

The Tale of Tendo's First Tablet

CHILDREN'S CYBER SAFETY GUIDE



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Tendo was so excited! On her 8th birthday, her parents surprised her with a beautiful new tablet. It was a dream come true since most of her classmates owned one. "It's your responsibility now, Tendo," said Mama. "Remember it's not just for games, but for learning too."

Tendo loved her tablet. She was eager to play games, watch videos, and talk to her friends. But Papa reminded her, "Before you start, you must learn the rules of the digital world. Just like we teach you to cross the road safely, you must know how to be safe online."





Rule One was about passwords.

Mama said, "Your password is like the key to your house. If you leave the door open, anyone can walk in!"

So Tendo thought hard and created a strong password: KukuDance!formum29. She smiled proudly, it was something only she could remember.

Rule Two was about screen time.

Papa gave her a timer and a specific time on when to use the tablet. "Just like we rest our eyes from reading, we must rest from screens too. One hour of games, then take a break." Tendo nodded. She wanted her eyes to stay healthy and her mind fresh.



Rule Three was about strangers online.

Mama warned, "Not everyone on the internet is who they say they are. If someone you don't know asks you for pictures, secrets, or to meet, say **NO** and tell us immediately."
Tendo promised, "I'll never talk to strangers online."





One afternoon, while playing her favorite game, a message popped up:
"Hi! I like your game. Want to be friends?"
Tendo didn't recognize the name. She remembered Mama's words: Strangers are not safe.
She closed the chat quickly and told Papa.



Papa was proud.
"That was very smart, Tendo! You kept yourself safe." Tendo felt brave. She realized her tablet wasn't just a toy, it was a doorway. And with the rules, she held the key to keep that doorway safe.



Over the weekend, Tendo showed her friends how to create strong passwords.

"Never use your name or 1234," she explained. "Pick something secret and strong!"

Her friends clapped and laughed. "Tendo, you're our cyber-safety hero!"

From then on, Tendo balanced her tablet time
with playing outside, reading books, and
drawing.

She loved both worlds, the digital world and
the real one.

And every night, she whispered to herself:
“Passwords, screen time, no strangers, stay
safe online!”





And so, Tendo's first tablet became more than a birthday gift.

It became the start of her journey into the digital world, safe, smart, and full of fun.

Because Tendo had learned the most important rule of all: The internet is magical, but only when you use it wisely.