

# Cub Scouts

## Safeguarding YOUNG Fact Sheet



In Scouts, you have a right to feel safe and to know what to do if you don't. We have rules and things in place to keep you well and happy and to make sure nothing bad happens to you. We want you to have lots of fun and exciting adventures with your friends in a safe and secure place. Your safety is important to us, and we're always here to help you.

Before you finish your Plan > Do > Review, please take some time to read and think about what these I Statements mean. They are like promises we make to keep ourselves and our friends safe.

1

**I respect personal boundaries and the personal space of my Scout friends.**

Personal boundaries mean giving space to your friends and not getting too close or touching them in ways that make them uncomfortable. It's important to ask for permission before touching or hugging someone.

2

**I say 'no' if someone tries to touch me in a way that makes me uncomfortable, even if it's a friend.**

Your body belongs to you, and you have the right to say 'no' if someone touches you in a way that feels strange or uncomfortable. It's okay to tell them to stop, even if it's your friend. You can always talk to a grown-up you trust about it.

3

**If something online seems strange or makes me feel weird, I will immediately tell a trusted adult.**

When using the internet or playing games online, if something doesn't seem right or makes you feel strange, talk to a grown-up you trust right away. They can help you understand if it's safe or not.

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**I understand that it's important to keep personal information, like my full name and address, private and not share it online.**

Personal information is private and should not be shared online. That includes things like your full name, home address, phone number, or any other information that tells people who you are. It's important to keep these things a secret and only share them with your family or grown-ups you trust.

**Remember, we want you to have a great time at Scouts while staying safe. If you ever have any questions or if something doesn't feel right, always talk to your Scout Leaders or a trusted adult. They are here to help you and make sure you have a safe and fun Scouting experience.**

