

What is Prevent?

Prevent is one of four strands of the government's counter-terrorism strategy, known as Contest. It was created by the Labour government in 2003 and its remit was widened by the coalition government in 2011. The other strands are Prepare, Protect and Pursue.

Prevent is designed to support people at risk of joining extremist groups and carrying out terrorist activities. In practice, it aims for police and other organisations, including schools, to build relations across the UK and requires faith leaders, teachers, doctors and others to refer any suspicions about people to a local Prevent body. An assessment is then made about whether further action is needed.

For further information, we encourage you to visit the 'Educate Against Hate' website <http://educateagainsthate.com/>

The purpose of the website is to provide practical advice and support to help all individuals with an interest in keeping children safe from the dangers of extremism. The site has been created by the Department for Education and the Home Office, and is fully endorsed by the Department for Education, the Home Office, Childnet, Internetmatter.org, UK Safer Internet Centre, The Parent Zone and the NSPCC. Please click on these links to visit their websites.

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