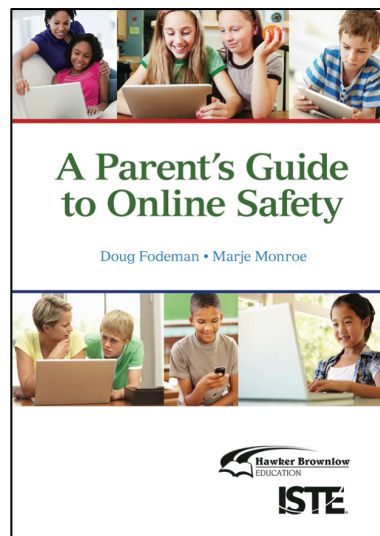


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Summary:

Try to keep up with today's technology can be overwhelming. You probably feel like you'll never understand the technology your child is using, especially when it seems to change every six months. The MySpace of yesterday becomes the Facebook of today. Children and teens love to explore new online gadgets, gimmicks, games and websites, and they often discover new and unexpected uses of these technologies. What's a parent to do?

Take a deep breath! Yes, the technology keeps changing, but the kids themselves stay pretty much the same. Much of what they do is not about the technology they are using. It's about seeking attention, forming and sustaining relationships, taking risks and having fun. Parents have been dealing with these behaviours for centuries. Chapter topics include

- How Old Is Old Enough?;
- Important Conversations;
- Online Bullying;
- Kids, Privacy and Technology;
- Online Gaming;
- Social Networks
- Mobile Phones and Smartphones; and
- Teaching Your Child to Be Savvy.

This revised Australian edition of A Parent's Guide to Online Safety will help you identify the digital citizenship topics all parents should be aware of while providing advice on setting limits for your child.

Supporting Resources:

- *Safe Practices For Life Online: A Guide for Middle and High School, Second Edition* (IST6166)
- *Piano and Laylee Go Online* (IST7793)
- *Digital Citizenship in Schools, Second Edition* (IST0671)
- *Web 2.0 How-To for Educators* (IST7900)