How can you protect yourself from online identity theft?

What types of information do you think are okay to share publicly online, on a profile that others will see, for instance?

What are some examples of websites where you must register in order to participate?

If you were to sign up to a website, what information would they require from you?

www.neopets.com

Birth day, gender, where you live, country, parents permission

SAFE – Personal information

- Your favourite food
- Your favourite colour
- Your first name

- Can you think of anymore?

UNSAFE – Private Information

- Parents credit card information
- Home address
- Your date of birth

- Can you think of anymore?

Why would someone want to steal someone else's identity on the Internet?

Sample responses:

• To steal money

• To do something bad or mean

• To hide their real identity

Directions

Decide if each piece of information below is an example of personal information or private information. Then check the box to show your answer.

Information	Personal	Private
Full name (first and last)		
Age		
Street address		
Email address		
Date of birth		
Gender		
How many brothers and sisters you have		
Favorite band		
Phone numbers		
Credit card information		
Favorite food		
The name of your pet		
Mother's maiden name		
Name of your school		

Task for today:

- This is just a template
- You can design your own public profile

Private and Personal Information

Directions

Pretend you have a public profile in an online community. There are people you know, and people you don't know, who can view your profile.

Write down personal information that you would want to share about yourself. Make sure that everything on your list is safe to share and that it is not private information that could reveal your identity.

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