Leggi attentamente il testo e rispondi alle domande

SOCIAL NETWORKS

Play safe and avoid the dangers!

Social networking sites are a great way of making new friends and keeping in touch with old ones. Millions of people all over the world are now using them regularly. *MySpace* was the first of these sites. When it opened in 2003, it was used mostly by bands who wanted to communicate with fans and post information about concert dates and new records. Fans could download music of new bands, like “The Arctic Monkeys”, and exchange messages and photos. Now there are *Facebook* and *Twitter*, where people can express their opinions, chat with their friends and make new friends.

However this means millions of people are sharing personal information with people they don’t know. But how safe is this? Remember that once information is online, it is very difficult to control what happens to it.

Posting online

Most sites allow you to create a profile. This usually includes a photo, a description of your family, your likes and dislikes, favourite music and videos. It can be linked to your friend’s profiles. Remember that thousands of people can see your profile and not everyone will agree with your opinions. Think about the future. Will your profile or pictures be embarrassing if your parents or teachers see them? Will you get into trouble?

Be cautious!

Other people can put together pieces of information about you and use the information for illegal purposes. So you should keep your password safe and change it often, you shouldn’t give your date of birth to strangers, and you should never reveal your home address and telephone number to strangers. Remember the famous case of Rachel Bell, who used *MySpace* to invite her friends to a party while her parents were away. Hundreds of strangers arrived at her house and totally destroyed it.

But enjoy it!

Most people use networking sites safely. Be careful online in the same way you are careful offline. If you receive unwanted attention or offensive comments, tell an adult and contact the site administrator

1) Rispondi alle domande. Scegli l'alternativa corretta e ricopiala sul foglio protocollo

1. What are social network sites?
   - ☐ Social network sites are a way of making new friends.
   - ☐ Social network sites are difficult school subjects.
   - ☐ Social network sites are a way of studying languages.
   - ☐ Social networks are a way of listening to music.
2. How many people are now using them?
   - ☐ A lot of people are now using them.
   - ☐ Millions of people are now using them.
   - ☐ Thousands of people are now using them.
   - ☐ Nobody uses social networks.
3. What does a profile include?
   - ☐ It includes a drawing, an identity card and a notebook.
   - ☐ It includes a photo, a description of your timetable, your likes and dislikes, favourite music and videos.
   - ☐ It includes a photo, a description of your family, your likes and dislikes, favourite music and videos.
   - ☐ It includes your address and telephone number.

4. How did Rachel Bell use *MySpace* ?
   - ☐ Rachel Bell used MySpace to invite her friends to a party.
   - ☐ Rachel Bell used MySpace to invite her grandparents to a party
   - ☐ Rachel Bell used MySpace to invite her cousins to a party.
   - ☐ Rachel Bell used *MySpace* to watch videos of her favourite band.

5. What did hundreds of strangers do when they arrived at her house ?
   - ☐ They danced and listened to music.
   - ☐ They totally destroyed her house.
   - ☐ They played video games and watched some DVDs.
   - ☐ They played music.

2) Rileggi attentamente il testo e rispondi per esteso alle domande.

1. When did *MySpace* open?
2. What can people express on Facebook and Twitter?
3. How many people can see your profile?
4. Should you give your date of birth to strangers?
5. What about you? Do you sometimes surf the Internet ?

3) **Indica se le seguenti affermazioni sono vere o false. Correggi quelle false e ricopiale sul foglio protocollo.**

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1. Millions of people are now using social networks.		
2. Fans could not download music of new bands.		
3. Once the information is online, it is very easy to control what happens to it.		
4. You should keep your password safe.		
5. Rachel Bell used *MySpace t*o invite her teachers to a party.		
6. A stranger destroyed Rachel's house.		

4) **Completa l'email in cui sono state omesse alcune parole, scrivi una parola per ogni spazio libero scegliendo la proposta che ritieni corretta**

Hi Mary!

I'm writing you this mail on my new computer. It's fantastic!
I bought it yesterday and I (1)……use it already! It's not difficult!
When I bought the computer they(2)……me (3)…. mouse and (4)……. great games.
I am happy with my choice, I (5)……. be able to do all my homework quickly and it will be fun too!

Write soon

Claire

(1) CAN/COULD
(2) GIVE/GAVE
(3) A/THE
(4) SOME/ANY
(5) WILL/WOULD