

GROOMING

Your child knows about the danger of strangers and that they are never to talk to, go anywhere with, or meet with a stranger. But, there is a much greater chance of your child being harmed by someone they know. It is very important that your child know that there are behaviors predators use to groom a child and gain their family's trust.

Explain to your child that it is very important that they learn to recognize the warning signs of grooming. They should tell a trusted adult in their Safety NETwork about any attention that makes them feel confused, or uncomfortable, or just doesn't seem right.

Grooming: An adult giving a child attention that isn't normal, healthy, or appropriate in order to gain the child's trust.



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