

We have a challenge for you!

Netiquette Challenge



Become an online professional!

- 1. Explore "Oops!" and "Wow!" moments**
- 2. Dig into stories of "ouch" and repair some hurt, if necessary**
- 3. Look at e-mail, commenting, or blogging**
- 4. Decide what makes a great social media profile**
- 5. Spread better practices**
- 6. Share @gsnnj**

The digital world makes it easy to stay in touch and share friendships, memories, and ideas. Learn how to make positive choices in the online world and help others do the same. Share with us at gsnnj.

Supplies:

- Pen or pencil**
- Paper**
- Smart phone or computer**

Review and sign the Girl Scout Internet Safety Pledge, answer the online habits survey, and discover where you stand with your personal netiquette.

Brainstorm some "Oops" and "Wow" Tips (explained on the next page) to improve your netiquette in the future. As you brainstorm, create your netiquette tip sheet.

Go through your last 15 texts or posts. Would you change anything if you could? Why would you change it? How would you change it? Learn and share what you found with others.



Netiquette Challenge Explained

An "Oops" moment is when someone posts a comment or picture online that ends up hurting them or someone else.

A "Wow" moment is a post or picture that affects either the poster or a reader in a positive way.

Find your best commenting voice:

Explore what makes a positive comment spark discussion and how negative comments affect people. Learn to spot these patterns in what you read and write.

Discuss some character profiles:

Make a social media account on paper for a character from a book or movie. Pick a character you know well and then decide what to include and what to leave out.

Make a pledge:

Gather your netiquette tips and turn it into a pledge. Share with friends and family.



Which of these habits bothers you when messaging? Rank each habit from 1 to 5, with 1 being “doesn’t bother me at all” and 5 being “I never want to see that happen again.”

1. Using all caps, which can be like SCREAMING.

1 2 3 4 5

2. Using the letter “k’ in response to a long message.

1 2 3 4 5

3. Seeing that your message was read, but not getting a response.

1 2 3 4 5

4. Misspelling people’s names or using poor spelling and bad punctuation.

1 2 3 4 5

5. Having the person you’re speaking with face-to-face answer messages while you’re talking.

1 2 3 4 5



Review and sign the Internet Safety Pledge at:

https://www.girlscouts.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsusa/forms-and-documents/our-program/Volunteer%20Safety/GSUSA_InternetSafetyPledge2015-2.pdf