Protecting Children from Internet Dangers

In modern times, the Internet has become the main tool in communication and learning for adults and young people, with the difference that children at this age are becoming more knowledgeable and informed. The narrow world is expanding to our children through the internet.

We know that the Internet today has become an important source of information, knowledge and communication. Every day, the number of sites, information and resources in terms of shopping, learning and education increases. The safety factor is an important issue that concerns many teachers and educators. Countries must therefore find effective mechanisms to protect children from any practices that they may be exploited to.

Safety Rules for use of the Internet via computers:

Parents need to educate themselves about all the new programs that allow them to find control of computers used by their children.

Check computer memory and find out which sites have been accessed or visited.

Educate and teach a child that the internet is a place to learn and thus acquire knowledge from. Therefore, we need to:

Configure the device to suit the desired objectives.

Make sure that children do not to give away any personal information such as name, address, phone number and personal photos to any anonymous person via the Internet.

Place the computer in a public area and not in a closed room to facilitate supervision and monitoring.

Install security software on the computer.

Find and prearrange good sites for children to visit directly on their own.

Restrict e-mail communication to a specific group of friends and relatives.

Continue discussing the dangers and benefits of the Internet with the child.

Enable and motivate self-monitoring of the child and provide him with information and methods of navigation safely.

Safety rules for mobile Internet use:

Get acquainted with all the specifications of the device you will buy for the child and ask how to cancel the services that you do not want your child to use.

Set specific times for mobile phone use.

Ensure that the child's PIN is used.

Ensure that the device fits the child's age and experience.

Be aware of the technologies/applications your child will use on a mobile phone.

Ensure that the child is aware of the risks he or she may face when using a mobile phone.

Kiddle Children's Finder from Google:

When our children use the Internet to search for any photos or information about school work, please encourage them to use Google's Kids Search Engine (www.kiddle.co.)

The site has the following features:

1. Safe Search: Search sites results meet family security requirements and block inappropriate sites for children.

2- The results of the research are arranged as follows:

Sites and pages written specifically for children.

Safe and reliable sites are not written specifically for children, but have content written in a simple, easy to understand and carefully chosen by the editors of Kiddle.

Safe and well-written adult websites that provide specialized content but are difficult for children to understand.

3. Large thumbnails: Most search results are displayed in large thumbnails, making it easy to scan and differentiate between results, as well as to click on the most relevant results, especially for children who do not read as fast as adults.

4. The site uses a clear font that is easy to read by children.

5. Privacy: No personal information is collected and the site deletes all data after 24 hours of use.

6. Why Kiddle site uses the domain .co instead of .com?

Because .co stands for (only children) - this is the vision and focus of Kiddle.