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Children must rewrite and paraphrase, not just copy material from the Internet. They must always include proper citations when they are using other people's work. 

It is against the law to copy or download same types of information or music from the Internet without permission.

National Crime Prevention Council

The Internet has changed the way children do schoolwork. But they need to realize that information they find on the Internet is not all free. Be sure they understand the following:

Principle: When downloading material from the Internet, be sure you know where you are getting it from. Asking your teacher for help is always a good idea.

Properly cited work is what they learned in school. It is acceptable to use the Internet as a research tool when preparing a paper or presentation. But they must always include proper citations when they are using other people's work.

Using the Internet for research is very similar to using a library. Material found on the Internet is subject to the same rules as material found in a library.

Be sure they understand that they need to show credit to the author, a database, or library. Be sure they know which part of the Internet they are looking at. Is it a website, a newsgroup, a discussion forum, or a bulletin board? It is not a library.
Some services may be deceptive if they tell you about something that is not approved by the FDA. If you are unsure whether a service is legitimate, you may be at risk of receiving products that are contaminated, counterfeit, or not approved by the FDA—or you may pay and receive nothing at all.

It may be illegal to import the prescription drugs you need from a foreign country. If you find a website that offers to sell a drug you need, ask yourself whether it is legal to order the drug from that website. If the website does not have a legal address in the United States, do not order drugs from that website.

Following these tips can help you keep your family safe:
1. Never purchase prescription drugs without your doctor’s prescription.
2. Be familiar with the medications you take and how to store them.
3. Make sure the package or container has not been altered or the label changed.
4. Only buy prescription medications from a licensed pharmacy that you trust.
5. Do not purchase medications from a foreign website. If you have concerns, call the MedWatch number: 800-332-1088.

Here are some tips for buying prescription drugs online:
1. Always use a reputable online pharmacy. Some online pharmacies will sell you drugs without a prescription.
2. Make sure the pharmacy is a member of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), online or offline. To determine if a pharmacy is a member of the NABP, visit www.nabp.net or call 847-698-6227.
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To determine if a website is a licensed pharmacy in good standing, check with the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), online or offline. To determine if a pharmacy is a member of the NABP, visit www.nabp.net or call 847-698-6227.

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