

# Snapchat



## What is Snapchat?

Snapchat is a messaging app where users (13+) can send and receive messages, videos and pictures

## Disappearing messages

Snapchat's servers are designed to automatically delete all Snaps after they've been viewed. These disappearing messages create the perfect conditions for cyberbullying, online predators, and secretive behaviour that's hard to track. Just because the messages 'disappear' from the chat, screenshots still allow them to be saved.

## Location Sharing

Sharing your location Potential Dangers:

- Safety Concerns
- Stalking and Harassment
- Unwanted Attention
- Privacy Violations
- Account Compromise
- Obsessive Behaviour

"Ghost Mode" allows you to hide your location on the Snap Map, making it invisible to other users, and can be turned on and off or set with a timer.

## Potential risks

- sharing of harmful content
- contact with strangers
- grooming
- cyber bullying
- image sharing

## Further information



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## Reporting and Blocking

On Snapchat, you can report concerning content or accounts by pressing and holding on the content or the Snapchatter's name and selecting "Report". Blocking a user prevents them from viewing your Story, sending you Snaps, or chatting with you.

## Family Centre

Family Centre helps parents get more insight into who their teens are friends with on Snapchat, and who they have been communicating with, while still respecting their teens' privacy and autonomy.

Parents can -

- View their child's friends list
- See which profiles have been newly added
- See who their teens have recently interacted with
- Limit their child's exposure to sensitive content
- Report any concerning profiles to Snapchat