

## Technology V13/S1 - Making the Internet Safe

It's fun to look at things on the internet. You can watch movies, listen to music, or learn new things. Because you are a kid, it is important to make sure the things you see online are okay for you. **Appropriate** means something is okay for you. If it is not okay for you, it is called **inappropriate**.

Have you ever seen symbols like these on your computer or tablet?



These symbols mean a website might be blocked. **Blocked** means that it is not allowed because it is inappropriate. If something on the internet is blocked, it is to keep you safe.

Some things that might be blocked are:

- Bad words: If a video or song uses bad words, it will come with a warning. Bad words are also called **profanity**.
- Fighting or hurting people: If a picture or video shows people being hurt, it will not be allowed for young people. If something shows fights or blood, it is called **violence**.
- Strangers: You need to be very careful talking to people online. You should never talk to a stranger online or give any information like your name or school.



Sometimes your parents, teacher, or another trusted adult will use something called **parental control** on your computer, tv, or tablet to block these things and help keep you safe.