

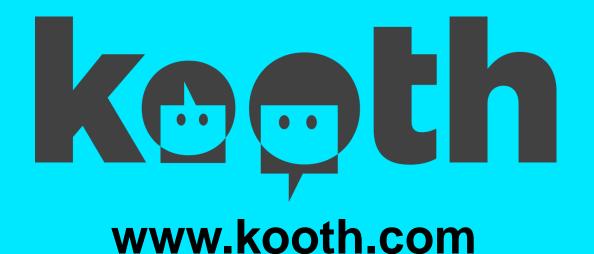
Kooth - Online counselling and well-being support service for children and young people

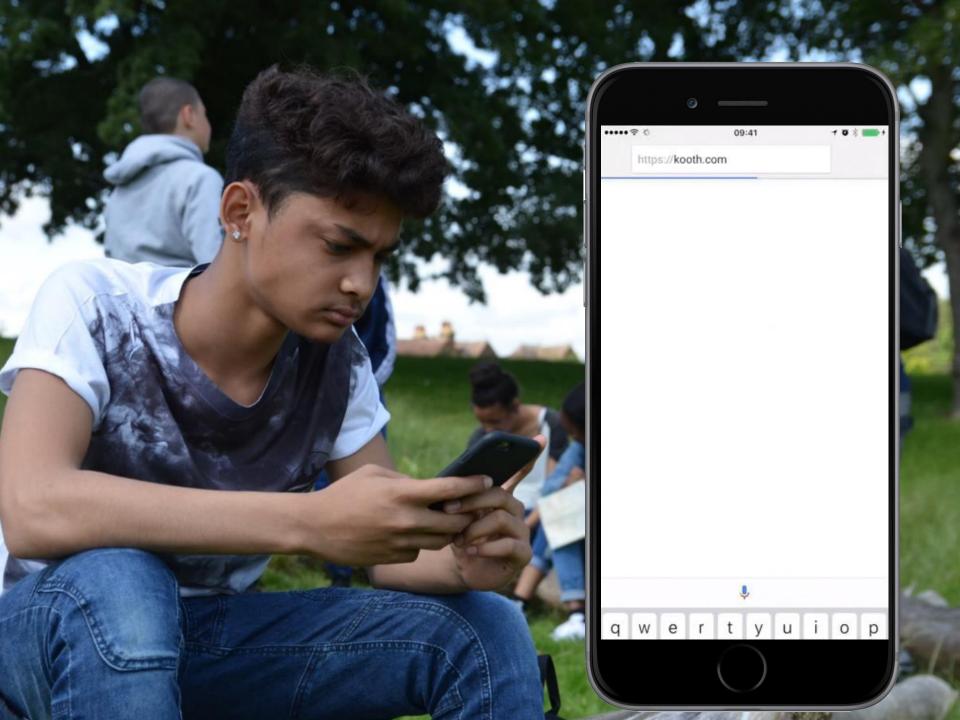


Online counselling & well-being support

- Award winning online counselling and support service
- Established in 2001
- Delivering in over 48 Local Authorities across UK
- Text based
- Counselling, support and advice
- Drop in, out of hours use as well as structured sessions
- Anonymous and confidential
- Engaging young people in their local area

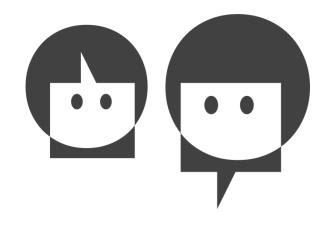






You may have problems

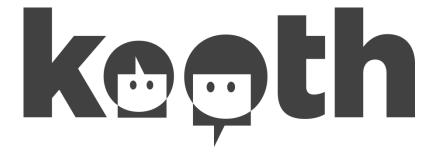
- At home
- At school
- With friends
- With relationships
- With bullies
- oIf you feel low and depressed



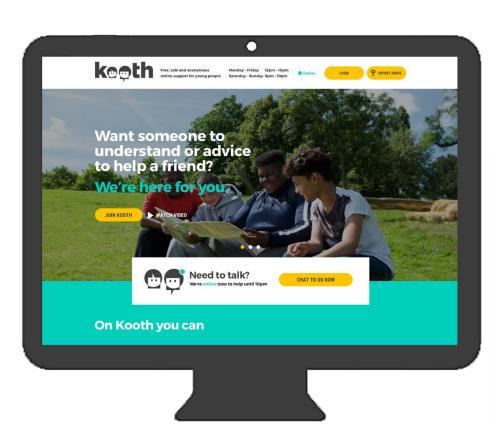
You can talk to us about anything

Kooth isn't just counselling

- Forums
- Self-help tools
- Messaging
- Articles
- Online games, blogs and more



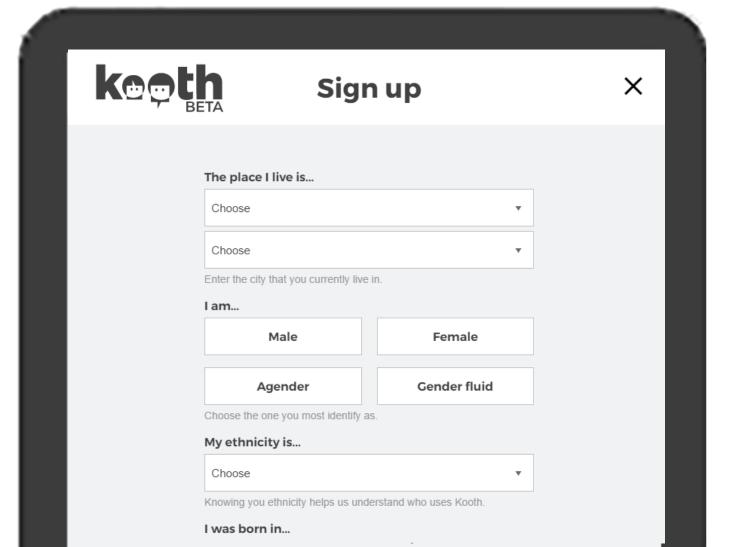
Step 1: Sign Up





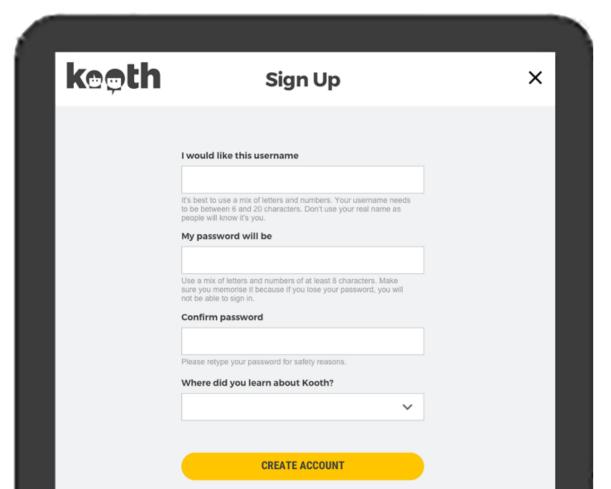


Tell us some information about yourself

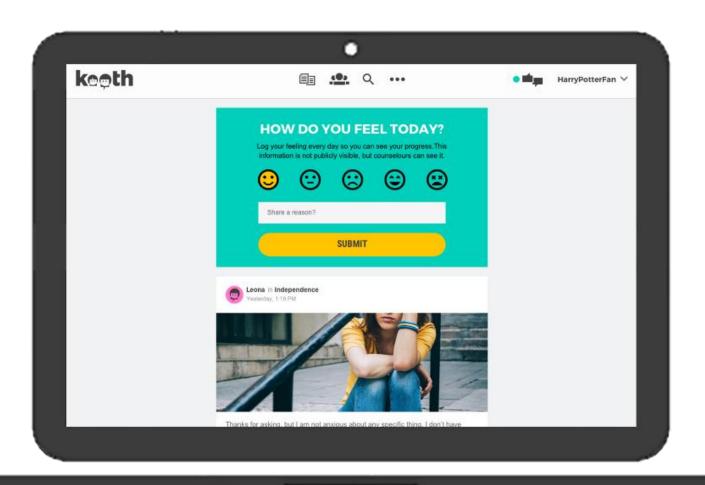


Create your username and password

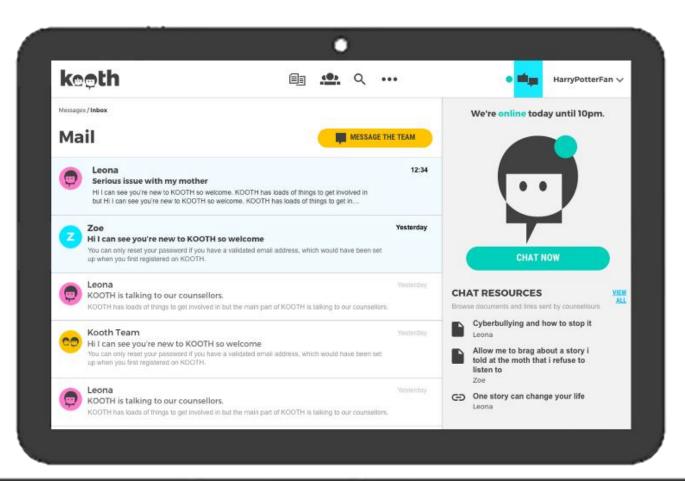
Don't use your real name!



Now you're on Kooth!



Press the green 'Chat now' button to talk to a counsellor



Remember...

 A counsellor will see you are in the queue and pick up from there

 It should be pretty quick but they might be just finishing a chat with someone else first

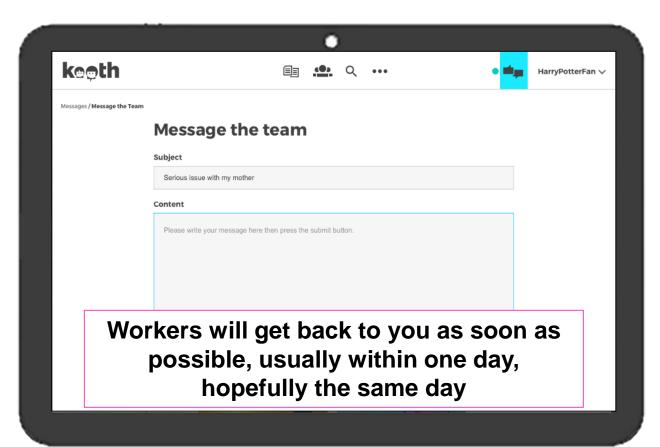
Counsellors are available from:
12 midday to 10pm Monday to Friday
6pm to 10pm at weekends

Also...

- You can access the rest of the site while you wait, check your messages etc
- A button will flash on screen when a counsellor has opened a 'room' to talk to you

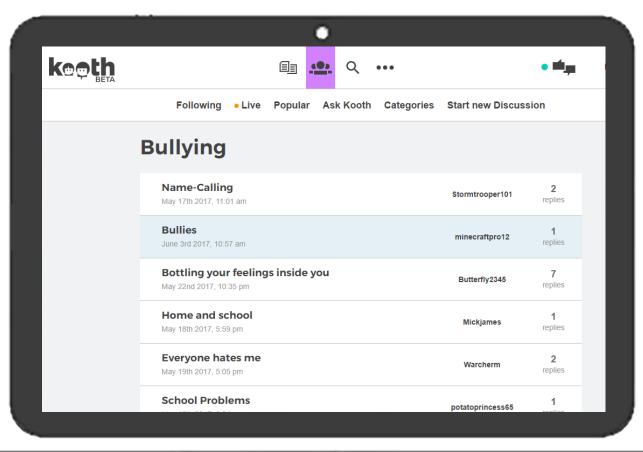
 You can also send an email message if you prefer, either to the team or to a specific counsellor

Send a message to a counsellor



Forums

To help other young people or to get advice yourself



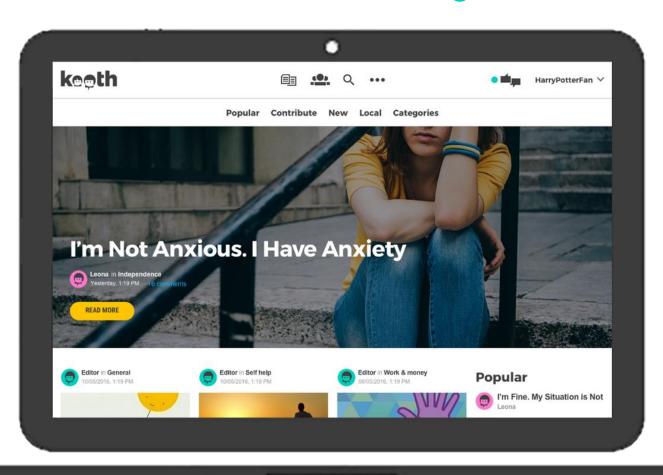
Live Forums

We have live forums every Mon, Wed and Fri from 7.30-9:00pm

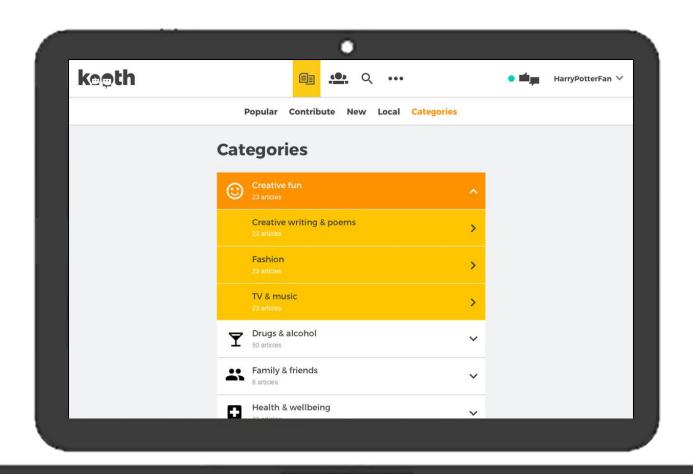
- Every live forum is completely different and has a different theme
- You can participate in as many forums as you want
- All forums are hosted and moderated in the moment by our Kooth staff

Articles

You can write for the magazine too!

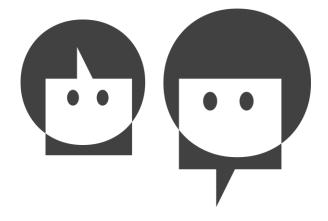


Lots of info and topics



Kooth is safe

- Everything is moderated and confidential
- No personal details or real names
- All the counsellors are trained, qualified and are used to working with young people
- If you needed, we would talk to you about faceto-face services as well as talking to us online



Why online?

- Young people tell us they like Kooth because it is:
 - anonymous, confidential, accessible and that they have control
- Reduces barriers for them, enabling earlier intervention by us
- It is cost effective
- It's a medium that young people know and use



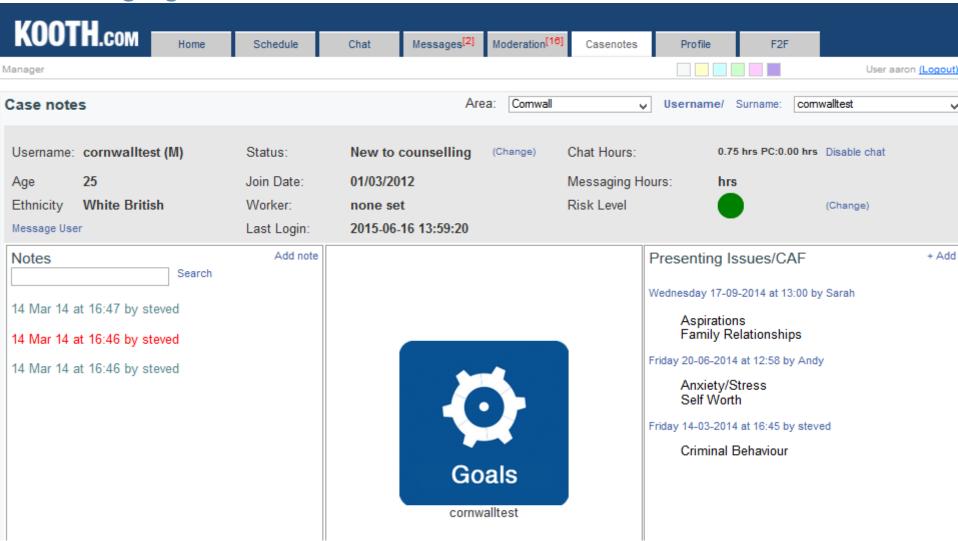
The value of online relationships

- Anonymity
- Rapport
- Presence
- Openness (disinhibition effect)
- Using communication skills differently

"It's been a lot easier talking this way than if it were face to face, I don't know if I would have been able to say what I've wrote."



Managing risk on Kooth





Signposting

Pathways

View Policies

Write Policies

Write Pathways

Wirral Safeguarding Children Board

Child Protection	Out of Hours	Vulnerable Adults
Unborn – 18 [LAC older – depends on whether they were 16 yrs when entered Care] 0151 606 2006 M – F 9am – 5pm For informal discussions and nformation Central Advice and Duty Team 0151 606 2565 Can use this number for consultation/advice without giving details In cases of Suicide, imminent and mmediate danger - EMERGENCY SERVICES 999	Emergency Duty Team - both Child and Adult 0151 677 6557 M - F 5pm - 9am, weekends, and Bank holidays Out of Hours GP - Client can contact direct if feeling suicidal and need crisis team support - 0151 6788496 In cases of Suicide, imminent and immediate danger - EMERGENCY SERVICES 999	Need to fill in AP1 form - ring number for copy

Tier 0	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3		
0 Armistead Centre0	Al Anon T1-T3 Borderline Personality Disorder	Narcotics Anoymous (NA) RESPONSE	Cahms consultaion Talking Changes T2, T3		
Childline	world 0	Tranmere Community Project0			
Cruse Bereavement Care0	MEND0	Zero Centre			
NHS.UK0	Wirral Brook				
Rape, sexual assault and sexual abuse service T1-T3	Wirral Police 0				





