

OUR FAMILY AGREEMENT ABOUT USING THE INTERNET

*I want to use our computer and access the Internet.
I know that there are certain rules about what
I should do online. I agree to follow – with
parental agreement to help me follow – these rules.*

- 1** I will not give my name, address, telephone number, school, or my parents' names, address or telephone number to anyone I meet on the computer.
- 2** I understand that some people online pretend to be someone else. Sometimes they pretend to be kids, when they're really grown-ups. I will tell my parents about people I meet online. I will also tell my parents before I answer any emails I get from – or send emails to – new people I meet online.
- 3** I will not buy or order anything online, or give out any credit card information, without asking my parents.
- 4** I will not fill out any form online that asks me for any information about myself or my family without asking my parents first.
- 5** I will not get into arguments or fights online. If someone tries to start an argument or fight with me, I won't answer him or her, and I will tell my parents.
- 6** If I see something I do not like or that I know my parents don't want me to see, I will click on the "back" button or log off.
- 7** If I see people doing things or saying things to other kids online that I know they're not supposed to do or say, I'll tell my parents.
- 8** I won't keep online secrets from my parents.
- 9** If someone sends me any pictures or any emails using bad language, I will tell my parents.
- 10** If someone asks me to do something I am not supposed to do, I will tell my parents.
- 11** I will not call in person anyone I met online, unless my parents say it's okay.
- 12** I will never meet in person anyone I met online, unless my parents say it's okay.
- 13** I will never send anything to anyone I met online, unless my parents say it's okay.
- 14** If anyone I met online sends me anything, I will tell my parents.
- 15** I will not use something I found online and pretend it's mine.
- 16** I won't say bad things about people online, and I will practice good netiquette.
- 17** I won't use bad language online.
- 18** I know that my parents want to make sure I'm safe online, and I will listen to them when they ask me not to do something.
- 19** I will help teach my parents more about computers and the Internet.
- 20** I will practice safe computing, and check for viruses whenever I borrow a disk from someone or download something from the Internet.

PARENT: *I promise to help my child follow these rules and not to over-react if my child tells me about bad things in cyberspace.*

If my child reports a violation I will discuss the matter with them first before calling the contract broken.

If this contract is broken, the consequences will be:

Signature of parent: _____

CHILD: *I understand and promise to follow these rules.*

Signature of child: _____

Date of agreement: _____