



# WhatsApp safety guide for parents

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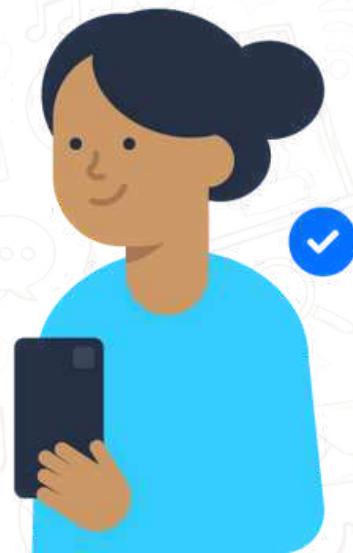
WhatsApp's  
minimum age  
in the UK

**58%**

Kids aged 3-17  
who use  
WhatsApp

**37%**

Kids under 13  
who use  
WhatsApp



## 5 tips to keep kids safe on WhatsApp



**1** **Review privacy settings** WhatsApp has a range of privacy and security settings to keep users safe. Customise groups, app access, live location and more.



**2** **Customise contacts** Show your child how to report and block unwanted contacts. Then, work with them to add their friends and family. Review and talk about their contacts regularly.



**3** **Talk about personal information** Make sure your child understands what personal information is. Talk about the importance of keeping that information private on WhatsApp.



**4** **Show them where to get support** If something goes wrong or they see something worrying on WhatsApp, make sure they know to come to you, and talk about other sources of support.



**5** **Check in regularly** Once you've done all of the above, check in with them regularly to review settings and how they use WhatsApp.

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