



AACPS Digital Citizenship

Lesson Title: What's Private?

Grade 3

Time: 30 minutes

Overview:

Children learn about the power of the Internet to facilitate collaboration among students worldwide. While co-writing a story online, students learn an important safety rule: Before sharing private information in cyberspace, they must get permission from a parent or teacher.

Objectives:

- Identify information that is private
- Recall that private information should not be given out in cyberspace without permission of a parent or teacher
- Describe how students can collaborate on a project in cyberspace

Materials:

Web Resources/Tech Connections:

- [Story Book](#)
- [KidsCom Jr.](#)

Materials:

- Activity Sheet: *What's Private?*
- Activity Sheet: *Tell How You Did*
- Online computer access

Maryland Technology Literacy Standards for Students (MTLSS):

Standard 2.0–Digital Citizenship:

Students will demonstrate an understanding of the history of technology, its implications on society and practice ethical, legal, and responsible use of technology to assure safety.

Standard 3.0 – Technology for learning and Collaboration:

Students will use a variety of technologies for learning and collaboration.

Activities: Introduce (offline)

- Have students collaborate to tell a story. Provide a story starter: *A brother and sister are with their family at the beach. As they are running, the girl sees something moving across the sand.....*
- Allow volunteers, one at a time, to add sentences, building on the narrative.
- Explain that they can also tell a story with students who live far away by using the Internet.

(online)

- Take students *to the web by clicking* on Tech Connection Links, and then click on the *Grade 3- What's Private* (Links and URL addresses are also listed in Materials box in this lesson sheet.)
- Open the link(s). Please bookmark for students prior to lesson
- Show students how the Web site(s) allows them to send a message to a friend or to collaborate with others. **Ask:** *What private information does the site ask you to type?* (Many Web sites ask for the student's name, school, and E-mail address.)
- Tell students that they must ask permission of their teacher or parent before typing such information at a Web site.

(offline)

- **Distribute** the activity sheets.
- **Read** and **discuss** the activity sheets. Make sure students understand the various types of private information under **What's Private?"**
- Explain that going into cyberspace is like traveling in the face-to-face world. Just as they would not give their private information to a stranger on the street, they should not give it to Web sites or other strangers in cyberspace.
- When students read **Use the Rule,** explain that rules help keep students safe. **Ask:** *What other rules do we have in school to keep you safe?* (rules about running in the halls, fighting, pushing in lines, or taking turns)

(online)

- Have students recall the Web site you explored for this lesson and then answer the questions under **Tell How You Did.**

Closure: (offline)

- **Ask:** *What things about you are private when you go into cyberspace?* (name, address, school name, school address, E-mail address, phone number, passwords, parent's place of work, photos of oneself)
- **Ask:** *What is our rule about giving out private information in cyberspace?* (Always ask your teacher or parent before giving private information in cyberspace.)

Extension: (offline)

- Have students play a variation of Simon Says in which they must not do what Simon Says if Simon asks them to tell any private information.

Internet Sites used in this lesson:

[Story Book](http://www.kids-space.org/story/story.html) <http://www.kids-space.org/story/story.html>

[KidsCom Jr.](http://www.kidscomjr.com/home_flash.html) http://www.kidscomjr.com/home_flash.html

Name _____ Date _____

What's Private?

Fun in Cyberspace

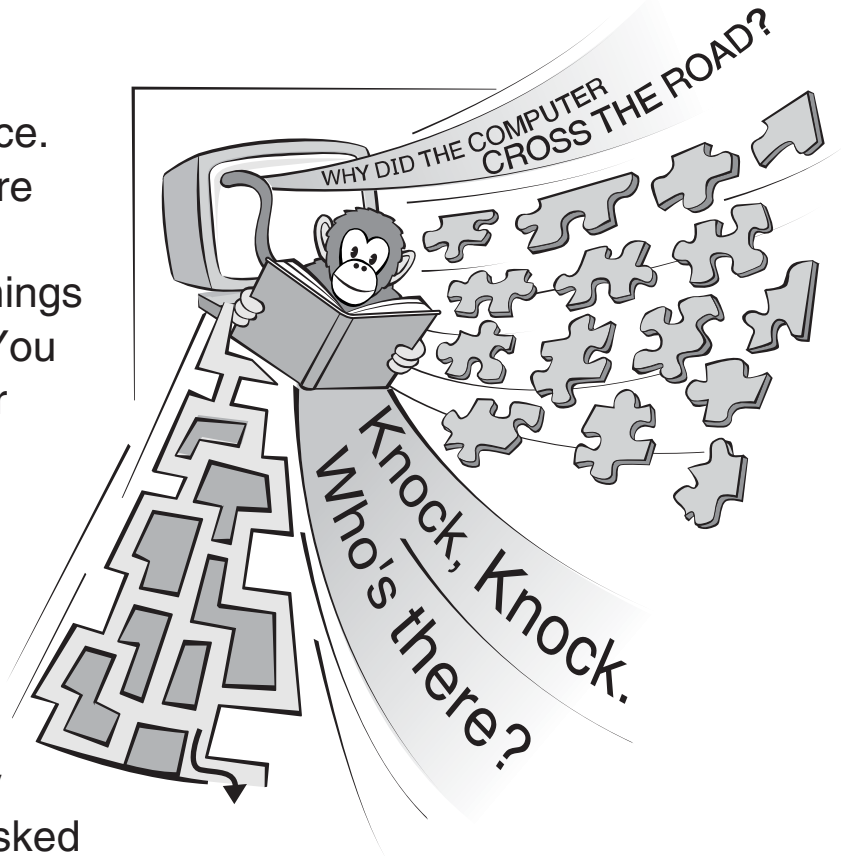
You can have fun in cyberspace. There are stories to read. There are games to play. There are jokes and puzzles. All these things are fun to share with friends. You should also show them to your parent or teacher.

That's Private!

Some places in cyberspace ask you to join the fun. You can tell a joke or share a drawing. You can write a story with other kids. You may be asked for private information such as your name or the name of your school. What should you do?

Use the Rule

Stop and use a CyberSmart! rule: Always ask your parent or teacher if it is okay to give out private information in cyberspace.



What's Private?

- your name
- your street address
- the name of your school
- your school's address
- your E-mail address
- your phone numbers
- your passwords
- your parent's place of work
- photos of you

Name _____ Date _____

Tell How You Did

You visited a Web site.

- Where did you go in cyberspace?

- What did you do there?

- How did you use the rule?

Be Cyber**Smart!**[®]

Show your parent or teacher sites that ask for private information. They will tell you what you can type.