

NSPCC

If you're worried a young person you know has joined,
or is at risk from, a gang we can help.

We're here 24/7 to offer advice, support and information.
It's free to contact us and you don't have to say who you are.

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EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

Photography by Tom Hull. The child pictured is a model. ©2015 NSPCC.
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A close-up photograph of a young boy's face, showing his eyes, nose, and mouth. He has dark hair and freckles. A dark grey rectangular text box is superimposed over the middle of his face, containing white text.

**HE JOINED A GANG AND
CAN'T SEE A WAY OUT.**



**Young people join gangs
for lots of reasons –**

Excitement.

Protection.

Fear.

But they can quickly get in too deep. They may be pressured – or forced – into having sex with gang members, or committing crimes such as stealing, and holding weapons or drugs.

**Are you worried about
a young person? We can help.**

Are they spending time with people you're unsure about? Do they go missing from home or school? Do they have new clothes or other things you think they can't afford?

If it's any of these – or there's just something that doesn't feel right – we can advise on whether it sounds like they're at risk. Together we can work out what to do next.