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# **Minecraft Legends**

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Minecraft Legends was released last month and available across a of platforms. It is rated by PEGI with a further content descriptor of 'violence.' However, rating games, PEGI do

not take into consideration the communication features of a game. Minecraft Legends does include a chat facility, which adds further risks of seeing inappropriate language/content. This can be switched off.

#### What should I be aware of?

- **Multiplayer** children can interact with others (including strangers), you can switch this option off within settings or choose to play offline.
- Additional purchases be aware of in app purchases and the purchase of additional items to support (although not needed) game play. You can set up appropriate parental settings to restrict/prevent purchases.
- **Block and report players** if your child is playing with others, make sure they know how to block and report players within the game.

You can find out more in this article: https://www.esrb.org/blog/what-parents-need-to-know-about-minecraft-legends/

# Omegle

You must be 184 to use or 134 withheir own discretion. No liability is entered in parental permission. Omegle ്രൂർ as of the date release social networking/chat website that

connects two strangers together for either a text or a video chat. Chats are anonymous unless a user provides this information. Omegle states that "Omegle video chat is moderated. However, moderation is not perfect. You may still encounter people who misbehave."



#### What should I be aware of?

- No registration is required to access Omegle (therefore no age verification) and there are no reporting facilities.
- Users are given an option to save the chat's log and share the link. It is also possible for other users to take screenshots of text and video chats

We recommend that Omegle is not used by children due to the potential imagery shared and language used which can be explicit.

## **Tackling Online Hate**

One way in which we can tackle online hate is ensuring our children learn about what it is and how they can stop it. Internet Matters have created a quiz that you can complete with your child. As you progress through the questions, you will be given advice as well as questions to discuss and help you have a conversation with your child. The quiz is available here:

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/theonlinetogetherproject/tackling-online-hate-quiz/

# What is Online Grooming?

This is a really informative article from Thorn:

https://www.thorn.org/bl
og/online-grooming-whatit-is-how-it-happens-andhow-to-defend-children/

### Report

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#### Remove

tool provided by Childline Watch Foundation (IWF) to age of 18 to confidentially images or videos of been shared online. Once a made, the IWF will work to

remove them from the internet. Find out more here: https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/remove-nude-image-shared-online/

From the Financial Times – 'Capture: who's looking after the children?'

This is a 15-minute drama produced by the Financial Times looking at online harm, regulation and responsibility. The drama features Jodie Whittaker and Paul Ready. You can watch it here:

https://www.ft.com/video/ea39f3a9-8993-477d-a763-317ba51c2e75