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What is it?	What is it used for?	A risk for children & young people?
Facebook	Creating profiles and sharing photographs and updates	Feed can be followed. Offenders may be able to learn of common interests to potentially groom a child. Locations can be revealed
Vine	Video sharing site	Exposure to inappropriate content
Tinder	Location based dating app	GPS reveals locations. Exposure to highly sexualized conversation and imagery
Instagram	Photo and video sharing	Feed can be followed. Offenders may be able to learn of common interests to potentially groom a child
FaceTime	Video/webcam calls online and via app	Webcam feeds can be recorded or faked
Twitter	Social networking with limited characters	Trolling abuse
Grindr	Male-to-male location based dating app	GPS reveals locations. Exposure to highly sexualized conversation and imagery
Tumblr	Social networking and blog hosting	Exposure to harmful material
YouTube	Video sharing	Access to inappropriate content
Pinterest	Photo sharing	Pin boards of photos can be followed. Offenders may be able to learn of common interests to potentially groom a child
WhatsApp	Private and group messaging app	Messages can instantly be broadcast to large groups



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Skype	Video/webcam calls online and via app	Webcam feeds can be recorded or faked
Ask.fm	Anonymous question based social networking	Cyberbullying
Snapchat	Photo messaging app	Photos can be saved via screenshots and sent to others
Spotify	Music sharing	Offenders may be able to learn of common interests to potentially groom a child
Facebook Messenger	Instant messenger for Facebook friends	Unwanted contact from strangers
Moshi Monsters	Virtual gaming aimed at 6-14 year olds	Grooming
Kik kik •	Social networking messaging app	Exposure to sexualized conversation
Musical.ly	Creating and sharing short music videos	Exposure to sexual content
HER	Female-to-Female location based dating app	GPS reveals locations. Exposure to highly sexualized conversation and imagery
00V00	Video chat app allowing video chat with up to 12 people via webcam	Indecent imagery, exposure to strangers
Yovo	Send and share photos with a screenshot blocker	Screenshot blocker needs to be controlled by the user, increasing the chance of user error
YouNow	Similar to YouTube but live video streaming	Users follow each other and comment on videos meaning potential for contact with strangers



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Club Penguin		Large multiplayer online game set in a virtual world	Grooming
F*** My Life	FML	Blog posts of short, user generates stories of unfortunate happenings	Cyberbullying, trolling and abuse, unwanted contact from strangers
YikYak		Anonymous local based 'bulletin board' app	Cyberbullying
MeetMe	B	Social networking designed to meet new people	GPS reveals locations. Exposure to highly sexualized conversation and imagery

