

# **Our suggestions on safely using online** communities for your mental health



### **PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY**

Avoid sharing your personal details with others online, and check your privacy settings e.g. who can view your posts.



#### **SET BOUNDARIES**

Be mindful of how the community is making you feel. Trust your instincts and remember you can take a step back or leave a community that isn't benefiting you.



## **FACT-CHECK**

Don't take information online at face value. Fact-check information and advice through trusted sources or talk it over with a trusted adult.

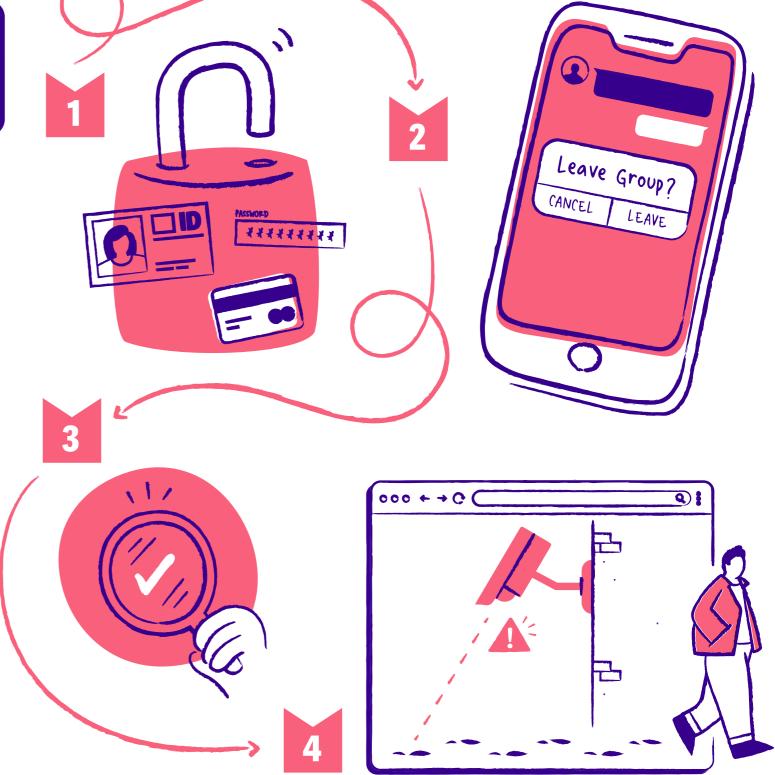


#### **BE AWARE OF YOUR DIGITAL FOOTPRINT**

When you're sharing in online communities, remember that it's hard to erase this later on. So be careful about what you share, and consider the future impact.

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