STEP 8
Don’t confuse Facebook with an on-line dating site. The purpose of Facebook is to connect you with people you know. Making your profile public means you’re sharing your information with everyone, even though you don’t know them, a risk that you wouldn’t want to take.

STEP 9
Be careful who you friend. Don’t friend anyone out of your state/country unless you know them pretty well. Only friend people you know.

STEP 10
Before clicking on a link from Facebook, always remember to check the address bar, which should always display “www.facebook.com/” and nothing else like “www.facebook33.tk” or “www.facebook1.php”, etc.

Reference: http://www.wikihow.com/Keep-Safe-on-Facebook

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Facebook is the fastest growing social networking site in the world today with up to 250,000 new users being added every day. But sharing information has lots of risks including your name which can be accessed by others and your profile can be viewed. Anyone can get valuable information and private photos from your profile — ultimately getting you in big trouble. But Facebook itself has some structured safety procedures that all users should spend a bit of time getting to know.

Follow these step-by-step instructions to manage your Facebook security and privacy settings:

**STEP 1**
Set the Privacy settings on your profile to “Friends.”
- By doing this, you will be able to have control who has access to your information and pictures. For certain pictures, you can also select certain friends that you do or do not want them to see.

**STEP 2**
Be Aware of where you sign in from. Check that the computer that you sign in from doesn’t store your email address and password. It seems simple but often it’s easy to accidentally choose it to ‘remember you’. Make sure you have the appropriate privacy settings on your browser.

**STEP 3**
Always monitor pictures that other people put of you and tag you on. You can see the tagged pictures of you by going to your profile, click on “Photos” - you should see “Photos of You” and the number of tagged pictures. Click on that, and look through the pictures. You should be able to un-tag any unappealing photos of you, but people still have the ability to see it. Don’t hesitate for a second to “un-tag” yourself from pictures that you do not approve of. Simply click “Report/Remove Tag” under the “Options” on the bottom of the picture.

**STEP 4**
Watch out for Phishing Attacks. Over the past year, there have been many attempts to get users to give up their login and passwords by tricking them with fake emails from Facebook. Never select any emails links asking you to click to reset your password. Always go directly to Facebook - if there is a problem, Facebook will notify you on site.

**STEP 5**
Never post information regarding an upcoming vacation or trip as your status. Never post your vacation plans before you leave. You do not need to advertise when you will be away from your home. Doing so is just asking for your house to be robbed.

**STEP 6**
Avoid putting your phone number, mailing address, or your home address in your profile. Anybody can find your details and location by just typing the number in the search bar. People often use words such as pet’s names or numbers as passwords, so it is not recommended to publish them on-line.

**STEP 7**
Change your password every so often. Don’t make your password something obvious such as your birthday or mother’s maiden name. Try to have at least one capital letter, one lowercase letter, two numbers, and a symbol. The longer and more complicated the password, the safer you are from getting your account hacked.