



"Every child is a unique child of God."

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New App – Threads

Threads was launched by Meta (creators of Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp) in July and this is similar in design to Twitter. As with Twitter, users can share text posts (with images and videos) and then other users can respond to create a thread. You need to have an Instagram account to login to Threads and you must be at least 13 years old to create an Instagram account. For everyone 13 – 17 years old (in the UK), their account will automatically be set as private when they join Threads. As with Instagram, users can choose specific words to filter out of replies as well as hide comments that may be offensive. Users can also unfollow, block and report a profile. Any accounts that you have blocked on Instagram will automatically be blocked on Threads as well. Users can also change their settings on Threads so other users are unable to mention them in replies. If you have supervision set up on Instagram for your child (aged 13 – 17) then it will automatically be set up for Threads and the same settings will be applied, such as time limits and scheduled breaks. Threads is still being developed so new functions will be added but currently you are unable to direct (private) message other users. You need to be aware that your child may come across content that is not appropriate. If your child is using this app, then make sure they know how to use the reporting/blocking facilities, that appropriate privacy/safety settings are applied and they know to speak to a trusted adult should they need to.



Quiz Time!

a.) How many times does an average user take a selfie before they are happy to post it?

a.) 3 b.) 13 c.) 10 d.) 20

2.) What is the PEGI age restriction on the game Roblox?

a.) 7+ b.) 18 c.) 5+ d.) 12+

Answers at the bottom of the newsletter on previous page.

Never share your
personal information.

Always tell a trusted
adult what your online
activity looks like.

Make sure you know
where the report button
is if something makes
you feel uncomfortable.