[PDF] The Parent's Guide To Protecting Your Children In Cyberspace

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Description:

A no-nonsense guide for keeping kids protected and informed on the Internet is an essential book for any family with a home computer. *The Parent's Guide to Protecting Your Children in Cyberspace* comes highly recommended, with kudos from countless corporations, governmental agencies, and nonprofit organizations. Equally useful for long-time users and newcomers to the Internet, parents will find a wealth of useful tips presented in a friendly and entertaining manner.

Beginning with basic questions and answers about why laws are sometimes different online than they are in other commercial arenas, author Parry Aftab goes on to explain some of the fundamentals of search engines, ISPs, and e-mail accounts--experienced users can safely skip this area with no harm done. Aftab makes it clear that it is up to parents and caregivers to appropriately educate kids in online safety--while the benefits of including the Internet in your child's education are tremendous, there are some dangers (ranging from pretty minor to severe) that all family members need to be made aware of and taught how to avoid. Aftab includes a terrific list of widely approved kid-friendly sites, a solid glossary of common terms and abbreviations used in e-mail, and simple bullet-point lists outlining ways to provide protection such as passwords, backing up important files, placing your computer in a central location, and not allowing unsupervised online access until you're fully convinced they're ready for it. More than any other suggestion, teaching your kids accountability and safety is emphasized. Older children and teenagers may benefit from reading some of the personal anecdotes and interviews--such clear-cut stories are sure to make a lasting impression. *--Jill Lightner*

From the Back Cover "An invaluable resource for the Internet industry and parents alike in our efforts to create educational and entertaining havens online."--Bob Davis, President and CEO, Lycos, Inc. "The definitive work for parents and others who care about balancing the benefits of the Internet with the need to keep our children safe while surfing."--B. Keith Fulton, Director, Technology Programs & Policy, National Urban League. "This is a must read for all parents with kids on the Internet--and that soon will be all of us."--George Vrandernberg, Senior Vice President, Global and Strategic Policy, America Online. "I can't say enough good things about [Parry Aftab]...I recommend her book to our agents."--Jorge Martinez, Supervisory Agent, FBI's Innocent Images, Anti-Child Pornography and Exploitation Task Force. "With exceptional wit and style, Parry Aftab empowers parents with essential eye-opening information on the cyber-environment where their children play, learn, interact, and grow."--Della Curtis, Coordinator, Office Library Information Services. "I welcome this new guide by Parry Aftab."--Federico Mayor, Director General, UNESCO. From the world's #1 child cybersafety expert, a total program for keeping kids safe on the Internet. Cyberspace is a place of infinite wonders and unparalleled learning opportunities. Of course you want your kids to benefit from all the best it has to offer, but you also want to guarantee their safety while they're there. Written by an attorney who has been consulted by governments around the world on child-related cybercrimes, this book shows you how to do so. Author Parry Aftab alerts you to the dangers that await children on the Internet and outlines a complete program for allowing kids to benefit from its riches while avoiding its perils. And you don't worry, you don't need to be cybersavvy to use this book. In plain English, Aftab tells you how to: recognize and avoid the Internet's hidden dangers; supervise your kids' out-of-home access; spot dangerous spam, scams, and inappropriate chat rooms; use filters, bookmarks, and other technologies to screen content; set up rules for Internet behavior that both you and your kids can live with; deal with serious problems if they occur, especially if your child is the culprit.

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