

Top Tips on... ...Gaming

- Always stay curious & interested
- Play as well – if you're a keen gamer – or at least show an interest
- Keep up to date with the latest popular games using reliable gaming info sites

Family gaming Info:

<https://www.askaboutgames.com>

<https://www.taminggaming.com/>

- Use parental controls to ensure your child can only access age appropriate games
- Set time limits

Guide to setting parental controls on gaming devices:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/gaming-consoles/>

Game ratings and info:

<https://pegi.info>

- Keep devices out of bedrooms and use Wi-Fi restrictions at night
- Have game/device/screen-free days when you play other games together
- Set up a system for your child to earn time to play a game
- Keep gaming in a communal area to monitor interactions, content and behaviour



Reporting harmful content:

<https://reportharmfulcontent.com/>

- Check who your child is playing with:
 - Use a 'friends only' approach (not friends of friends unless you know them face to face)
 - Use a verbal code online with a player to confirm it really is their friend

Online bullying:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/>

- Set up a system for your child to save pocket money to buy games and for in-game purchases

In-game purchasing and loot boxes:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/curations/gaming>

These apps are all
free to download

