

OVERVIEW

Students discuss what abbreviations are. They watch "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation" and discuss UYN and other chat abbreviations. They perform the UYN lyrics in small groups and make individual UYN posters to hang at home.

PROGRAM GOAL

Enhance the ability of children to recognize dangers on the Internet.

MATERIALS

- computer lab or computer connected to an LCD projector or television monitor
- "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation" show
- copies of UYN rap lyrics for each student (attachment 1)
- large pieces of paper or poster board for each student
- crayons and markers
- character pictures (attachment 2)

TIME

20 minutes

INTERNET SAFETY MESSAGE

All Internet safety pledge rules apply.

ACTIVITY

What is an abbreviation? An abbreviation is a shorter way to say something. One kind of abbreviation is when you say the first letter of each word. List a few examples on the board: IM=Instant Messaging, WWW=World Wide Web, SCUBA=Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, BLT=Bacon, Lettuce, and Tomato. Can you think of any other abbreviations you've heard? Clicky has a special abbreviation he wants to teach Nettie and Webster today. Watch closely to see what it is.

Watch "UYN: The NetSmartz Chat Abbreviation."

What is the abbreviation Clicky taught us? UYN. What does it mean? Use Your NetSmartz. When we're talking to other people on the Internet, we can use chat abbreviations. Do you know any chat abbreviations besides UYN? Possible answers may include BRB (Be Right Back), KIT (Keep In Touch), and LOL (Laughing Out Loud).

Give each student a copy of the UYN rap lyrics page (attachment 1). Put students in groups of three or four. Tell the groups that they need to rehearse Clicky's UYN rap. One student in each group should read/sing the lyrics. The other students should make background percussion sound effects for the rap. Allow groups a few minutes to practice the rap, then let them take turns performing for the class.

Hand students a large piece of paper or poster board. Have them make a UYN poster to keep by their home computer or on the wall in their bedroom. Tell them to write the letters "UYN" in large print and include the phrase "Use Your NetSmartz" on the poster. They may decorate the poster with pictures of Clicky, Nettie, Webster (attachment 2), any of the WizzyWigs, or computer parts. Encourage them to make the posters fun and creative.

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Hey there kids, UYN, the NetSmartz chat abbreviation.
There's BRB and KIT, LOL, haha, hehe. UYN, kids and teens.

Webster:

Uh, hey Clicky,
what does it mean?

Clicky:

Use your NetSmartz, UYN.
Use your NetSmartz when
you're on IM.

UYN, tell all your friends.
Be safer online, kids, UYN.
UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.

Never give out information,
like your name, your age,
or your location.

UYN, it's the smart thing to do.
Use Your NetSmartz.
All your friends can do it too.

If someone online is using all caps,
Think UYN, and don't type back.

UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.
UYN, UYN, all the NetSmartz
kids type UYN.

Nettie:

UYN, I like it.
Tell us more Clicky, please?

Clicky:

Alright, alright, but listen up,
these rules are important.
When you have an E-mail, and
you don't know who it's from,
UYN, don't open that one.

If you're on IM, no matter what time,
And someone tries to meet you offline,
UYN, tell an adult you trust.
Use Your NetSmartz,
now that's a must.

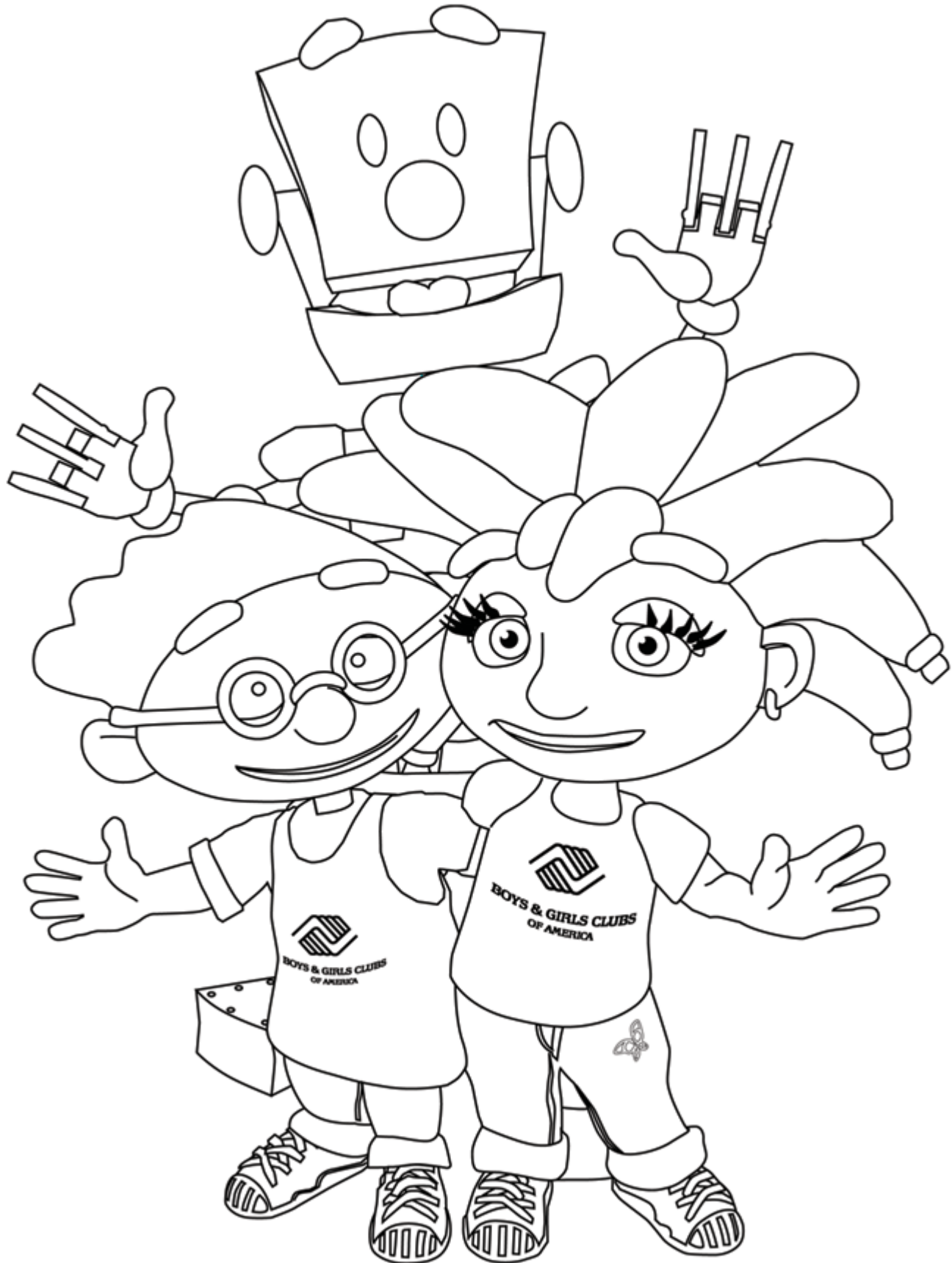
UYN, UYN, the NetSmartz
chat abbreviation.
UYN, UYN, all the kids in the
world say UYN.



UYN: THE NETSMARTZ CHAT ABBREVIATION 1

GRADES 3-4

ATTACHMENT 2



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