

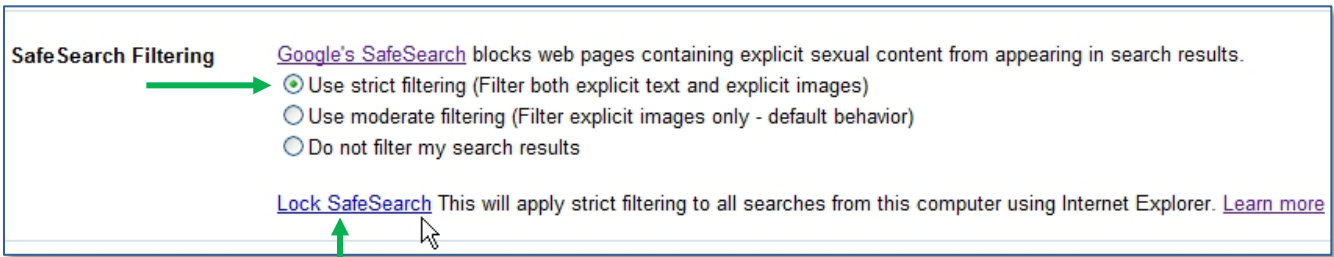


1. Open the Google homepage at www.google.co.uk and **click** on "Search Settings"



Tip
This guide assumes that you have a Gmail account.

2. The "Search settings" page will open. **Scroll down** to the "Safe Search Filtering" section and **click** on the "Use strict filtering (Filter both explicit text and explicit images)" -



next **click** on "Lock SafeSearch" to open the web page below, **sign in** by typing your Gmail email address and password as shown – then **click** on the "Sign in" button

Sign in to lock SafeSearch.

Locking SafeSearch sets SafeSearch to use strict filtering and restricts others' ability to change this preference. Strict filtering filters both explicit text and explicit images from your search results. [Learn more](#)

How do I know that SafeSearch is locked?

To indicate that SafeSearch is locked for this browser we've added colored balls to the top of all search pages. If the colored balls are not present, then SafeSearch is no longer locked.

Sign in with your **Google Account**

Email:
ex: pat@example.com

Password:

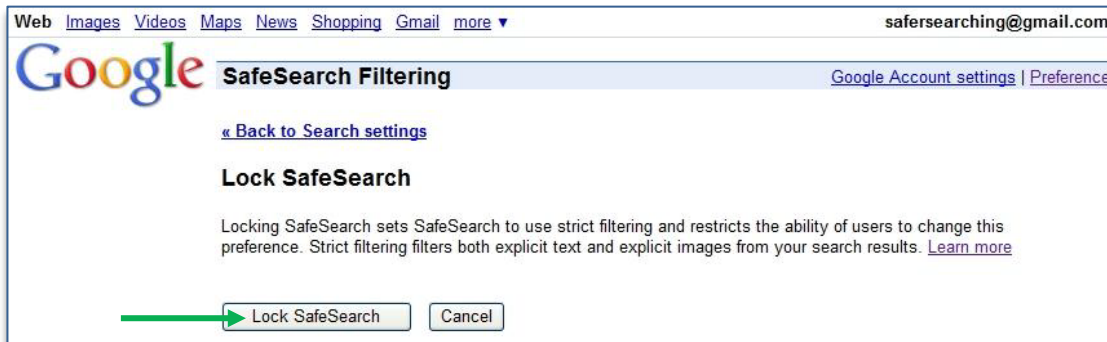
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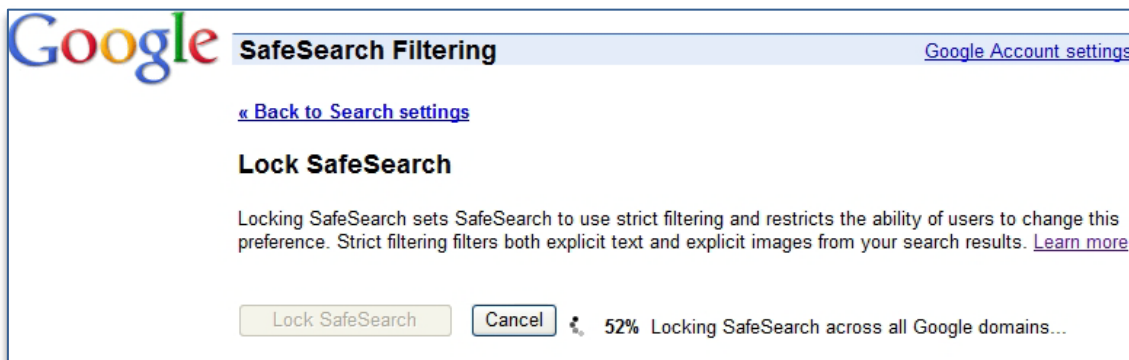
3. This web page will open, **click** on the “Lock SafeSearch” button



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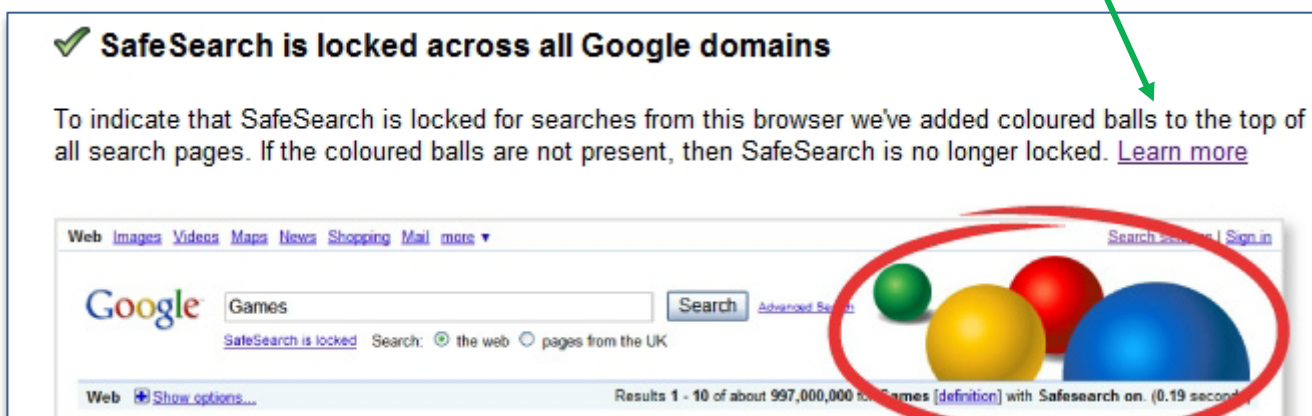
If you have a problem here, **click** on “learn more” in Google’s “SafeSearch filtering” area shown on page 1 of this guide.

4. You will see Google locking this setting on Internet Explorer (or whichever browser you are using) – it takes a few minutes



5. When the locking process is finished you will get the page below confirming that you have locked SafeSearch – Congratulations!

If you have time it is worth seeing what Google have in the “Learn more” link – there are some great videos on Family Safety.



Please remember that even with Safe Search, the internet is like a big city and there will still be some inappropriate content getting through on Google, so it is best to talk to your child about acting sensibly on the internet – especially if the computer is not in a family area.