## Be a Digital Citizen

**KEY POINTS** 

## Keep It Secret, Keep it Safe!

### **Protecting Personal Information**

Your personal information is precious, and it's important to keep it private. Here are some key points to remember:

- **2** Your name, address, phone number, and school are just for you and your family!
- Never share them online with people you don't know. Protecting this information helps keep you safe from potential harm.
- Tip: Use a nickname instead of your real name! This is a fun way to stay safe while enjoying your online activities.

## **Think Before You Click or Chat!**

### **Communicating Safely**

When interacting online, it's crucial to maintain safety and boundaries:

- **Only talk to people you know in real life.** This helps ensure your online interactions are safe and trustworthy.
- Never agree to meet someone from the internet. Meeting strangers from the internet can be risky.
- **\$\int\_{\text{someone}}\$ If someone makes you feel weird or scared, tell a trusted adult right away!** Always trust your instincts and seek help when needed.

## Be a Password Superhero!

### **Creating Strong Passwords**

Strong passwords are a vital part of online security:

- **Create passwords with numbers, symbols, and BIG** + **small letters.** This combination makes it harder for others to guess your password.
- <u>Never share your password (except with a parent or guardian)</u>. Keeping your password private ensures your accounts remain secure.

## Your Footprints Last Forever!

#### **Understanding Digital Footprints**

Everything you do online can leave a lasting impression:

- Severything you do online leaves a mark. Be mindful of your activities and the trail you leave behind.
- Think twice before posting pictures or comments. Consider the long-term impact of what you share.
- **\( \sqrt{\) You can't always erase what you share—post smart!** Make thoughtful choices about your digital presence.

# Be a Creative Copycat... the Right Way!

### **Respecting Copyright**

Respecting others' work is important for maintaining integrity online:

- **3** Ask before using music, pictures, or videos that aren't yours. Always seek permission to use someone else's creative work.
- **You can create your own work—be proud of it!** Express your creativity and showcase your talents.

## **Spread Kindness Like Confetti!**

### **Being Kind Online**

Kindness is powerful, even in the digital world:

- Say nice things and treat people online the way you want to be treated. This golden rule fosters a positive online environment.
- **Open't send mean messages—words can hurt even through a screen.** Choose your words wisely to avoid causing harm.
- **Be a hero: if you see bullying, speak up and tell an adult!** Standing against bullying makes the online community safer for everyone.