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## A family computer contract:

- 1. We believe computer security is the business of everyone in this home.
- We do not fight, swear or gossip in e-mails or IMs. We never respond to inflammatory, obscene or insulting emails or to messages that are mean or in any way make us feel uncomfortable.
- We never download pictures, freeware, shareware or text from unknown sources or web sites we don't trust. We understand that plagiarism is cheating and pirating music, movies and games is stealing.
- 4. We never open e-mail attachments from an unknown person or company. We don't follow links to websites through e-mail or click on pop-ups.
- 5. We respect our friend's e-mail privacy by deleting forwarded e-mail addresses before sending these messages onward. We use the "Bcc" feature when sending messages from our address book to others to protect our e-mail list and contacts.

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**Family Contract** 

## Family computer contract, continued

- 6. We never respond to Spam or junk mail. We keep our primary e-mail address only for use by our friends and family.
- 7. We don't give out personal identifying information such as our name, address, date of birth, school name, phone number on a website or to people we meet online.
- 8. We do not post personal pictures on the Internet of ourselves or other people. We respect privacy and don't send personal or credit card information through e-mail.
- 9. We only shop at web sites that are respectful of our security and privacy.
- 10. We always use passwords and we change them often. We do not give out our internet passwords to anyone even best friends other than our parents.
- 11. We understand that people may not be who they say they are in chat rooms and in social networking sites.
- 12. We never arrange face-to-face meetings with someone we met on the Internet or in a chat room without notifying a parent or guardian.
- 13. We speak up and tell someone if we see something on the internet that is wrong, inappropriate or criminal in nature. We will be good online citizens and not do anything that hurts other people or is against the law.



