

Top Apps

Snap Chat:

Snapchat lets you easily talk with friends, view Live Stories from around the world, and explore news in Discover. It can be private and friends need to send request when adding. Videos can not be saved but screen recorded and a notification will pop up.

Yes, there is an easy way to hide your Snap chat stories from individual people. First, go into the Settings panel. Then scroll down and look for “Who Can...” and click on “View My Story”. The final step is to select individual people you would like to hide you story from.

Snap Chat SECRET stories- If you can still view your child’s story that’s great! However they can create a secret story to invite all their friends too. They can label these stories for example: “Secret Fun Party”. You will be able to see original story but not their secret story.

Instagram:

Instagram is a photo and video-sharing social networking service. Can be made private with friend requests.

Finsta-Gram

Finsta for short is a mixture of Fake & Instagram. Children especially teens usually get a second fake instagram account to post private photos, videos, and illegal activities. They make these accounts so their parents cannot see them.

Twitter

Twitter is an American online social networking service on which users post and interact with messages known as "tweets". Tweets are restricted to 280 characters. Twitter accounts can be hidden and private, only friends can view private tweets. One of the safer apps with no live streaming. Videos and photos can be posted. No secrets on twitter except private messaging between two people.

Likee

Likee (formerly LIKE) is a popular global original video creation and sharing platform. Likee Exploits children. Do not let your kids get this app. strangers can save, share and download their videos and comment asking them to do "challenges"

BIGO LIVE App

Live Stream, Live Video & Live Chat

BIGO LIVE is a top live video streaming social network. It allows you to live stream your special moments, live talk with your friends, make video calls and watch trendy videos.

Tik Tok

TikTok is an iOS and Android social media video app for creating and sharing short lip-sync, comedy, and talent videos.

It's possible for kids to safely use the app with adult supervision (and a private account). When kids sign up the account is public and NEEDS to be set to private or anyone can view your account, meaning anyone can see your videos, send you direct messages, and use your location information.

Musical.ly

This social media app allows users also known as musers to create videos that can be shared and commented on through their network of followers. This app allows users to create 15-second videos, with a music sound clip to go along with it and share it to their page.

The videos created by "Musers" are thought to be an expression of them and can be of whatever they would like. Most tend to dance or lip sync to popular songs. However, the songs that are within the app are not always appropriate. There are songs that talk about sex, smoking, drinking, and partying. Some songs swear or allude to illegal substances as well. App is for children 13+

Kik Messenger

Kik Messenger, commonly called Kik, is a freeware instant messaging mobile app from the Canadian company Kik Interactive, available free of charge on iOS and Android operating systems.

One of the reasons Kik is so popular is that it offers a great deal of anonymity. ... Kik is criticized for leaving its minor users exposed. Teens can come across online predators who target them either for immediate exploitation, such as attempts at sexting, exposing them to graphic imagery, etc.

If your child is under 16 and has created a Kik account, the messaging app encourages parents to submit a deactivation request by contacting support@kik.com.

Match & Chat and Flirt!

An app connected to Kik- Match & Chat works in a similar way to Tinder, matching users by ages, gender etc. What is worrying about Match & Chat is the ease with which a user can chat to others users of any age they want. For example users can select to chat to teens users, users in their 20's, 30's etc.

The Flirt!

App also available through the Kik browser presents users with a list of new users within their age range to chat to. Again, users can easily pretend to be someone else, give a different age on their Kik account etc. We would not recommend either of these apps for teens. If your child is on Kik, caution needs to be taken especially regarding the above apps.

WhatsApp

WhatsApp Messenger is a freeware, cross-platform messaging and Voice over IP service owned by Facebook. WhatsApp now gives its users control over who can view their statuses but if your contact list is huge then it becomes a task to pick and choose a person you want to share or not share your status.

Facebook

Facebook, Inc. is an American online social media and social networking service. Facebook can be private and needs friend requests.

Facebook Messenger

You do not need a Facebook to have Facebook Messenger. Facebook Messenger is a messaging app and platform. You can video chat and text with this app. It allows people to connect with their contacts on facebook if they deleted their facebook. It does allow hidden messages.

Ask.fm

Ask.fm is an online social networking platform that allows users to anonymously ask other users questions.

Qooh.me

Qooh.me is a social site that allows people who find you interesting to ask you anonymous questions so they can know you better. Your replies will appear on your main profile only if you answer the question you get asked.

Tumblr

Tumblr is a place to express yourself, discover yourself, and bond over the stuff you love. It's where your interests connect you with your people.

Reddit

Reddit is an American social news aggregation, web content rating, and discussion website. Registered members submit content to the site such as links, text posts, and images, which are then voted up or down by other members

4Chan

4chan is an English-language imageboard website. Users generally post anonymously, with the most recent posts appearing above the rest. 4chan is split into various boards with their own specific content and guidelines.

Houseparty

House party is a social networking service that enables group video chatting through mobile and desktop apps. Users receive a notification when friends are online and available to group video chat. The app is intended for teens who are ready for social media but are not old enough. Friends start chats or “parties” with each other via live video in large groups.

Whisper

Whisper is a proprietary iOS and Android mobile app available without charge. It is a form of anonymous social media, allowing users to post and share photo and video messages anonymously. Whisper is an app that lets users anonymously share their secrets with millions of others in acts of contrition, catharsis and some degree of nameless performance. ... “With Whisper, you're free to anonymously share your thoughts with the world,” it says on its App Store listing. You can see who “hearts” your whisper, and start online chats. Nothing about whisper is private.

Pro-Ana websites

“Pro-ana” websites or forums are websites devoted to promoting anorexia and sometimes bulimia. These websites typically have “tips” for how to starve yourself and prevent hunger. The forums also allow individuals to post anonymous comments and compare the progression of their weight loss. These websites can hinder recovery from an eating disorder or trigger disordered eating.

9 secret apps Children/Teens use to hide their apps:

- Private Photo Vault. Image: **App** store/screenshot. ...
- Best Secret Folder. Image: screenshot/**app** store. ...
- Vaulty. Image: screenshot/google play. ...
- Gallery Vault. Image: screenshot/google play. ...
- Gallery Lock. Image: screenshot/google play. ...
- KeepSafe. Image: SCREENSHOT/**APP** STORE. ...
- Vault for iOS. ...
- Vault for Android.