



*“When it comes to children’s safety online, there is no technological substitute for parental involvement, supervision, and guidance.”*

To help parents in this important task, here are some links that maybe helpful by accessing Microsoft family safety solutions;

- [www.Microsoft.com/protect](http://www.Microsoft.com/protect)
- Windows Vista  
[www.go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?linkId=133433](http://www.go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?linkId=133433)
- Xbox360 and Xbox Live:  
[www.xbox.com/familysettings](http://www.xbox.com/familysettings)

Microsoft family safety tools to will monitor your child’s computer use—from filtering web content and managing e-mail contacts to setting boundaries for socializing online.

### **Step 1. Decide where your child can and can't go on the Internet**

It's a good idea to visit some sites for kids. Pay particular attention when sites collect personal information.

Read the privacy statement and, if you don't agree with it, search a little, to find a similar site that doesn't request personal information.

### **Step 2. Block inappropriate content**

One of the best defenses against inappropriate content is to block it before you see it. With Microsoft software there are a few different ways you can do this.

### **Step 3. Increase your security and privacy.**

Set limits on downloads. Free games, free music, animated toolbars, and other downloads can expose your computer to [spyware](#) or other unwanted software. Depending on the ages of your children, you can teach them not to download software from unknown sources on the Internet or ask your permission before they download anything. This can help to keep unwanted software off of your computer.