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GTA VI: Information for Parents and Carers

What is GTA VI?
Grand Theft Auto VI (GTA VI) is the latest game in the Grand Theft Auto series developed by Rockstar Games. The game follows a story centred around crime, action and adult themes.

PEGI 18 - What Does This Mean?
GTA VI is expected to receive a PEGI 18 age rating, the highest age classification used for video games in the UK. A PEGI 18 rating means the game is designed for adults aged 18 and over and is not considered suitable for children or younger teenagers.

Games with a PEGI 18 rating may contain:
Strong violence, Criminal activity and anti-social behaviour, Strong language, References to drugs and alcohol, Sexual themes and content, Gambling-related themes, Mature online interactions.

PEGI age ratings are based on content, not difficulty.

Exposure Through Social Media
It is important to remember that a child does not need to own the game to be exposed to its content.

Game clips shared on platforms such as TikTok, YouTube, Instagram and Discord may contain mature content that is not suitable for children.

What Can Parents and Carers Do?
✅ Check age ratings before purchasing games.
✅ Use parental controls on consoles, PCs and mobile devices.
✅ Be aware of what your child is watching online as well as what they are playing.
✅ Talk openly about online safety, respectful behaviour and appropriate content.
✅ Encourage your child to speak to a trusted adult if they encounter anything online that makes them feel uncomfortable.

Useful Resources
PEGI - www.pegi.info
Internet Matters - www.internetmatters.org
NSPCC Online Safety - www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety
UK Safer Internet Centre - www.saferinternet.org.uk

Gaming can be a positive way for young people to socialise, learn new skills and relax. Understanding age ratings and maintaining open conversations about online activity can help ensure children enjoy gaming safely and responsibly.