



TikTok - time is running out to set your Privacy Settings

Do the children and young people in your care have the correct privacy setting on the app TikTok?

TikTok (formally [Musical.ly](https://www.musical.ly)) can be a really fun app where children can express themselves through uploading videos of themselves, singing, dancing, and lip-syncing.

Don't wait - be confident that your children are safe online. Take 30 seconds and [watch the video](#).

If you are unable to load the video, further details can be found here: <https://smartsocial.com/tik-tok-app-guide-parents/>

During an eight-day investigation into the app, Channel 4 News viewed 45 hours of live streams which revealed nearly half of the streams viewed contained inappropriate content, directed to girls as young as nine! Check out our Top Tips to keep children in your care safe:

Top Tips to keep your children safe in TikTok

✓ Check out the app for yourself before letting the children in your care use it, **particularly if they are under 13 years old**.

✓ Beware that other users may be live streaming content that contains inappropriate lyrics.

✓ Have a discussion with them about what behaviour is acceptable to live-stream.

✓ Ensure they don't buy any in-app purchases without consent!

If you have any concerns or questions about online safety that you think I may be able to assist with, please contact me via the e-safety@wellsteadapps.co.uk email address.

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