

# Apps to look for on your child's phone

## Cyber Bullying



**Yik Yak – 17+** Users can post anonymously and uses GPS to find those around you. Young users could find out about parties, or bully other anonymously. This app requires no personal information.



**Ask.fm –Age: 12+** Question and answer format that users could either remain anonymous or show username. Often users repeatedly ask mean questions or post mean comments to other users.



**Voxer – 4+** Walkie-talkie type of app where users can send voice messages to one user or a group. This can be especially hurtful if users send hurtful messages because messages can be played repeatedly.



**Whisper – 17+** Anonymously share “secrets” and put text across an image. Users can like, share, or comment on pictures, and shows the users location using GPS.

## Dating



**Tinder – 17+** This is a dating app for anonymous hookups that uses GPS location to find other users in the area and can be used to send messages and send photos. Users can log in through Facebook, where users only have to be 13 to sign up.



**Grindr – 17+** Another dating up typically used by gay/bisexual/curious men. Users can send messages, send photos, and find others in the area through the GPS function.



**Blindr – 17+** This app uses GPS locations for users to be able to meet up. There are no authentication restrictions, so adults and minors can both use. Users can send messages, pictures, videos, and rate the “hotness” of other users.



**DOWN – 17+** This app lets users choose whether they want to “get down” or “get date,” meaning that they want to hook up or are looking for something more serious. It also uses a GPS feature to find those in nearby areas. Although this is 17+, users can log on through Facebook.

## Messaging



**Kik – 12+** Talk with users around the world in private or group messages and send photos/videos. No age verification, so any age user can log on. Add users by username, not phone number, so only Wi-Fi is needed. Used for “sexting” or cyber-bullying.



**Snapchat – 12+** Users can send pictures to others that disappear after received. But, users can screenshot or save pictures they have received. Users can also private message each other.

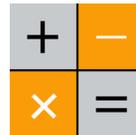


**Omegle.com –** This is a website that users can video chat using a webcam. Users are identified as “you” and “stranger” but since users can connect through Facebook, strangers can collect personal information to track down in person. This site is known for explicit content.



**Chatroulette – 16+** Another website for users to talk to strangers through messaging, video, for microphone. This site is also very known for showing extremely inappropriate sexual content.

## Secret Apps



**Calculator+ – 4+** Type in a secret password to hide photos and videos behind an app that looks similar to the calculator. Users can send these files via email or export files to camera roll or computer.



**Keep Safe Private Photo Vault – 4+** Keep and send private photos by being password protected and disguised as a different app.

## Other



**Tumblr – 17+** Blog site where users can post images, videos, and send messages. Users can easily find explicit or pornographic content.

**\* Some apps have an age limit but there are ways to get around this. Be sure to be checking your child's phone for any other unknown apps. \***