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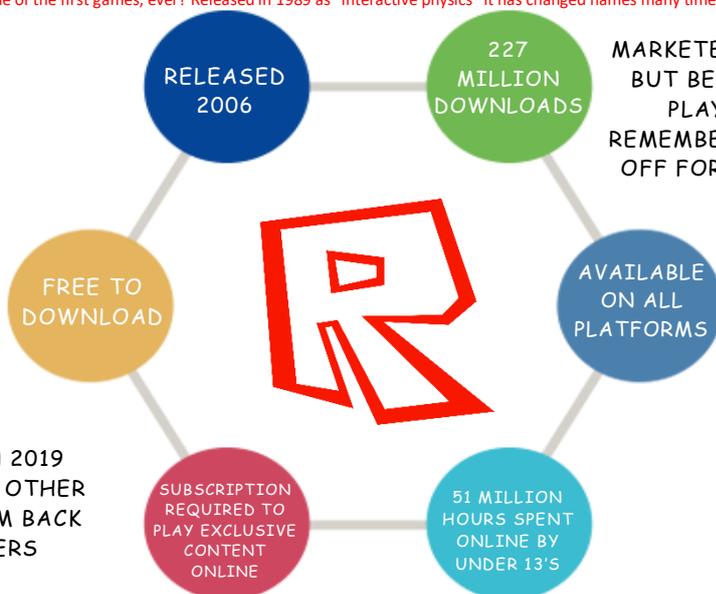
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ROBLOX

ROBLOX provides scripting tips and design elements to help fellow designers create games and activities. Users can also chat with and friend each other and post on message boards.

1) Click your "MY Roblex" option at the top (the character icon) and click "account"

2) Select "parent email address" and add your email & verify with the link sent to your email

3) Now enter "account" again and select "Privacy Mode ON", you can now set the chat to OFF.

Trivia: Did you know that Roblox was one of the first games, ever? Released in 1989 as "interactive physics" it has changed names many times before becoming "Roblox" in 2006.

RELEASED 2006

227 MILLION DOWNLOADS

FREE TO DOWNLOAD

AVAILABLE ON ALL PLATFORMS

SUBSCRIPTION REQUIRED TO PLAY EXCLUSIVE CONTENT ONLINE

51 MILLION HOURS SPENT ONLINE BY UNDER 13'S

4 MILLION USERS IN 2019 CREATED WORLDS FOR OTHER USERS AND SOLD THEM BACK TO ROBLOX CREATERS

MARKETED AT 8-18 YEAR OLDS BUT BEWARE, ANYONE CAN PLAY IT OF ANY AGE. REMEMBER TO TURN THE CHAT OFF FOR VULNERABLE USERS

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GOOD POINTS

1. Encouraging creativity and construction, you can create our own "worlds" and sell them back to the Roblox owners as content for other users to enjoy, this is verified and safe to do.
2. Once you spend some time setting up the account, you can make it relatively safe, turning off chat entirely and turning off the option to receive or send friend requests.
3. Many users playing Roblox enjoy the simple feel of the game and most of the time users do not migrate to more violent games

BAD POINTS

1. Many parents believe their younger children only play "offline" but with one click, they're in the online world and you would struggle to tell the difference without asking.
2. With unchanged account settings anyone in the online world can request you as a friend, many younger users will accept these requests without knowing who it is. (most of the time because they feel bad for ignoring the request)
3. Many adults play this game, creating worlds etc. Like any game or social media there are risks around grooming and exposure to explicit language and content.

Parent Opinion:
Mother of an 8-year-old daughter

My daughter plays ROBLOX all the time. I decided, as her parent to investigate it. I found that it is free unless you want a membership. If your child is interested in programming, then you have hit the jackpot. In this game, you can create games for others to play and play games others created. I highly recommend you have your child play ROBLOX.

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