



SMARTthinking

S

= **Secret**

This is about personal information and whether it is safe to give it out. For example, it might apply to an on-line registration form or someone requesting contact details so they can send you a prize.

STOP and **THINK**

WHO wants the information?

WHY are they asking for it?

WHAT will they do with it?

M

= **Meeting**

This is about someone you have never met before contacting you on line or through a messaging service to invite you to a meeting.

STOP and **THINK**

WHY should you **never** arrange to meet anyone you have only met on line?

WHAT might happen?

WHO should you tell?

A

= **Attachments**

This is about e-mail and attachments and what you need to think about before opening them.

STOP and **THINK**

WHO sent it?

WILL it be safe to open it?

WHAT can I do to protect myself and the computer?

R

= **Reliable**

Anyone can put anything on the Internet and anyone can use the communication technologies (such as chat, SMS, e-mail, IM) to contact others.

STOP and **THINK**

WHETHER I can rely on information on web sites to be true

WHETHER I can rely on someone I can't see telling me the truth

WHAT can I do to check?

T

= **Tell**

No matter how careful we are, sometimes we might come across things that upset us.

STOP and **THINK**

WHAT can I do when web sites and messages make me feel uncomfortable?

WHO can I tell?

WHAT can I do to stop it happening again?