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# Games, Apps and Devices: What Kids Are Using What and Why You Should Know

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# Where Do We Get These Apps and Games?

- New devices.
  - “Alexa, show me a Gorilla.”
- OS upgrades.
- App store suggestions.
- In-game / in-app advertisements.
- Apps needed to connect friends.
- TV shows and Collectibles (Trading cards, Figurines).
- Parents. Especially retro stuff they used to like.



# Are We Being Tricked?

- Of course!
  - But who isn't these days?
- Maybe?
  - Can you tell while you're being tricked?
- Do we care?
  - Do you?
  - Money, happiness, fun-- all worth it.



# The Apps and Games We're Using Now

Instagram. WhatsApp. Snapchat. YouTube. Discord.  
Whisper. Kik.

Tik Tok (why Tik Tok?!). Messenger. Tumblr. Life 360.

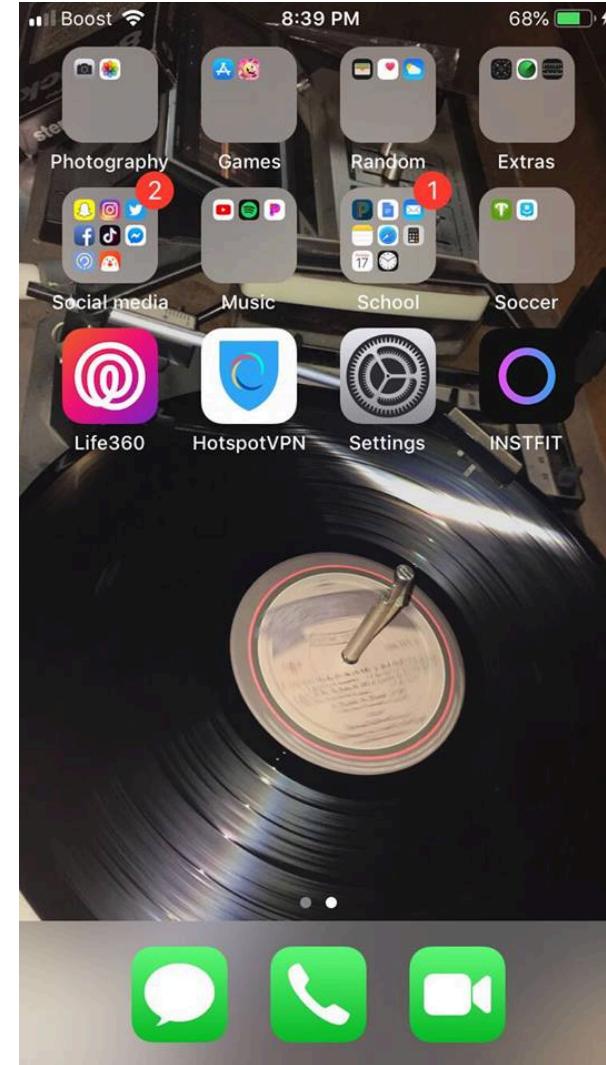
Twitter. Facebook (for our parents). Telegram.

Fortnite. Clash Royale and similar. Egg Inc.

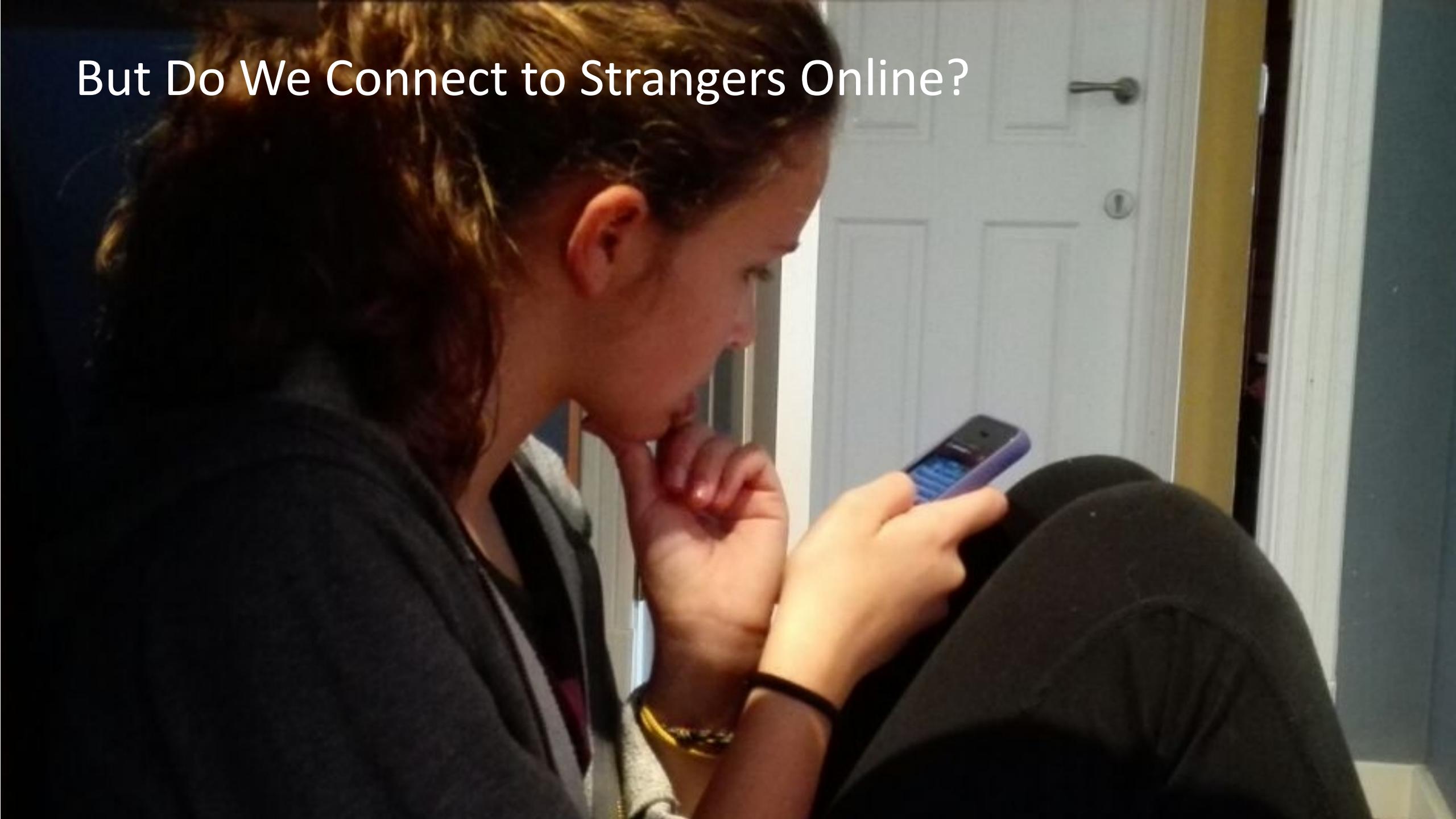
Pokemon stuff. Mario stuff. Jurassic Park. League of Legends.

Minecraft. Mobile Legends. FIFA.

...But it changes often.



# But Do We Connect to Strangers Online?

A photograph of a young man with dark hair, wearing a grey hoodie, sitting on a dark couch. He is looking down at a blue smartphone held in his hands. His right hand rests against his chin in a thoughtful pose. He is wearing a black headband and a gold watch on his left wrist. The background shows a white door with a silver handle and a yellow wall.

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# Now Your Questions!

You know you want to ask us if we realize our data and personal info is being abused and we are losing our privacy. Now's your chance.

