

E-SAFETY

BCS LEVEL 1 AWARD IN E-SAFETY

Validating online safety in schools



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“ e-safety from BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, is a powerful tool to help deliver and validate the safe and responsible use of new technologies.”

David Miles, Director, Family Online Safety Institute

Empowering young people to make the right decisions

With new technology continuing to enrich our lives, online safety has become fundamental to a young person's wellbeing; and teaching our young people how to stay digitally safe now forms an essential part of the curriculum in schools.

Ofsted outlines the key features of effective e-safety education as; 'An age appropriate e-safety curriculum that is flexible, relevant and engages pupils' interest; that is used to promote e-safety through teaching pupils how to stay safe, how to protect themselves from harm, and how to take responsibility for their own and others' safety.'

The BCS Level 1 Award in e-safety, draws on the recommendations of the Byron Review, to support schools in delivering a flexible e-safety syllabus. Its relevant, real-life content engages with young people and empowers them to make their own informed decisions about using the internet safely. The qualification also provides schools with a means of validating their e-safety provision, to help satisfy Ofsted requirements.

Staying safe in and out of school

e-safety offers you a coordinated, planned approach to raising e-safety standards in your school, among both students and teachers. It delivers the understanding and the confidence your students need to protect themselves and their information online, enabling them to take active responsibility for their own online safety both in and out of school. This means that schools, and parents, can move away from a lockdown approach to internet use.

Mapped to the national curriculum for PSHCE (PSE in Wales), ICT and Every Child Matters, our e-safety qualification looks at the benefits as well as the risks of using the internet, and provides practical guidance on reporting and responding to problems.

Engaging with young people

BCS e-safety is delivered through interactive exercises and activities including presentations, discussion, paper-based tasks and e-learning. (Full lesson plans are provided.)

The qualification captures your students' interest by tackling their real-life concerns, such as cyber-bullying, exposure to inappropriate content, and safeguarding reputation on social networking sites. These topics help bridge the gap between school and home, encouraging students to evaluate their online habits at home and share their knowledge with family and friends.

Validated learning

Formal assessment at the end of the qualification validates your students' understanding and provides clear evidence to school inspectors that you are focused on the safe and appropriate use of technology in your school. It also means your students achieve a recognised level 1 qualification.

The assessment is automated and provides instant results; no internal verification or external marking is required. If you are already implementing a successful e-safety programme in your school, our e-safety qualification offers the opportunity to validate this essential learning, so you can demonstrate to inspectors that there has been understanding of the syllabus.

BCS e-safety

Give your students the confidence to make their own informed decisions about keeping safe online. BCS e-safety offers you a flexible approach to delivering the e-safety syllabus and a means of validating learning to help satisfy Ofsted requirements.

Level	1
Credits	3
TQT	37
QAN	600/0830/1
Audience	Key stage 3 and 4
Assessment	30 minutes 19 multiple choice questions 9 performance questions 75% pass rate

The UK Safer Internet Centre surveyed 2000 people aged 8-17 about their online behaviour over the last 12 months:

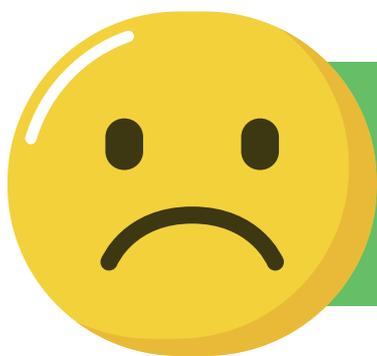


88%

have sent a kind message online to a friend who was feeling sad or upset

83%

have experienced people being kind to them online



49%

have had someone being mean to them

42%

have felt worried or anxious about something online **in the last week**



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