All About ...Twitter

Twitter is an online 'micro-blogging' social network founded in 2006. It's known for its short character limit of 280 characters, with the platform encouraging users to 'keep it brief'. It is also known for its use of hashtags, threads, and trending topics.

Even though Twitter is meant for users aged 13 or over, we've found that it's pretty easy for anyone to browse Twitter pages without being signed up – and a lot of popular 'clickbait' sites use published tweets in their content.

Age Rating 13+

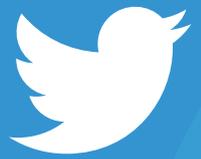**Ineqe Safeguarding Group** ✔
@ineqegroup

How it works (a thread)
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Tweets
@how-tweets-work

Users can write updates (Tweets) as one-offs or threads.
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Community
@other-tweeters

Other users can reply, like, or share (retweet!) Tweets.
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Twitter Feed
@what-did-they-say!?

Users view Tweets from those they follow on one page. 👀

Tweets can also include photos and videos!

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Let's settle this...
@what-do-you-think?

Can include Polls to find out what people think!

52% Pineapple belongs on Pizza 🍕
48% It definitely does NOT!! 🍕

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You have to hear this
@straight-from-the-tweeters-mouth

You can even add a voice recording of a Tweet! (up to 140 seconds)

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Explore
@How-do-I-see-more?

This allows users to see topics by common themes or hashtags. ⚽
#FIFA22 fifa.com

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Trending Now
@what-did-I-miss?

Shows the current most popular #hashtags by country.

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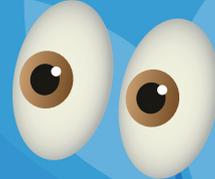# WARNING!!!
Twitter use may lead to...!

📍 **LOCATION REVEAL**
Tweets can be geotagged, which could broadcast a user's exact location (or favourite places to hang out) to others.

PUBLIC SCRUTINY
All Tweets are public by default, meaning anyone can view, reply, and retweet regardless of their age or beliefs.
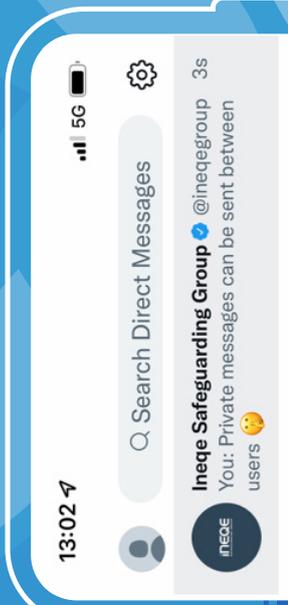
🚫18 **ADULT INTERACTION**
A higher ratio of adults on the platform means age-inappropriate content is more likely to be viewed by younger users.

GRAPHIC / INACCURATE CONTENT
During violent or traumatic events, graphic or inaccurate content can be shared in real time, which may distress younger audiences.

It's common for Twitter @handles and #hashtags to be shared in live broadcasts or during film/television series promotion to encourage audiences to follow the conversation as it happens #allabouttwitter

#Hashtags are used to link topics together with one phrase across the platform!

Search Direct Messages

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You: Private messages can be sent between users

13:02

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@ineqegroup

Don't panic! Twitter can be used safely when…

🔒 Safety Settings are enabled.
😊 Only kind words are used.
⏳ Screen time limits are in place.
👨‍👩‍👧 Trusted Adults are available.

GIF **SAFETY FIRST!**

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