# **FRIEND REQUESTS**

Refuse friend requests from people you do not know personally. Scammers create social media accounts using fake images to get your attention and play with your emotions.

# **INTIMATE IMAGES**

Avoid sending intimate images and videos online as you never know where they will end up and may be used on other online platforms.

## **PAYMENT DEMANDS**

Refuse demands for payments which may include gift cards and cryptocurrency. Scammers use these payment methods as they are not easily traced.

# **AVOIDING**

# SEXTORION

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Sextortion is where the scammer coerces the victim into sending sexual images of themselves only to later receive threats of sharing the images unless money or further images are sent.

# **SUPPORT**

Younger people should speak to a trusted adult for support and are encouraged to engage with family, mental health services, or other community support services.

### **REPORT**

Report the incident to the social media platform that was used and to the eSafety Commissioner at www.esafety.gov.au to remove the material.

# DON'T BLAME YOURSELF

Sextortion can be a very upsetting experience.
Seek support and just remember - THEY are the ones who are doing something wrong.

If you are the victim of a cybercrime, make a report at cyber.gov.au/report or attend your local police station.

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