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# We want you to stay safe wherever you are in the world. The following information can help you

## When Meeting Online

#### 1. Get to know them first

Meeting on video call is great. Then you can see surroundings and when you get to know when better maybe ask them to see a little more of their surroundings. Eventually they may want you to meet their friends and meet family online.

#### 2. Keep your contact information safe

Until you really get to know them and trust them. This includes surname/ family, date of birth and place of birth.

#### 3. Do some online detective work if needed

Our online downloadable investigation tutorial (coming soon!) can show you how to investigate your date in more detail. It is absolutely OK to check out their social their social media and any online google searches as well.

# 4. Choose carefully before you decide to part with any money

A big alarm bell can be when someone asks for money quickly or some time into the relationship. Especially if you have not met.

#### When Meeting In Person

#### 1. Meet in a public place

This can be a bar or a restaurant. Make sure it is somewhere not too remote and fairly busy. We suggest drinks to start so that you are not tied into a meal in case you want to leave

#### 2. Make sure you know the full name of the person you are meeting.

Some people may not want to disclose full names, but it is worth asking and letting them know you just ask people their full name to stay safe on a first date.

**3. Grab a screenshot of their picture with contact details.** Send to a friend or family member who will be around and checking their phone when you are on your date.

## 3. Let friends know where you are going and who you are meeting

Tell at least one person where you are going and who you are meeting.

#### 4. Have transport booked from the venue

You can always postpone if you want to leave later, but having a taxi or other transport booked can help. Or drive and have your car close by. Let them know when you arrive there is a time limit to leave. You can always extend it afterwards. More comprehensive details are in our "First Face to Face Date" downloadable tutorial (coming soon!)

#### 5. Switch the Find My Friends app on

If you and a friend have this app this can give you a little more security.

#### 6. Drop a pin

Wherever you meet or if you do go somewhere else, drop a pin and send it to a friend.



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# 7. Always be confident and leave is there is a bad vibe

It is ABSOLUTELY ok to leave if you are not feeling comfortable, safe or just not feeling the vibe. There are a number of ways you can leave. Make an excuse, say your car parking is expiring or when you set the date, let them know when you arrive there is a time limit to leave. You can always extend it afterwards. You can just be honest and tell them you are not feeling the chemistry and you would like to leave. However, if there is any feeling of threat then make an excuse and go to the bathroom and then to the bar or counter and let them know you need help. More comprehensive details are in our "First Face to Face Date" downloadable tutorial (coming soon!)