What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

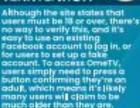
STRANGER DANGER

EXPLICIT CONTENT

OmeTV is another app which encourages users to 'make friends from all around the world'. People can search profiles by age and gender and send direct messages or photos. However, the app is primarily used for video calls. When using this feature, users are connected at random. although only their country of origin is shared. People can then either chaose to move on to the next chat or can stay in that call for as long as they wish.

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VERIFICATION



VIDEO RECORDING

LIMITED PARENTAL



FOLLOW AGE GUIDELINES

OmeTV has an age recommendation of 18 and over, which suggests the developers are aware that it may facilitate adult content. It's important to adhere to the age guidelines and try to restrict access to the app for younger users. If you find it on an under-18's device, talk to them about the potential risks and explain why they probably shouldn't be using it.

DISCOURAGE CHATS WITH STRANGERS

Remind your child of the dangers of talking to strangers online. The anonymity OmeTV affers, plus its webchat function, makes it an attractive place for groomers to network and create inappropriate content. Explain that your child may see something which upsets them — and that it's a crime for anyone to expose themselves to a young person online.

Maintain communication with your child about online safety and empower them to protect themselves. Simply deleting an app from their device impacts their independence and can cause resentment. Instead, highlight news reports of predators exposing themselves to children on the internet, and discuss what they should do if asked for explicit images. **ENABLE PARENTAL CONTROLS**

DISCUSS THE DANGERS

Regardless of how responsible your child may be, it's easy for essential to use parental controls on their device. It's easy for young people to get lured in by others, feeling they we built up a trusting friendship and being coaxed into doing things they wouldn't normally do. Ensure in app purchases aren't enabled on their device, and emphosise that they can always talk to you about anything online that worries them.

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