



Week 1: October 1st through October 5th

Make Your Home a Haven for Online Safety

Every day, parents and caregivers teach kids basic safety practices – like looking both ways before crossing the street and holding an adult’s hand in a crowded place. Easy-to-learn life lessons for online safety and privacy begin with parents leading the way. Learning good cybersecurity practices can also help set a strong foundation for a career in the industry. With family members using the internet to engage in social media, adjust the home thermostat or shop for the latest connected toy, it is vital to make certain that the entire household – including children – learn to use the internet safely and responsibly and that networks and mobile devices are secure.¹

Below are some links to helpful tips and information that can help keep you safe online:

[General Tips and Advice:](#)

- Keep a clean machine
- Protect your personal information
- Connect with care
- Be Web Wise
- Be a good Online Citizen
- Own your online presence

[Digital Spring Cleaning Checklist](#)

References:

- <https://www.dhs.gov/about-stopthinkconnect>
- <https://staysafeonline.org/stop-think-connect>

¹ National Cybersecurity Awareness Month Themes – Stay Safe Online. <https://staysafeonline.org/ncsam/themes>