

Online Profile Tips

For your assignment, include your name and at least 5 other categories of information. Choose information that is appropriate for your audience and that will be safe to share on the Internet.

Category	Writing Tips
Name	For online profiles, never give your full name. Do be sure that the name you choose is appropriate for audiences of readers who will see the information.
Birthday	Remember that you should not share your age or full birth date online. If you want, it is usually safe to post the day and month you were born (for instance, May 25). Think about the audiences that will see the information and decide whether to include this information.
Employment	You can share general information about any job you might have. For instance, you might list babysitting, lawn care. You might also list the general name of a store that you work at, such as electronics at Target or after-school at 7-11. To be safe online, do not state the address of your place of employment.
Biggest Fear	For each of these profile items, think about the audience who will read your profile. You might think of rephrasing each of these items by adding the phrase " <u>that I'm willing to share with these readers.</u> " Remember that others will read your answers, so you should never share information that you wouldn't want them to read. Remember to share only the information that is safe for the Internet. Don't include specific addresses or names that a reader might use to locate you. For instance, say that your favorite sport is varsity soccer, rather than mentioning a specific school or team.
Most Embarrassing Moment	
Proudest Accomplishment	
Most Surprising Fact	
Favorite Activities/Hobbies	
Favorite Sports	
Role Model(s)/Inspiration(s)	
Favorite Movie(s)	As you choose information you might list here, remember to select details that you're willing to share with your readers. Remember that anyone—including other students and teachers—may read your answers. Be sure that you choose answers that you'd say if someone asked you the same question in a face-to-face conversation.
Favorite Book(s)	
Favorite CD(s)	
Favorite Group(s)/Singer(s)	
Favorite TV Show	
Favorite Food(s)	
Favorite Store	
Twenty Random Facts	List miscellaneous details and facts that you want to share with your readers, adjusting the number to fit the number of items you're including. Think of the facts as random thought and/or items that you claim bragging rights to. Again, be sure that the items you list are information that you're willing to share with your readers.