

Instagram

Lets users take photos, edit and share photos either publicly or with a private network of followers. Links with other social media too.

Minimum age: 13



Snapchat

A messaging app that puts a time limit on the pictures and videos users send before they disappear.

Snap Map is a new feature that allows users to see where contacts are. Users can zoom to discover the exact location of others. "Ghost mode" enables users to opt out of location tagging.

Minimum age: 13



InstaMessage

Allows you to chat privately to other people on Instagram.
Users can chat with friends or any other users. It also tells you if other users are nearby.

Minimum age: 13



Kik Messenger

An app that sends messages for free. It has no message limits and because it's an app, the texts won't show up on the phone's messaging service.

Minimum age: 13



Minecraft

A game that lets you build and create a virtual world using building blocks. Users can chat and play with other users.

Minimum age recommendation: 8 +



Whatsapp

Lets users send text messages, videos or call contacts.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Musical.ly

A social network site that allows users to share lip sync videos.
Can be set up so only friends can follow or set up publically.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Ask.fm

A question and answer based site that lets users take questions from followers then answer them.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Yik Yak

Users can post anonymously to other users in a 5 mile radius. Opinions and rumours are often spread using this app.

Minimum age recommendation: 17



Meet Me

Aimed at teenagers to help them to make friends. Also linked to the teen dating scene if two people admire each other, it will encourage them to chat.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Meow Chat

A social network that lets users chat to strangers in a public chat room. There is then the option to start private chats with people in the chat room.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Blue Whale

Linked to Instagram, this is a game that allegedly consists of tasks assigned to users during a 50 day period. The final challenge requires the player to commit suicide. In Russia 130 deaths are linked to Blue Whale.



Roblox

A gaming platform that allows users to chat to others.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Teenber

A teen dating app that allows users to search for other users between 13-19 years old.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Youtube

A gaming platform that allows users to chat to others.

Minimum age recommendation to hold an account: 13 with parental permission.



World of Warcraft

A multi-player roleplay game which users play together a battle dungeons and dragons. Plays can chat to each other using the ingame messaging service.

Minimum age recommendation: 12



Twitter

A social network that allows users to share status updates concisely. Users can build up followers.

Minimum age recommendation: 13



Facebook

The most popular social network that allows users to post status updates, wall posts and send private messages.

Minimum age recommendation: 13