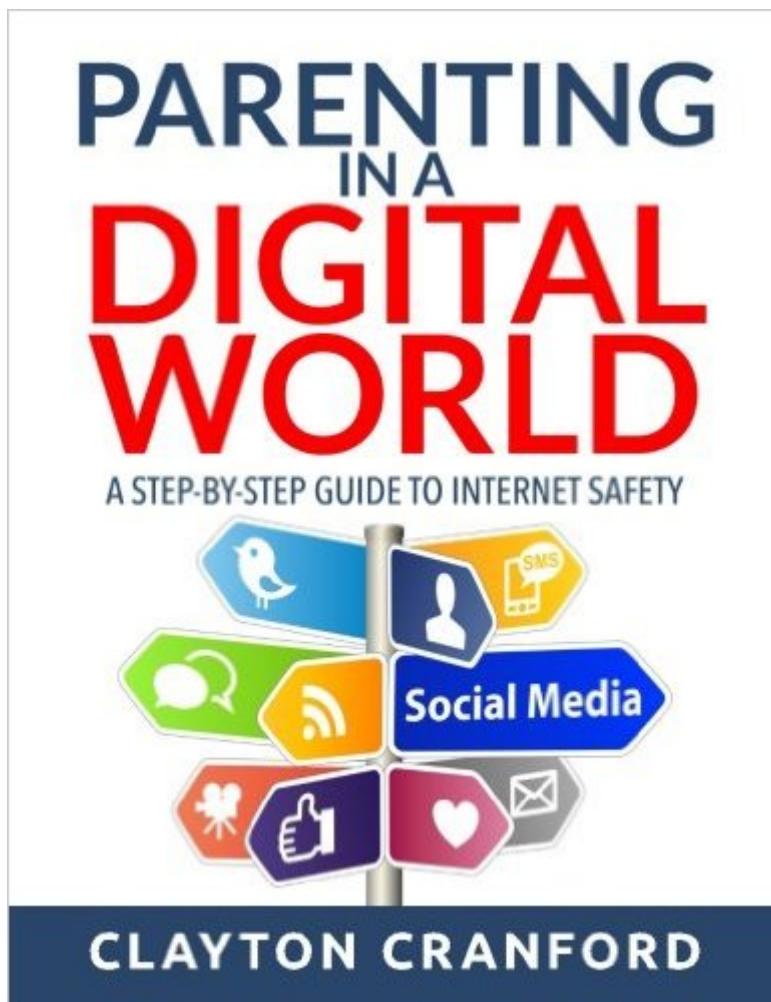


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# Parenting In The Digital World: A Step-by-Step Guide To Internet Safety



## Synopsis

Parenting in a Digital World is brilliantly organized, easy to follow, and offers screen shots and step-by-step instructions on how to manage the privacy settings on different operating systems and applications. The overview of the most popular apps being used today will be an important eye-opener for many caring adults. Knowledge is power and I am delighted to recommend this empowering book! Together, we can stop crimes against children. Be Brave. "Erin Runnion, Founder of The Joyful Child Foundation Digital Safety is a critical skill that mandates up to date knowledge and third party expertise. Clay Cranford brilliantly delivers both as the Safety Cop. Parenting in a Digital World is a must read for every parent and adult that has the privilege of supporting the success of twenty-first century kids. "Mama Marlaine, Founder Parenting 2.0 "Clay Cranford has done it" provided a handbook to put us, as both parents and educators, one step ahead of our digital teens/tweens. This book provides step by step visuals to help every adult set up privacy settings on every device that is both in our homes and on our teens." • "Amy Hemphill, Computer Literacy Educator This book answers the number one question parents of digital kids have today, "How Can I Keep My Child Safe Online?" • Parenting in a Digital World is an indispensable guide that should live on the nightstand of every parent raising kids today.

"Diana Graber, Co-Founder, Cyberwise.org and Founder, CyberCivics.com Parenting in a Digital World is written by Clayton Cranford, the nation's leading law enforcement educator on social media and online safety for children and recipient of the 2015 National Bullying Prevention Award. This easy step-by-step guide will show parents how to create a safe environment on the Internet, social networking apps, and on their children's favorite game consoles. Parenting in a Digital World will include:

- Step-by-step instructions for enabling all of the hidden settings in your computers, mobile devices, and game consoles to make them safe and secure.
- Safety settings on the latest operating systems and game consoles: Windows 8.1, Mac OSX, Apple mobile iOS, Android mobile OS, Xbox 360 & One, and Playstation 4.
- Latest and most popular apps for teens rated: What they do, their problems, and if they are safe for children.
- A guide to bringing sanity back to your child's digital world by showing parents how to successfully limit "screen time" in their homes.
- How to start a conversation about appropriate use of mobile devices and the Internet.
- A copy of the Cyber Safety Cop's Internet & Mobile Device Usage Contract.
- Steps to successfully dealing with a cyberbullying incident.
- Instructions how to block and report abuse on 83 different apps and online games.

Parenting in a Digital World is a truly unique book that offers real solutions to the inherent risks of the Internet, social media, and online games.

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## **Customer Reviews**

As a father and grandfather in addition to being a pastor, youth pastor and grief coach this a must read for any adult who loves young people in this modern world. So many of the issues that youth face today on Middle School, High School, and along with University Campuses are issues that relate in part to the use of the digital world. Today there may not be any continents to discover or few new animals to discover on the globe, but the digital world should be the quest and the adventure of every concerned adult. Issues with the digital world have led to bullying, self loathing, cutting, and even rape for many young people. This portal cuts through all of our attempts to protect those we care about. The best defense is to know the wide range of avenues of attack in our world today. I have known Clay since he was a freshman in High School and he is a man of great character. Get this book to protect those you love. Buy one for your child's principal and for the local PTO. There are many attempts to stop bullying and the issues mentioned above. This book is preventative and vital to good parenting in the modern world!

This book is a must for parents and educators and law enforcement. Clay is extremely knowledgeable about cyber safety and has educated parents and students in my school district for many years. After many of his talks I always receive compliments about how informative his presentations are. This book gives parents many necessary tools for staying ahead of the curve in the crazy world of social media. From sexual predators to human trafficking to cyberbullying, Clay covers it all. The book is easy to navigate and well organized. Clay covers the gamut of platforms

that kids are using today. There are many pictures to support the text so a reader won't be confused when trying to alter the privacy settings for their 13 year-old child's Instagram or Snapchat account. Additionally, his contract for parents and kids outlines and sets boundaries for kids and gives parents a tool for encouraging safe and responsible online behavior.

It's hard to say what I love most about this book; the age-appropriate social media platform guidelines, the step-by-step instructions on setting up safety guides, the social media contract for parents and teens, or the fact that it was written by a man who is passionate about his work and keeping his own family safe. This is a great resource for parents with pre-teens that will help them to feel empowered and engaged with their children.

I found the book very informative and useful in this social media and technology age. I am the father of two daughters and two grandchildren and I will buy a book for each of my daughters to use as they parent my grandkids. I think this is the perfect book for parents and grandparents as this age of social media continues to evolve and have issues with our kids. As a retired police officer I would've liked a book like this during my time working. This would've been a great guide and resource to use while talking with parents and others on the issues of social media. The author has done a great job in compiling this information and made it easy to understand and use. Thanks!

WOW! This guide has it all! With two boys who love to explore the Internet and all it has to offer, I feel safe knowing that I was able to learn, step by step, how to access and place parental controls on their devices. My husband and I were impressed with how this guide is simple and easy to use. The screen shots are super helpful! As the technology world keeps changing, I look forward to Clay Cranford publishing more safety manuals that will keep up with the ever-changing interests of kids. Well done, Clay...and THANK YOU!!!

There is simply no fluff in this book. Cranford gets to the point on the most pressing tech issues facing parents right now. In the early part of the book, each section reads like an article or blog post, and information is well-cited and illustrated. While chapters don't always flow smoothly from one to the next, and the book seems to jump around a little, each topic that he tackles is completely on point and relevant to today's parents. These are subjects that, as parents, we need to hear. Indeed, most of the book is a packed reference that parents will repeatedly find themselves reaching for. The greatest strength of Parenting in a Digital World is that it is immensely actionable.

Some of the topical chapters at the beginning even conclude with a list of action items. Of course, the parental controls section is all about the steps to take to make online access safer. In this visually appealing, information-rich book, Cranford has given parents a solid reference and clear steps to take to strengthen the digital fence around our families. While the tone leans a little heavily towards fear and the scarier aspects of tech, Cranford speaks from hard-earned experiences with aspects of our online world most of us never see. As parents, we would do well to listen to him and follow his advice in keeping our kids safer online.

As technology becomes more and more part of our daily lives it is becoming harder and harder to keep track of it all. Clay provides some excellent tips and procedures to make sure our kids are safe while using digital media since we all know we can't monitor them 24/7.

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