

Don't tap. Put the
phone down.



THINK

Why is it free? Who is
asking?



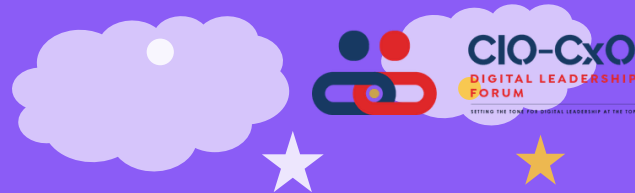
CHECK

Show a trusted adult.

Stop before you click. Think why it's free. Check with a trusted adult.



R is for Reliable



Not everything online is true



Sunny_Kid10

"Hi! I am 10 years old."



Could really be anyone!

People can pretend online.



Check two more places before you believe it.



Ask a trusted adult if you are not sure.



Too good or too scary to be true? Be careful.



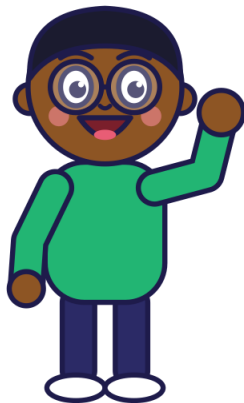
is for Tell



Tell a trusted adult when something feels wrong



Parent or guardian



Teacher



**Older relative you
trust**



**The No Trouble
Promise**

**You are NEVER in trouble
for telling an adult.**

If something goes wrong, don't panic

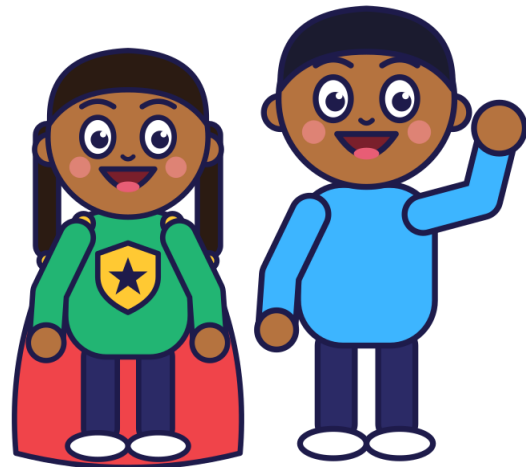
1 Tell a trusted adult right away

2 Change your password (with an adult)

3 Log out of other devices

4 Report the account or scam

Let's fix this together!



Hands up: safe or trap?



Thumbs up = safe. Thumbs down = trap!



1

A pop-up says: Free 10,000 Robux! Type your parent's PIN.

2

Your teacher gives you a link for homework.

3

A new online friend says: Meet me at the park and keep it secret.

4

You get a weird message and show your dad right away.



Your Cyber Hero checklist



STOP before you click



THINK before you share

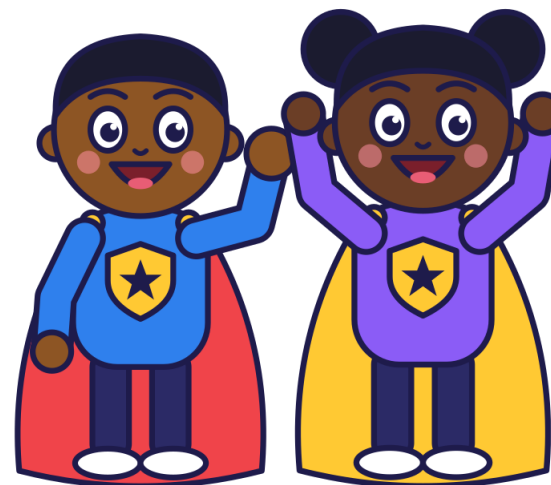


CHECK who is asking



ASK a trusted adult

You can do it!



The Cyber Hero pledge

- S** I will keep private things private.
- M** I will never meet online friends alone.
- A** I will not tap the trap.
- R** I will check what is true.
- T** I will always tell a trusted adult.



Beyond the classroom

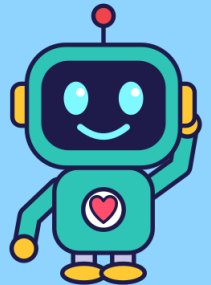


Today's Cyber Heroes session is part of a wider, sector-wide effort to keep Uganda's children safe online.

The CIO Women's Circle, with Shine for Change and Junior Achievement Uganda, is developing a position paper on child online protection. A draft is already in review with partners.

It proposes a multi-layered approach: equipping homes and schools, filtering harmful content at the network, and holding platforms and AI to account, in step with UCC's Be a Cyber Hero campaign.

Protecting children online, from the classroom to national policy.



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