



## Netiquette



## Badge Overview

Our digital world makes it easy to stay in touch and share friendships, memories, and ideas. But we've all heard embarrassing stories in which people wish they'd never hit the "send" button. Once you've put it out there, it never goes away. But you can use that to your benefit, too. This badge is all about knowing how to make positive choices in the online world. When I've earned this badge, I'll know how to make — and keep — my online world a positive place.

## Badge Components Part 1

### 1. Explore "oops!" and "wow!" moments

Let's take a moment and think about what "oops" and "wow" moments are online.

- What are some "oops" that can happen, when something is shared online that shouldn't have been?
- What are some "wow" moments, when the power of the Internet was used for good?

### 2. Dig into stories of "ouch" -- and repair some hurt if necessary

Online bullying is something that happens very frequently.

- Why do you think that online bullying is so prevalent?
- What are some characteristics of online communication that make it easy to bully people?

After thinking about online bullying, watch [this video](#) that talks about how you can overcome online bullying.

- [This worksheet](#) accompanies the video and summarizes all the steps!

### 3. Look at email, commenting, or blogging

Email is a great tool to use to communicate! You can use it to send a message to almost anyone: your teachers, Girl Scout sisters, and even your friends. With the variety of people that you can email, it is important to remember that there is different etiquette that you should use when you're messaging someone.

- Use [this link](#) to read about email etiquette and then, using those tools, create a professional practice email to send to someone asking them to buy Girl Scout cookies.
- Bonus: Send your email to Girl Experience Manager Jessica at [jmonnette@gssef.org](mailto:jmonnette@gssef.org) for some feedback!

### 4. Decide what makes a great social media profile

Follow along with this [worksheet](#) to create a practice Instagram profile following the best safety practices!

### 5. Spread better practices

Take some of the knowledge that you've learned while going through all of these steps and share them with your family or friends!

- Bonus: Share these tips with your Girl Scout troop at your next meeting (in-person or virtual).

## Materials

- Before you begin this activity, make sure you have signed an [Internet Safety Pledge](#) and you have permission from an adult to use the Internet.
- Something to write with
- Something to write on
- Access to internet

## Florida Educational Standards

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