



# WhatsApp

## What are the risks for children?

### Dangers of WhatsApp for children



Following on from yesterday's "Features of WhatsApp" message, we will now look at some of the dangers which this online media may pose to our young children. Having looked at Unwanted Contact, we now move on to:



## Live Location

**The live location feature means that your child could reveal their current location to others.** (Think about that for a moment... are you happy with strangers knowing where your child is?)

This feature can be used in groups as well as individual chats so your child could reveal this information to people that they don't know if they are in the same group.

You could talk to your child to decide if it's appropriate for them to share their location in WhatsApp, who with, and for how long.

If they do decide to share their location, they can pick a set amount of time to share it for.

In most circumstances it is much safer for the children to have Live Location services turned off.

Got to:

**WhatsApp > You > Privacy > Live location**

...or in a chat go to **+** (next to chat box) > **Location** 