



What is "freedom of expression"?

It's a fundamental human right to voice one's opinion publicly without fear of censorship or punishment, that must be upheld in democratic societies

It includes various forms of expression: public

speaking, writing, art, etc.





Everyone has the right to freedom of expression. This right shall include freedom to hold opinions and to receive and impart information and ideas without interference by public authority and regardless of frontiers.

Art 10, The European Convention on Human Rights [1950]

The freedom to express opinions, to acquire and to disseminate information shall be **ensured to everyone**.

Art 54, The Constitution of Poland [1997]



Everyone has the right to freedom of expression, which includes the right to freely **receive**, **keep** and **distribute** information and to **express** his or her views.

Art 54, The Constitution of Latvia [1922]





Can freedom of expression be restricted? YES

- it is not an absolute right
- can only be restricted by law
 - where necessary to respect the rights or reputations of others;
 - for the protection of national security or of public order, or of public health or morals
- defamation and hate speech laws can be justifiable as protecting the reputation and rights of others

Do you agree? Discuss these statements:

- no one should be penalized for statements which are true
- it should be possible to criticize, even harshly, political beliefs of other people, as long as this does not amount to advocating hatred against an individual
- democratic government cannot block social media
- a journalist receives top secret documents that show that the government has been lying about its involvement in an ongoing war. He can publish
- the documents on his website.
- Facebook can decide what content I can publish



What is "hate speech"?

Bias-motivated, **hostile**, malicious speech aimed at a person or a group of people because of some of their actual or perceived innate characteristics.

It expresses discriminatory attitudes towards those characteristics, which include gender, race, religion, ethnicity, color, national origin, disability or sexual orientation.

Hate speech is intended to injure, dehumanize and victimize the

targeted groups.





Where can it happen?

everyday life

schools, workplaces, playgrounds

families (domestic violence)

- internet
 - social media, discussion boards, comment sections...
- media, movies, games
- politics, public life
- What other places / situations?
 Discuss.







Who can be the target of online hate?

- · every person, including you
- public persons (celebrities, politicians, influencers)
- representatives of minorities (ethnic, religious, sexual, etc.)
- activists
- political supporters and more





Online hate & cyberbullying in Poland:

- 73% of Polish youth aged 9-17 have at least one profile on social media or gaming site
- 40% of Polish students have been affected
- 39% of them have never reported it
- forms of online hate
 - slurs 60% of students have faced it
 - humiliation and ridicule 58 %
 - impersonation 41 %





What should you do if you are the target?

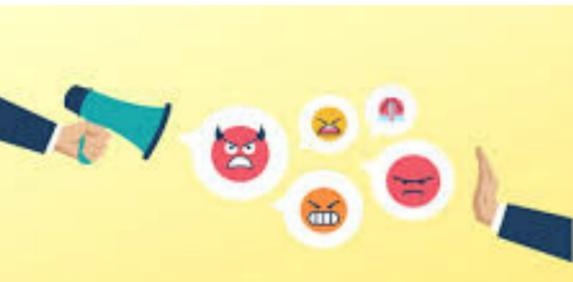
- don't fight back with the same weapon revenge is never an answer
- talk to your parents, your friends, an adult you trust or a helpline about the issue
- report hateful content to the online service provider or administrator or even to the police
 - save the evidence (e.g. take screenshots, keep the messages)
- ask for psychological support, if needed
- discuss the problem with your friends



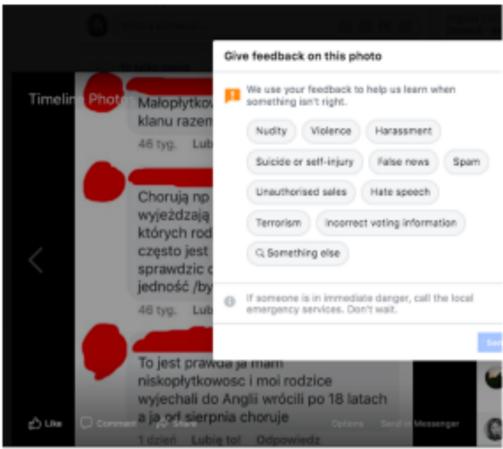
How can you combat online hate?

- think about what you say and do online
- respect other people's feelings and privacy be a role model
- report and block hateful content, also when targeted at people you do not know
- · talk to an adult if you know somebody is targeted
- don't share it



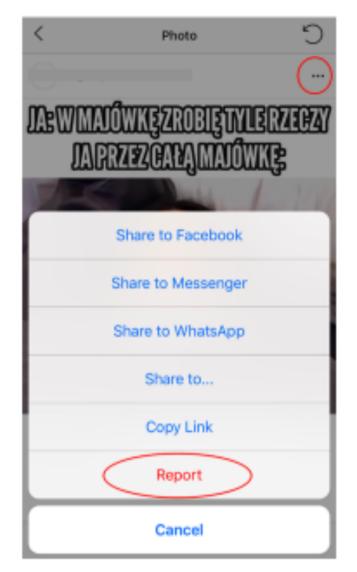




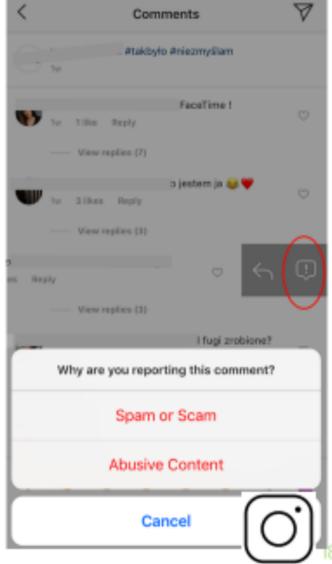


















CYBERBULLYING





Where can you search for more information?

www.betterinternetforkids.eu

www.youth-life.gr

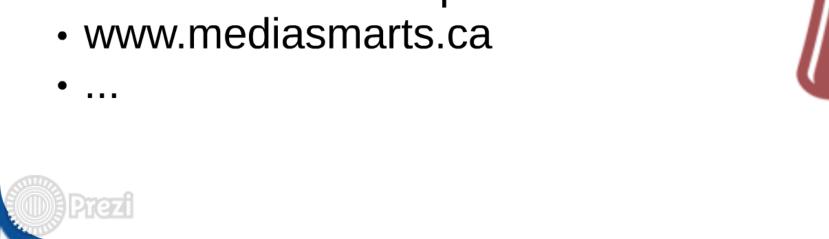
www.saferinternet4kids.gr

www.cybersafety.cy

www.drossinternets.lv

www.draugiskasinternetas.lt

www.saferinternet.pl



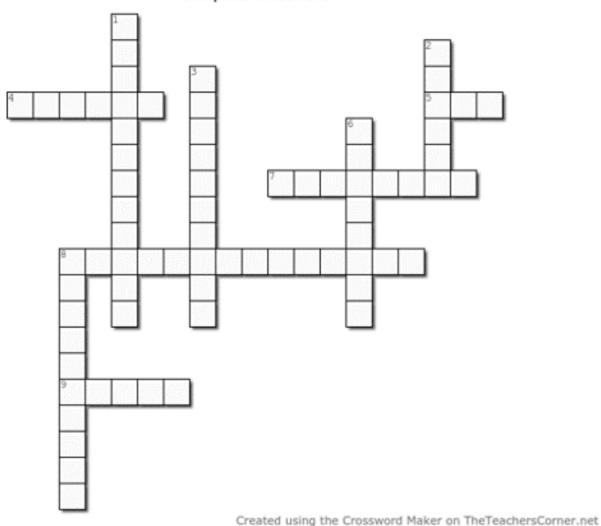




Tasks/Reflection

Freedom of expression

Complete crossword



Across

- 4. How can you fight against online hate?
- 5. What can freedom of expression be restricted by?
- 7. Where can 'hate speech' happen?
- 8. What attitude expresses 'hate speech'?
- 9. If you know someone is targeted you need to talk to ...

Down

- 1. Who can be the target of online hate?
- 2. To whom you can report hateful content?
- 3. What can online hate lead to?
- 6. Who has the right to freedom of expression?
- 8. What is 'hate speech' intended to do?



Reference

 Emily Howie, Protecting the human right to freedom of expression in international law [in:] International Journal of Speech-Language Pathology, 10 Nov 2017. Retrieved from https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/ full/10.1080/17549507.2018.1392612 [on 25 July 2019]

 European Court of Human Rights, European Convention on Human Rights", November 4 1950. Retrieved from: https://www.echr.coe.int/Documents/Convention_ENG.pdf [on 25 July 2019]

Cyberbullying [in:] Media Smarts. Retrieved from: http://mediasmarts.ca/digital-media-literacy/digital-issues/cyberbullying [on 25 July 2019]

 Najwyższa Izba Kontroli, NIK o cyberprzemocy wśród dzieci i młodzieży, 10 September 2017. Retrieved from https://www.nik.gov.pl/aktualnosci/nik-o-cyberprzemocy-wsrod-dzieci-i-mlodziezy.html [on 25 July 2019]



List of illustrations

- https://www.google.lt/search?biw=1366&bih=608&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=MzMKXc-NGc6tkwWp67fgDQ&q=online+hate&oq=online +hate&gs_l=img.3..0i19l2.450240.454680..455538...0.0..0.147.1539.1j12.....0...1..gws-wiz-img....0..35i39j0i67j0j0i30j0i5i30j0i8i30.zdOnwATg0X8#imgrc=SWzTqHTlsLNfkM:
- https://www.google.lt/search?
 biw=1366&bih=608&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=TC8KXZ_LOoS2kwXNqYTwDA&q=microphone&oq=microphone&gs_l=img.3..0l5j0i30l5.416018.418646..419583...0.0..0.141.1242.0j10.....
 0....1..gws-wiz-img......35i39j0i67.7OjteVYS1vs#imgrc=hmO1xmcOPEZp7M:
- https://www.google.lt/search?q=social +media&source=lnms&tbm=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwibhPiYzvXiAhXpoIsKHfbXD9oQ_A UIECgB&biw=1366&bih=608#imgrc=esWppvKvD3gvtM:
- https://www.google.lt/search?
 biw=1366&bih=608&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=bi4KXfL8KLCxrgTj2onYAQ&q=freedom+of
 +expression&oq=freedom+of
 +ex&gs_l=img.3.0.0i19l10.215403.218668..220159...0.0..0.141.1643.0j13.....0....1..gws-wiz-img......35i39j0j0i67.1Did9M-DAsM#imgrc=hl0oHqeZyjbAPM:
- https://www.google.lt/search?q=hate
 +speech&source=lnms&tbm=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjS8JXMyPXiAhWIp4sKHQpkCJQ
 Q_AUIECgB&biw=1366&bih=657#imgrc=QMZawYrVqik7-M:



Authorship

Prezi made by Beata Biel, Reporters Foundation

Prezi design made by Karolina Rusecka, John Paul II gymnasium in Vilnius.



MEDIA LAB FOR BRIDGING CROSS BORDER GAPS

Co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union







NACIONALINĖ ŠVIETIMO AGENTŪRA















