

# Safely Sharing Video Content



Students watching videos at home is a key element of the flipped model. Thanks to the success of YouTube, the web is now awash with ways to share video – and it’s essential that teachers give some thought to the best way of making the videos safely available to students.

## Four things to consider when sharing your flipped videos:

1. It’s worth considering that the trusty old home computer has now given way to the smartphone in terms of how students use the internet and consume content. So it’s important that flipped videos are made available to students in a way that allows access via smartphone, tablet, or traditional web browser. The easier it is for students to access your flipped videos, the better!
2. How public should your videos be? Some teachers may be comfortable sharing their videos with the world, which is great. But others may want to share them only with students, in a more controlled way. Before you begin flipping, think carefully about how widely you’d like to share the flipped video content that you create.
3. The ability for students to comment on videos is a powerful way of encouraging them to engage with the flipped content. But the comments on some popular video sharing sites have gained notoriety for their unfriendly nature. If you’d like students to engage with your content by commenting, consider sharing your videos on a site that allows for safe student commenting, and always give your students pointers on how to comment constructively.
4. In the case of student-created flipped videos, teachers will need to check their school’s policy on sharing content featuring students. Although sharing their videos with the world can be a powerful motivator for learning, this needs to be weighed up against the safety of students – and if video is shared publicly, it should be done in a way that gives teachers control over how the content is used and shared.

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