Safer Internet Day

9th February 2021
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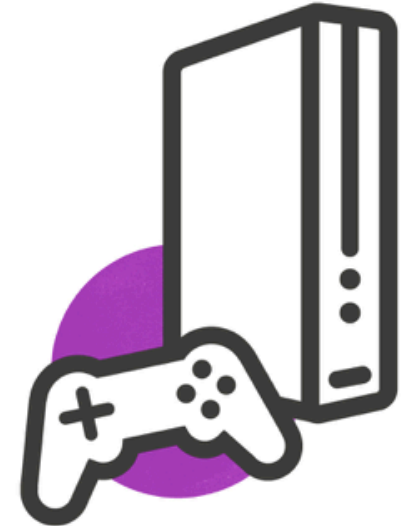
This year's theme is:

An internet we trust
Exploring reliability in the online world

What is Safer Internet Day?

Safer internet is a day celebrated across the globe in over 170 countries, with thousands of children joining in across the UK. It's a day when we celebrate all the great things about being online and remind ourselves how we can stay safe.

What devices do you use to find information online?

There are lots of different ways that you can use the internet. This is also called going online. They both mean the same thing.

Can you give me a thumbs up if you, or someone in your house, has ever…
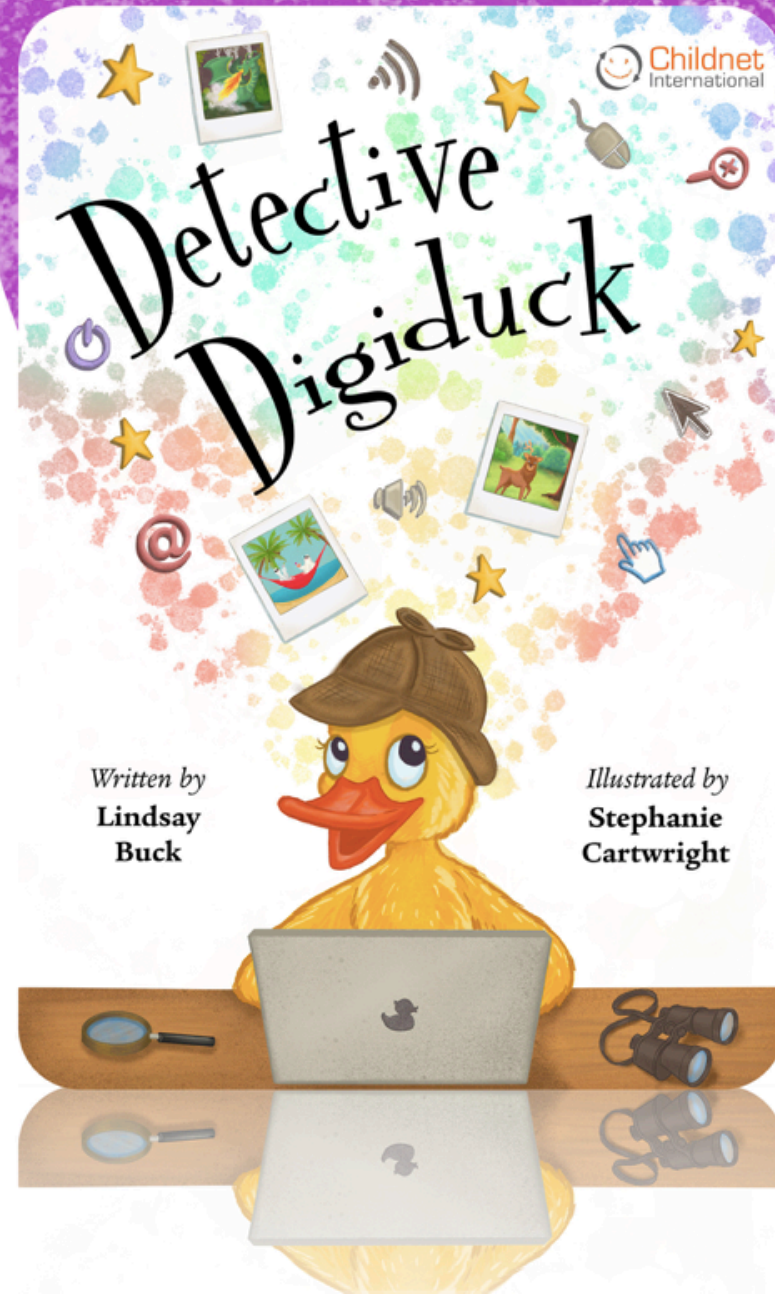
- played on an iPad/tablet;
- used a computer or a laptop:
- watched a TV show or video on Netflix, Amazon prime, BBC iPlayer etc.;
- asked a smart speaker to do something (e.g. Alexa, Google Home);
- played with other people in an online game;
- used a mobile phone to chat, video call, play a game, watch a video, or find something out, or
- used a smart watch to count how many steps you've done or something similar.

What do you like to do online?

Is everything you see or read online true?

This year **for Safer Internet Day** we are looking at information online, and whether we can trust everything that we read or see on the internet.
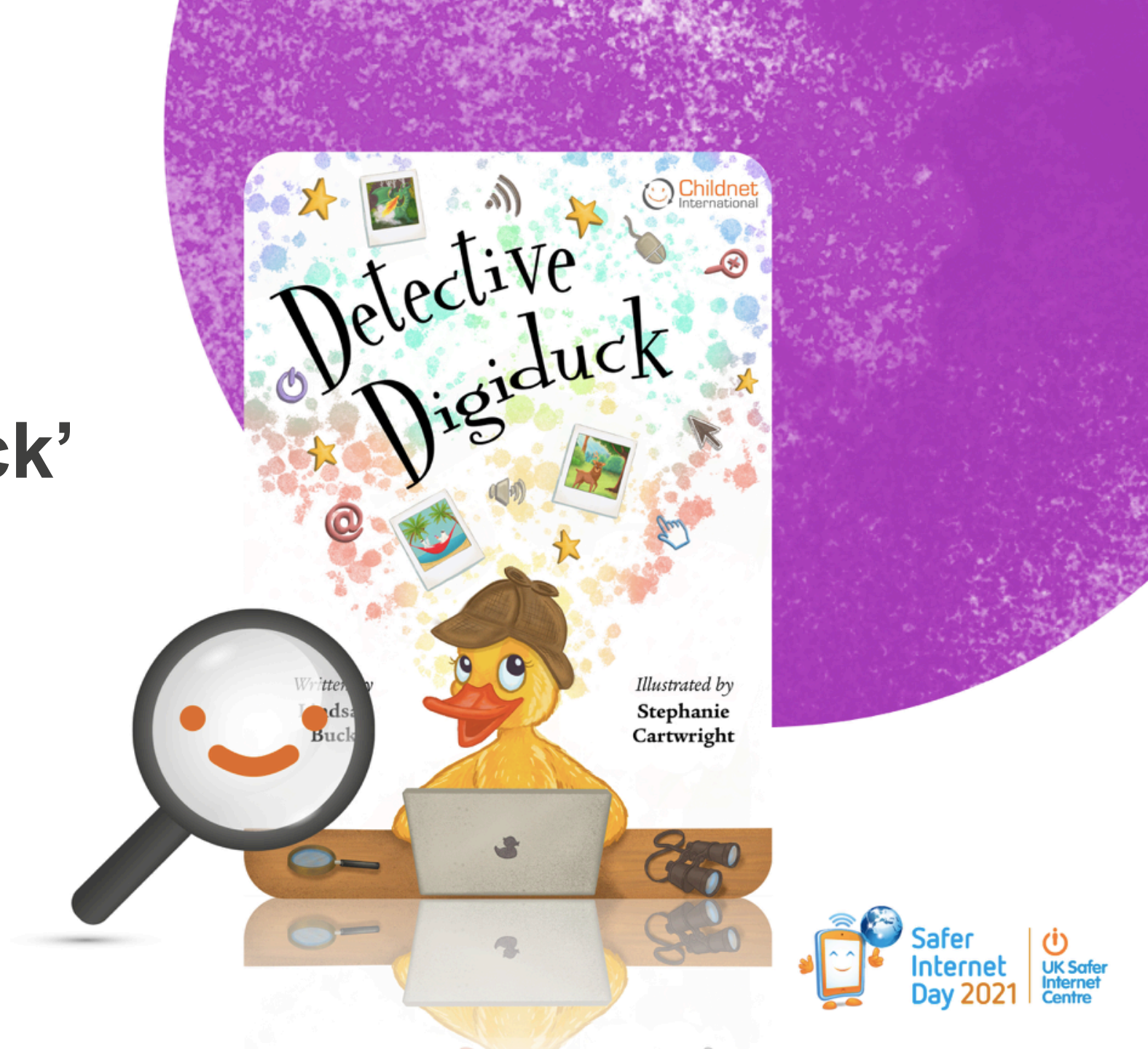
- Do you think that everything you see online is true?

- Or do you think that there might be some things online that aren't true?

Although there is lots of great information online that is useful and trustworthy**, it's important to remember that there is also information online that is not so trustworthy and may even been there to try and confuse us.**

Listen to a story on the next page about a duck called Digiduck who loves to go online. It's called 'Detective Digiduck' and it's all about using the internet to find things out.

Now let's read 'Detective Digiduck'

childnet.com/detective-digiduck

Additional questions…

1 Do you talk to family or friends online? How?

2 What websites or online games let people talk to each other who don't know each other in person?

3 What facts about yourself should you not tell to strangers online and offline? What can we call all these facts?

4 Which adults would you ask for help if something worried you online?

Follow- up Activities:

Can you sort the words into **two main groups** - synonyms of 'true' and synonyms of 'false.'

True	**Correct**	**False**
Wrong	**Untrustworthy**	**Real**
Fiction	**Untrue**	**Pretend**
Imaginary	**Make-believe**	**Fake**
Incorrect	**Unreal**	**Right**
Genuine	**Trustworthy**	**Fact**

True or False?

Choose an object to talk about.

Think of one thing that is true, one that is false and one that is an opinion, and others guess at which is which.

 E.g. "This teddy bear has two ears (true). This teddy bear is the best to cuddle (opinion). This teddy bear has a long stripy tail (false)."

Children listen and show whether they think each statement is true by giving a thumbs up, thumbs down, or tap their chest for an opinion.

Draw/Make a Detective Digiduck!

Fact Detectives!

Choose an animal and use an online search to find out one fact about it.

Then, write something that is not true about that animal.

Can someone in your family sort them into piles of true and false information?

Example:

Geese have wings and feathers.

Geese eat sweets and ice cream.