

TIME : 25 minutes

OVERVIEW

Students watch "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation" to review basic Internet safety rules. Students discuss what it means to "Use Your NetSmartz" and develop a class definition.

PROGRAM GOAL

Enhance the ability of children to recognize dangers on the Internet.

MATERIALS

- computer lab or computer connected to an LCD projector or television monitor
- "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation" show
- whiteboard and markers
- "Internet Safety Pledge for Grades 3-6" (download from NetSmartz.org)
- copies of UYN lyrics (attachment 1)

ACTIVITY

Have students review what they know about the Internet.

Show "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation." Pass out copies of the UYN lyrics (attachment 1) so students can read or sing along. *Using your*

NetSmartz is a really important thing to remember whenever you go online. But being safer online is more than doing one or two things; it's an attitude. Clicky gives us some great ideas of how to use our NetSmartz. What are some of them that you can think of from the rap?

Write down all of the suggestions students provide from the rap in a column on the whiteboard. Never give out your name, age or location. Don't type back when someone is using all caps. Don't open an E-mail if you don't know who it's from. Don't meet ANYONE offline that you first met online. Tell an adult you trust.

The rules Clicky tells us are an important first step, but they aren't the only things we can do to be safer online. What are some other things you can think of? Write down all of these answers in a column next to the first. Prompt them with ideas like don't tell anyone your password, protect your computer from viruses, practice netiquette.

Inform the students that the new cyberdictionary has decided to include "UYN" in their newest edition, but they need someone to write a definition. With the class, pen a group definition of what UYN actually is from what they have brainstormed about. It is up to you to decide how elaborate the definition is. The point of this activity is for the students to put the concept in their own words. An example is given below for you to reference.

UYN (verb) pronounced *ewe why enn*:

1. An abbreviation for "Use Your NetSmartz"
2. To be smart and aware when online
3. To learn how to avoid the possible dangers of the Internet
4. To know what to do when something makes you feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused
5. To protect yourself so that you can surf the Internet more safely
6. To have an adult you trust to talk to if you're ever unsure of what to do

Type up a copy of the group definition and give a copy to each student the next time you meet. Also give them a copy of the Internet safety pledge to post by their computer.



INTERNET SAFETY MESSAGE

All Internet safety pledge rules apply.

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Hey there kids, UYN, the NetSmartz chat abbreviation.
There's BRB and KIT, LOL, haha, hehe. UYN, kids and teens.

Webster:

Uh, hey Clicky,
what does it mean?

Clicky:

Use your NetSmartz, UYN.
Use your NetSmartz when
you're on IM.

UYN, tell all your friends.
Be safer online, kids, UYN.
UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.

Never give out information,
like your name, your age,
or your location.

UYN, it's the smart thing to do.
Use Your NetSmartz.
All your friends can do it too.

If someone online is using all caps,
Think UYN, and don't type back.

UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.
UYN, UYN, all the NetSmartz
kids type UYN.

Nettie:

UYN, I like it.
Tell us more Clicky, please?

Clicky:

Alright, alright, but listen up,
these rules are important.
When you have an E-mail, and
you don't know who it's from,
UYN, don't open that one.

If you're on IM, no matter what time,
And someone tries to meet you offline,
UYN, tell an adult you trust.
Use Your NetSmartz,
now that's a must.

UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.
UYN, UYN, all the kids in the
world say UYN.

