

Internet Privacy



Hi, I'm Kate. We're here to learn about Internet privacy. We'll look at different internet privacy risks, and practical things you can do to help keep your personal information private and safe.

We'll follow along with Michelle as she browses the web. Today she'd like to buy a pair of shoes online and share a photo on Facebook. While she does this, we'll help her stay in control of privacy.

Ready to get started? Click the green button to continue.





While browsing the Internet, we are constantly sending and receiving information from various websites and individuals.

When we send and receive information, we can take control of who is able to see that information, and how much information they can see. Internet privacy refers to the level of personal, private information we share.





Here are four common tasks on the Internet that involve sharing information. Some information should be completely private, like credit card numbers and passwords. Other times, we may want to share something with others, but limit who can see it. In this course, we'll share tips for protecting privacy as we complete these tasks on Internet.

Click on each topic for more about privacy concerns.





When searching the web, your searches are often saved on the computer you're using. The search engine company can also see information about what you're searching for. Web browsers have settings you can apply to control the information that is tracked and saved.





Any time you visit a website, the owner of the website can see general information about the type of computer you are using and what you are doing on the site.



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Online shopping requires sending information like your passwords and credit card numbers to a website. You'll want to make sure the website is trustworthy and this information will be kept private.





Social media sites like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram are all about sharing. You can share things publicly, with groups of people, or with individuals. Companies like Facebook also have access to some information about what you share.





Good job. In this course, we'll see how to stay in control of your privacy as you use the Internet. Click the green button to move to the next lesson.

