

ONLINE DATING

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A recent survey by Prof Andy Phippen of Plymouth University showed 88% of young people strongly agreed that technology has had a positive impact on their relationships.

Wherever possible use the communication tools provided by the dating site rather than your own email/phone number.

Limit your initial visibility -
When you sign up to a dating site, create a profile that limits how much personal data you share.

Does your mobile automatically share your current location? Photo images & other content can often contain location data.

It pays to remember that dating site members could be economical with the truth. Expectations should be clear and shared before you commit.

If someone is acting in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable or compromises your safety and well-being, then use the site's mechanisms to report them.

You may be doing others a favour.

In the excitement of a new online relationship, it is easy not to think straight.

Avoid posting sexual content when your judgement is clouded, for example drunk or stoned.
Reputation, blackmail, humiliation ...



USEFUL CONTACTS AND LINKS.....



Some advice on online dating from Match.com
www.uk.match.com/misc/advice.php

Relationship advice
www.thecoupleconnection.net

Safer sex advice
www.thesite.org

If things go wrong, talk to your local
Police or if needed, the Stalking Helpline
www.stalkinghelpline.org



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