**Personal**

**Information**

# LESSON OVERVIEW

In this activity children will understand what is meant by ‘personal information’ and what this means in the digital world.

RESOURCES

* Personal Information Activity
* Sheet SMART rules poster

LESSON SEQUENCE

**Starter Activity**

What do you think personal information is?

Write down your ideas.

Dependant on these ideas, children need to understand that personal information is information about them or another person. This can include;

•Name •Leisure activities

•Age •Job/school

•Birthday •Appearance

•Address •Favourite food •Other details too.

**Activity 1**

1. Using the personal information template, fill in all the information about you.
2. Discuss the types of information filled in.
3. Would you mind that the information was known by the public, if it was shared online so that anyone in the world could see it?
4. Which pieces of information do you feel should be kept safe? Why?

**Extension Activity**

See if you can fill in the same profile sheet but for a famous person - like a footballer, actor or singer.

Using ‘safe researching’ skills online, see what information you can find. What might happen if everybody knew where this famous person lived or what their telephone number was?

Remember, keeping our own and other people’s information private is very important in the digital world.

Never share any of your information online on social media or when playing games online. If you are unsure, **ALWAYS** ask an adult family member. A copy of the **SMART rules** is in your downloadable files.

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