



# Guidance for teachers wanting to get their pupils involved in the Youth IGF Project.

## What is the Youth IGF Project?

In a nutshell The Youth IGF Project is an opportunity for young people to have a say in the future of the Internet. We know that the Internet plays a huge part in young people's lives and believe that young people have a right to shape and feed in to the decisions that are made about its future. We want to know about children's experiences and understanding of the Internet. Is it really the best it can possibly be? Can all children access the Internet? Who should be in charge of the Internet? What responsibilities do children have to keep the internet a great and safe place?

## What is the IGF?

The IGF stands for Internet Governance Forum. This annual UN mandated event has occurred annually since 2006 in Athens, Rio and Hyderabad. This year the event will be held in Sharm-el Sheikh.Egypt. Each event offers opportunities for international dialogue regarding issues relating to the Internet. Discussions at the IGF are generally structured around four principles of openness, access, diversity and security.

## Getting involved...

### Primary

We are inviting primary pupils to engage in this project in three ways:

- 1) To complete one of our primary questionnaires (included below)
- 2) To complete a join hands character and express wishes for the future of the internet (instructions and template included)
- 3) To send via email a response to the Youth IGF Project – drawings, PowerPoint presentations, audio clips, pupil to pupil interviews etc let us know what you think about the future of the internet in a creative way!

**For more information** Teachers we invite you to visit these sites for background info ☺

### Video responses



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### Discussions



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### Polls



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[www.youtube.com/YouthIGFProject](http://www.youtube.com/YouthIGFProject)

Search: Youth-IGF-Project

<http://www.bebo.com/youthigfproject>

Please send/scan/email your questionnaires and best join hands characters to [youthigf@gmail.com](mailto:youthigf@gmail.com) or Childnet International, Studio 14, Brockley Cross Business Centre, 96 Endwell Road, London, SE4 2PD

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Age \_\_\_\_\_

Girl or Boy \_\_\_\_\_



1) This alien is using the Internet to find out about our world. Is it going to be able to learn about everything? Why or why not?

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2) How do you make sure you stay safe online?

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3) Who should be in charge of the Internet?

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4) What do you think the Internet will be like in the future?

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5) If the internet was a person what would it look like?  
**Draw your picture on the back of this sheet.**





## Instructions of how to make a join hands character

You are going to do two things in this activity. The first is to write a caption in a speech bubble. Your caption must include :

- a. What your wish is for the future of the Internet.

To be successful in this activity you need to write a good caption and remember punctuation, connectives and good describing words!

When you have written an amazingly fantastic caption you can go on to create an amazingly fantastic character to go with it like the one below! Try to make your character as colourful and as original as possible. There are different hair styles and clothes for you to choose- just like when you make characters online.

Cut and stick then colour in!

Scan your characters in to the computer and email them to [youthigf@gmail.com](mailto:youthigf@gmail.com) . Your school might win a prize!



I love using the Internet to find out about what is happening in exotic countries around the world. My wish for the future is that all children will know how to use the Internet safely and won't get viruses.

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