# Young Gamers & Gamblers Education Trust



Providing the tools and information to build resilience, inform, educate and safeguard young people about the potential harm of gaming and gambling.

YGAM is a UK charity with a social purpose to inform, educate and safeguard young people around the potential harms caused by gaming and gambling.





Whilst children are not at school it is likely that they are spending more time than usual playing games either on their own or with friends.





According to a report published in October 2019 by the Children's Commissioner, 93% of young people play video games.





Are you concerned about your online behaviour or those of a friend?

Have a look at the key indicators listed on the following slides and information on where to get help.







### **Spotting The Signs: Gaming Disorder**

## **Emotional Signs**

- Preoccupation with gaming
- Downplaying time gaming
- Unable to set time limits
- Avoiding family/friends
- Being overly defensive



## **Physical Signs**

- Meadaches or migraines
- Neglecting hygiene
- Extreme fatigue
- Carpal tunnel syndrome







### **Spotting The Signs: Problematic Gambling**

- Spending too much time and/or money
- Finding it hard to manage or stop
- Arguing with family or friends
- Thinking or talking about it all the time
- Chasing losses or suffering debt issues

- Gambling until you have nothing left
- Feeling anxious, worried
- Losing interest in hobbies
- Neglecting personal needs
- Lying/hiding gambling
- Selling possessions























YGAM offer **free** accredited training and resources for people working directly with young people.



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