



Android Bark Activation

Step 1. Account set up email will come from Bark Subscription confirmation.

Click “set up my account”. This will launch the Bark home screen where you will be prompted to add your children and the devices you are wanting to monitor.



Hey there!

I'm Brandon Hilkert, CTO here at Bark, and I'd like to thank you for entrusting us to help keep your child safe online. It means a lot, and we take this responsibility seriously.

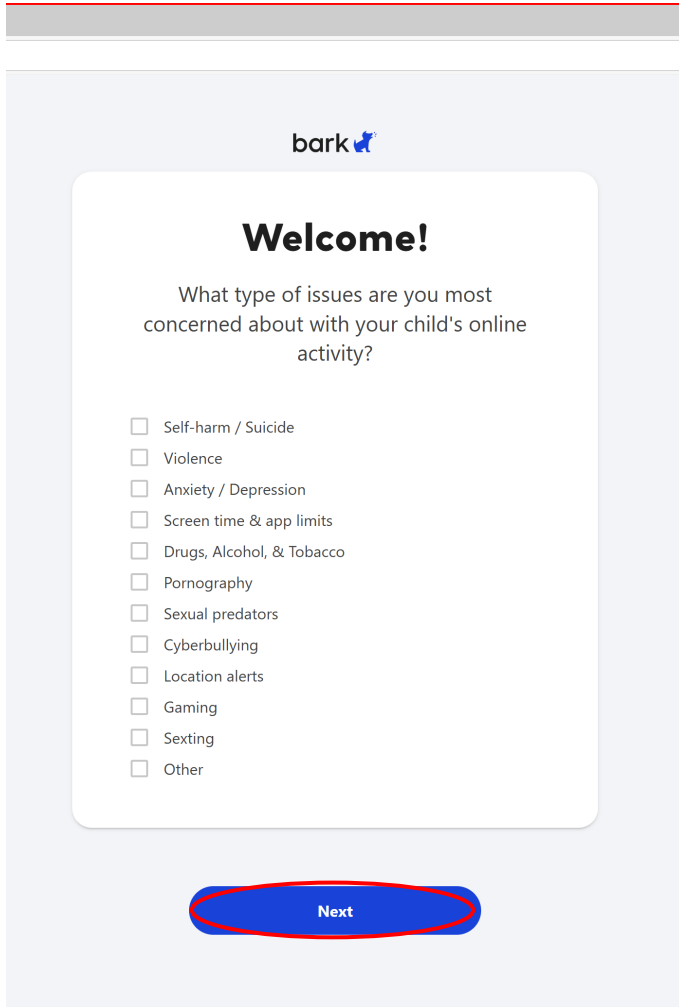
As a Cellcom customer, you're taking advantage of an exclusive offer that includes Bark's award-winning parental controls service. Our partnership aims to bring a digital safety net to all families so parents can rest easier when their kids are using their devices. To get started, click the button below:

Set up my account

Bark is dedicated to helping kids stay safe online and in real life, and we look forward to joining our family.

Sincerely,
Brandon Hilkert
CTO

Step 2. Once Welcome page opens on your browser, select as many issues as possible you are concerned about with your child's online activity.

A screenshot of the Bark app's Welcome page. At the top, the Bark logo is displayed. Below it, the heading "Welcome!" is centered. The main text asks, "What type of issues are you most concerned about with your child's online activity?". A list of 13 issues follows, each with an unchecked checkbox: Self-harm / Suicide, Violence, Anxiety / Depression, Screen time & app limits, Drugs, Alcohol, & Tobacco, Pornography, Sexual predators, Cyberbullying, Location alerts, Gaming, Sexting, and Other. At the bottom, a blue "Next" button is highlighted with a red oval.

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Welcome!


What type of issues are you most concerned about with your child's online activity?

- ☐ Self-harm / Suicide
- ☐ Violence
- ☐ Anxiety / Depression
- ☐ Screen time & app limits
- ☐ Drugs, Alcohol, & Tobacco
- ☐ Pornography
- ☐ Sexual predators
- ☐ Cyberbullying
- ☐ Location alerts
- ☐ Gaming
- ☐ Sexting
- ☐ Other

Next

After checking your concerns Click “Next”

Step 3. Create your child's Bark profile, First name or nickname, Birth Month and Year. Click "Create profile" Your Bark subscription includes unlimited devices and child profiles to be created.



Create your child's Bark profile


First name (or nickname)

Birthday


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[Why do you need to know my child's age?](#)

 Your child's privacy is our number one priority and any information gathered is secure

Create profile



Andrew has been added



Andrew

You can protect your entire family with Bark. Do you want to add another child right now?

Add another child

Done adding children

Step 4. After creating all child profiles, you need, you will be asked what devices your first child profile uses. Select all devices you would like covered.

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What devices does Andrew use?

Bark will monitor text messages (iOS and Android), photos, videos, and web browsing on your child's device.

☐ iPhone, iPad, or iPod

☒ Android phone or tablet

☐ Amazon Fire

☐ Chromebook

☐ Computer / Laptop

☐ Gaming console

Next

Click “Next”

Step 5. After selecting the devices your first child profile uses, you will be asked what email accounts this profile uses. Please select all that apply.

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Does Andrew have an email account?

Bark will monitor your child's sent and received emails, including attachments.

☐ Gmail

☐ iCloud

☐ Outlook

☐ Yahoo

☐ Aol. Aol

☐ Comcast

Next

None of these

Click “Next” or “None of these”

Step 6. After entering the email information your first child profile uses, you will be asked what apps this profile uses. Please select all that apply.

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What apps does Andrew use?

Click here for a detailed description of what Bark monitors on each account

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Instagram

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Snapchat

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Band

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YouTube

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Twitter/X

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Spotify

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Discord

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Skype

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Kik

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WhatsApp

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Messenger Kids

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Tik Tok

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Steam

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VSCO

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Clash of Clans

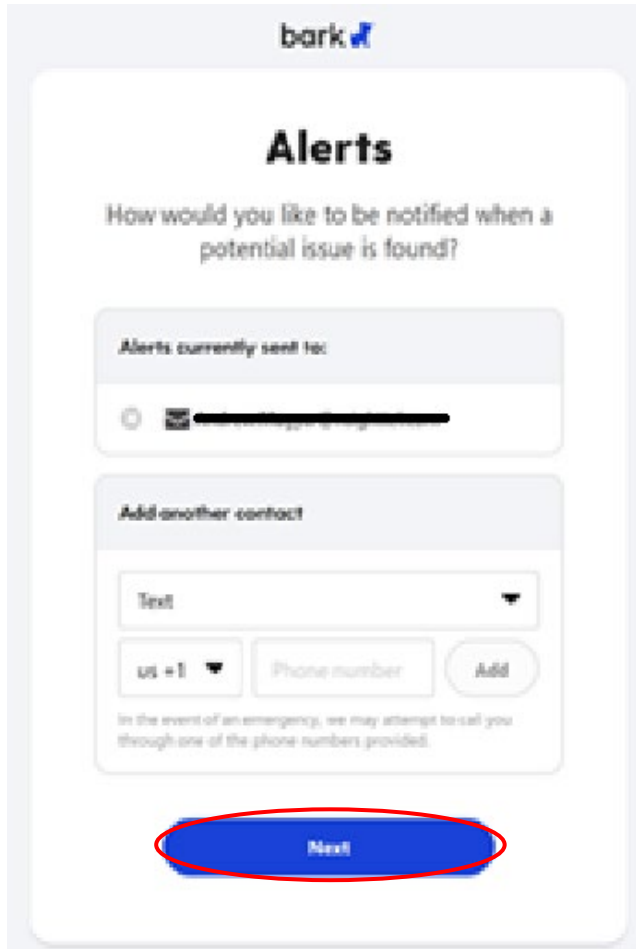
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Fortnite

Next

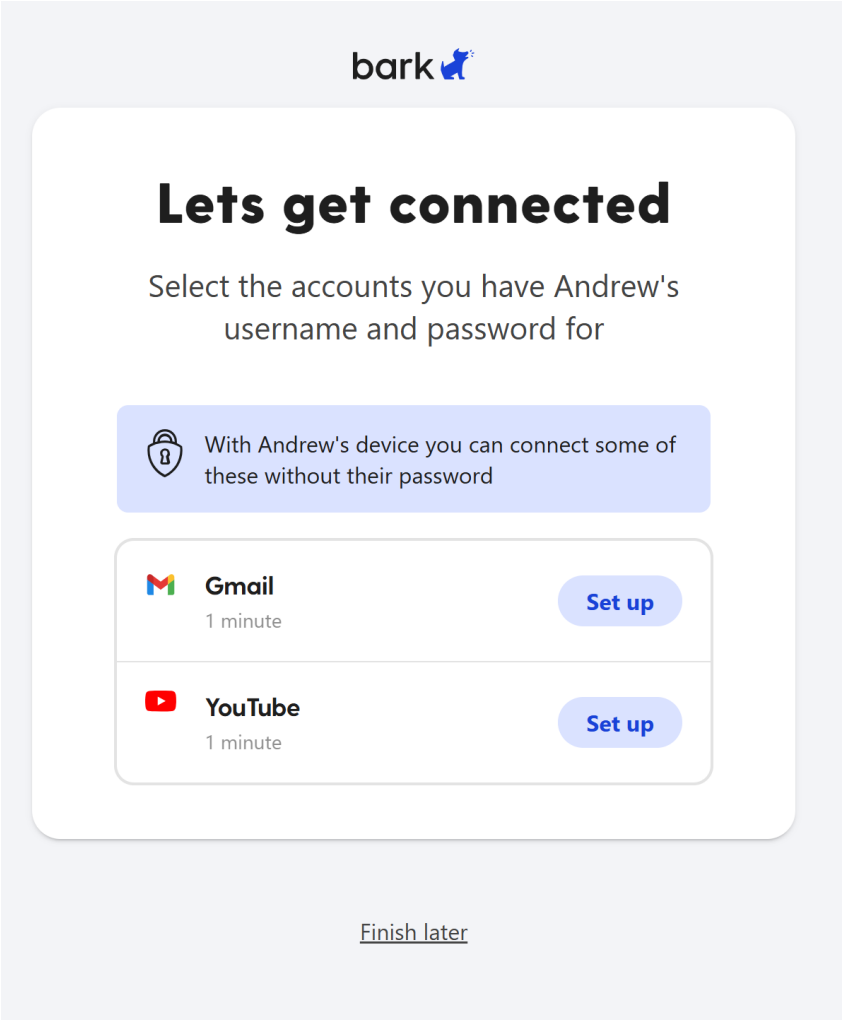
Click “Next”

Step 7. After selecting all the apps you would like monitored on your first child profile, you will be asked where you would like alerts sent. Add as many text and email you would like to be notified for alerts by adding email or phone numbers to the Add another contact section and clicking “Add”.

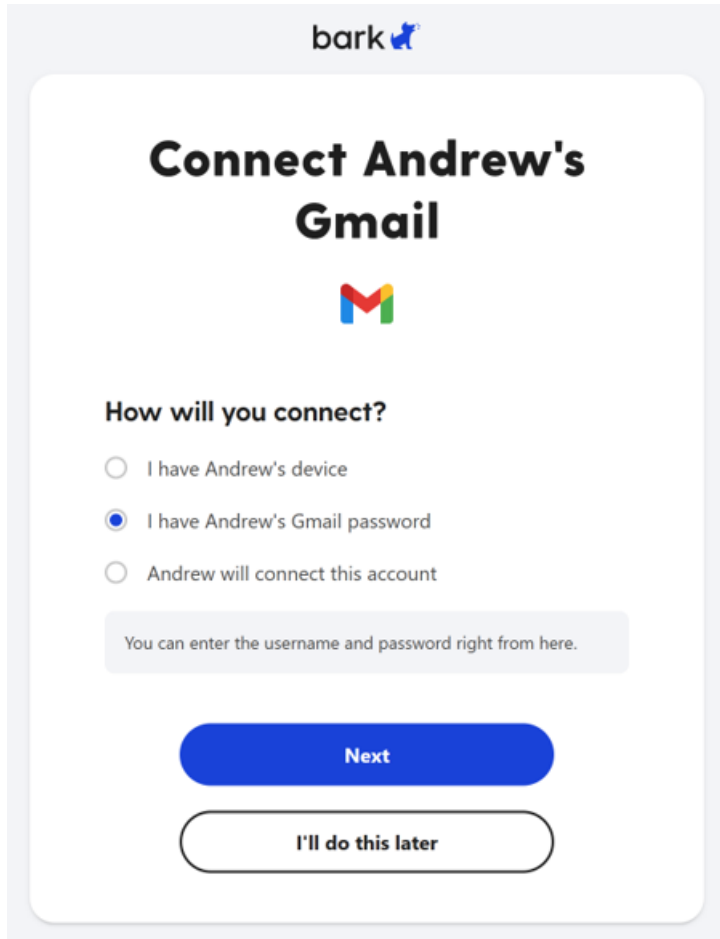
The image shows a mobile app interface for Bark. At the top is the 'bark' logo with a blue checkmark. Below it is the title 'Alerts' in bold. A subtitle asks, 'How would you like to be notified when a potential issue is found?'. There are two main sections. The first, 'Alerts currently sent to:', shows a radio button selected next to an email address (partially redacted). The second, 'Add another contact', contains a dropdown menu set to 'Text', a field for 'us +1' with a dropdown, a 'Phone number' field, and an 'Add' button. A small disclaimer at the bottom of this section states: 'In the event of an emergency, we may attempt to call you through one of the phone numbers provided.' At the very bottom of the screen is a large blue oval button with the word 'Next' in white, which is circled in red.

Click “Next”

Step 8. After selecting all alert methods, you will be prompted to set up all your first child profile emails and applications.

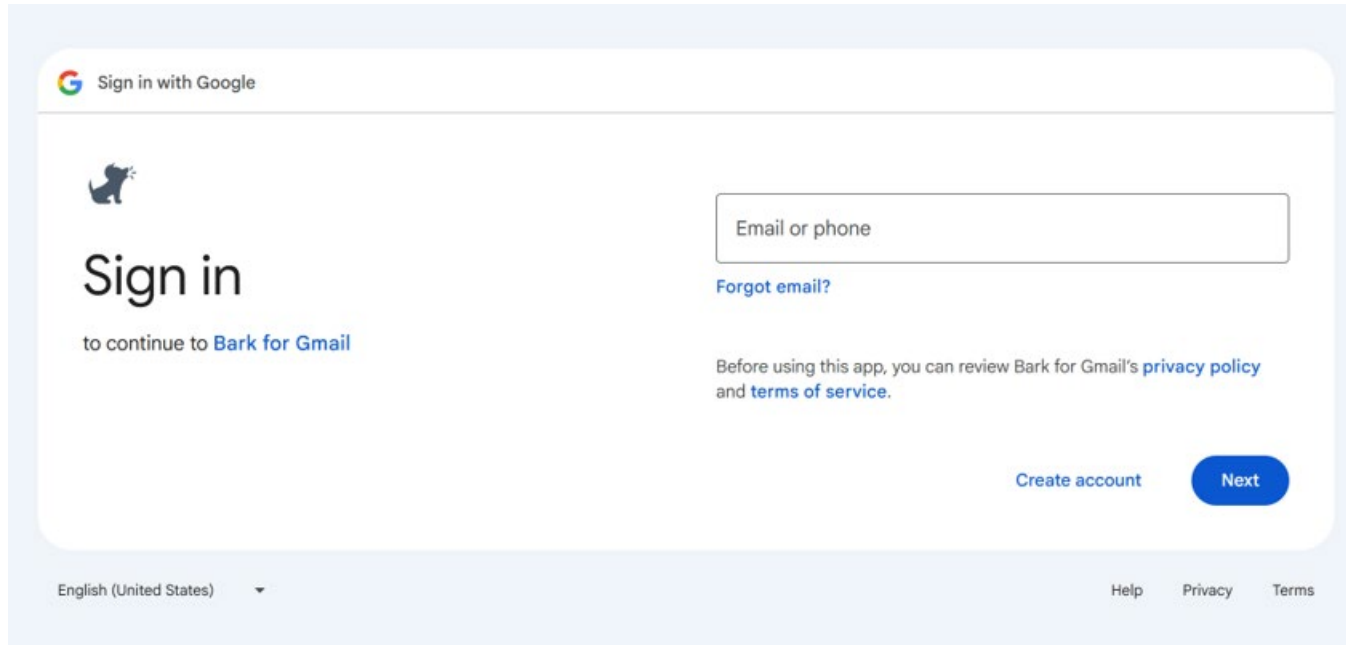


Step 9. If at any point during the set-up process you do not have login information you can choose “I’ll do this later” when you have access to the information. When connecting to the accounts, you have the option to connect with the device, the password, or the child connecting to the account.

The image shows a screenshot of the Bark app's account connection screen. At the top, the 'bark' logo is visible. The main heading is 'Connect Andrew's Gmail', followed by the Gmail logo. Below this, the question 'How will you connect?' is posed. There are three radio button options: 'I have Andrew's device', 'I have Andrew's Gmail password' (which is selected), and 'Andrew will connect this account'. A light blue box contains the text 'You can enter the username and password right from here.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: a blue 'Next' button and a white 'I'll do this later' button with a black border.

Click “Next” or “I’ll do this later”

Step 10. If connecting with the child's password. The below Sign in screen will appear - Enter the child's email address followed by the password.

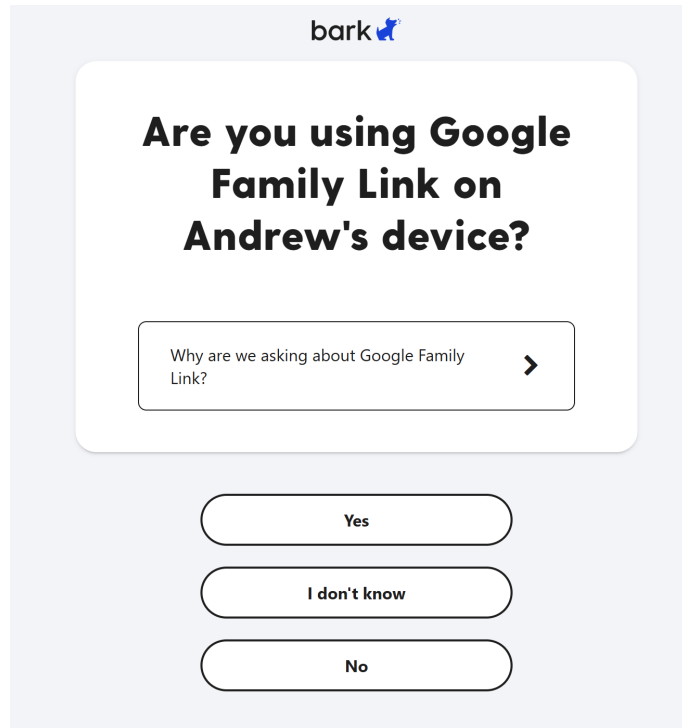


The image shows a sign-in screen for 'Bark for Gmail'. At the top left, there is a Google logo and the text 'Sign in with Google'. Below this, on the left, is a small dog icon and the text 'Sign in' followed by 'to continue to [Bark for Gmail](#)'. On the right, there is a text input field labeled 'Email or phone'. Below the input field is a link that says 'Forgot email?'. Further down, there is a line of text: 'Before using this app, you can review Bark for Gmail's [privacy policy](#) and [terms of service](#).' At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Create account' and a blue 'Next' button. At the very bottom of the screen, there is a footer with 'English (United States)' on the left and 'Help', 'Privacy', and 'Terms' on the right.

Click “Next”

Step 11. Once logged into your child's accounts – you will be asked if you are using Google Family Link on the child's device, which is okay, you just will need to make an adjustment on your family link parent app > controls > tap on their device > allow apps from unknown sources.

Make sure add or remove users and developer mode are both off. If you use Google Family Link time limits – set bark kids app (sometimes referred to as bark for chrome book) to always allow.



The screenshot shows the Bark app interface. At the top, the 'bark' logo is visible. The main question is 'Are you using Google Family Link on Andrew's device?'. Below this question is a link that says 'Why are we asking about Google Family Link?' with a right-pointing chevron. At the bottom, there are three rounded rectangular buttons: 'Yes', 'I don't know', and 'No'.

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Are you using Google Family Link on Andrew's device?

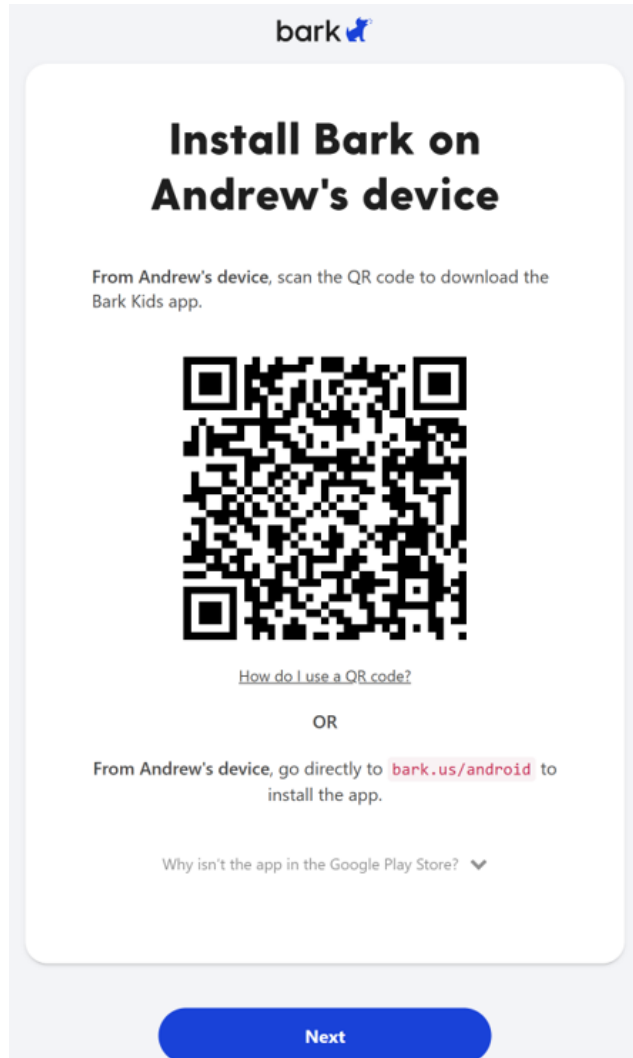
Why are we asking about Google Family Link? >

Yes

I don't know

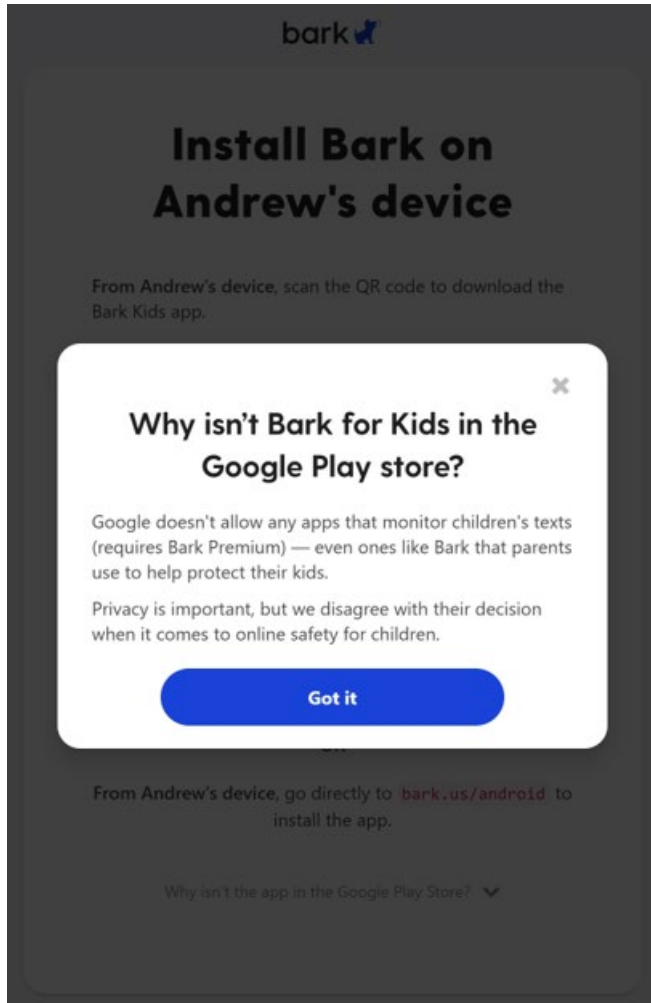
No

Step 12. A QR code will generate on the screen, and you will just need to scan the QR code with the child's device to begin to download the Bark Kids app on their device.



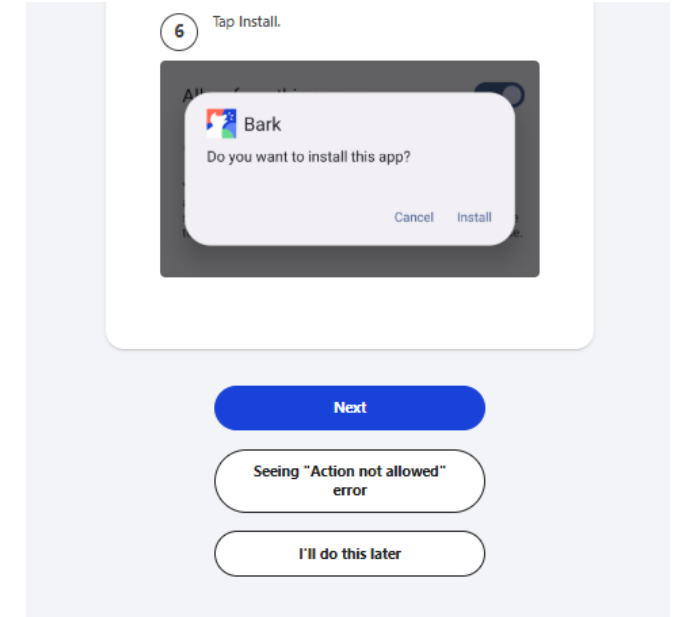
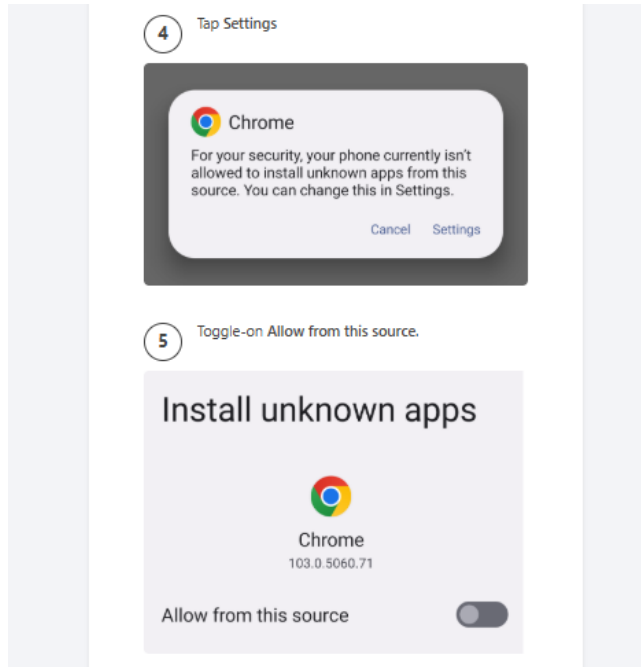
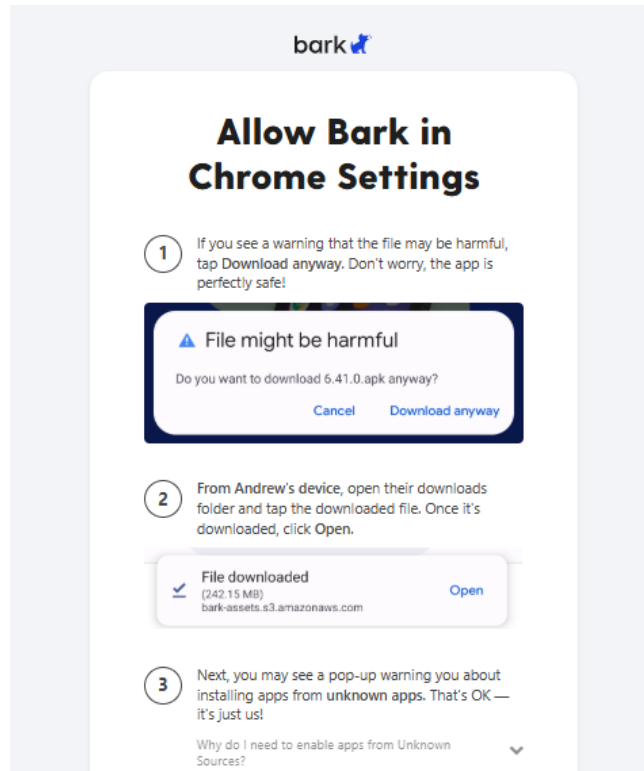
When you have scanned the QR code click “Next”

Step 13. A prompt may appear on the screen that states – Why isn't Bark for Kids in the Google Play store?



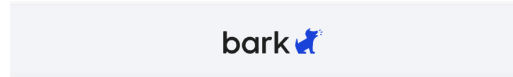
After reading the prompt click “Got it”

Step 14. The next screen that will pop up will warn you that the file may be harmful, which it is not, it is perfectly safe – Click download anyway. On the child's device you will need to go into their downloaded files>Click the downloaded file>Click open. Follow the Chrome prompts and tap Install Bark app.



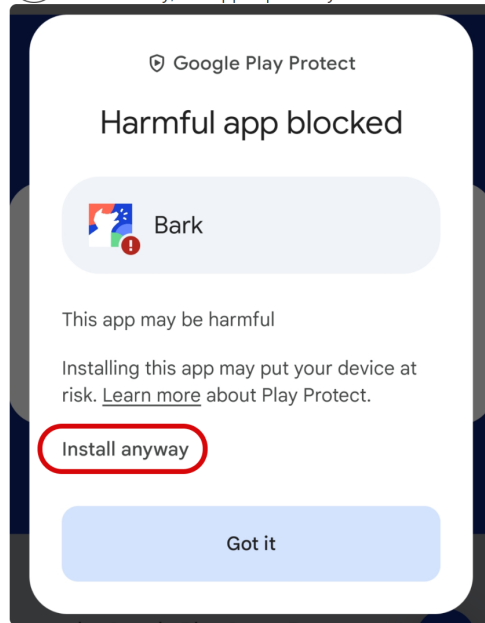
After reading the steps click “Next”

Step 15. A prompt may appear on your device that states – Harmful app blocked. The Bark app is perfectly safe.



Allow Bark in Chrome Settings

1 Next, you may see "Harmful app blocked", but don't worry, the app is perfectly safe.



2 Tap More details and then tap Install anyway.

Click “Install anyway” and “Got it” on the screen


Step 16. You will next be asked to verify the child’s device. On the child’s device click the Bark for Kids app and enter the secure device code that popped up on the parent device.

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Verify Andrew's device

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On your child's phone, open the newly downloaded Bark for Kids app.



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Enter this secure device code:

291861

This code can be used once

...generating a new code in 5 minutes

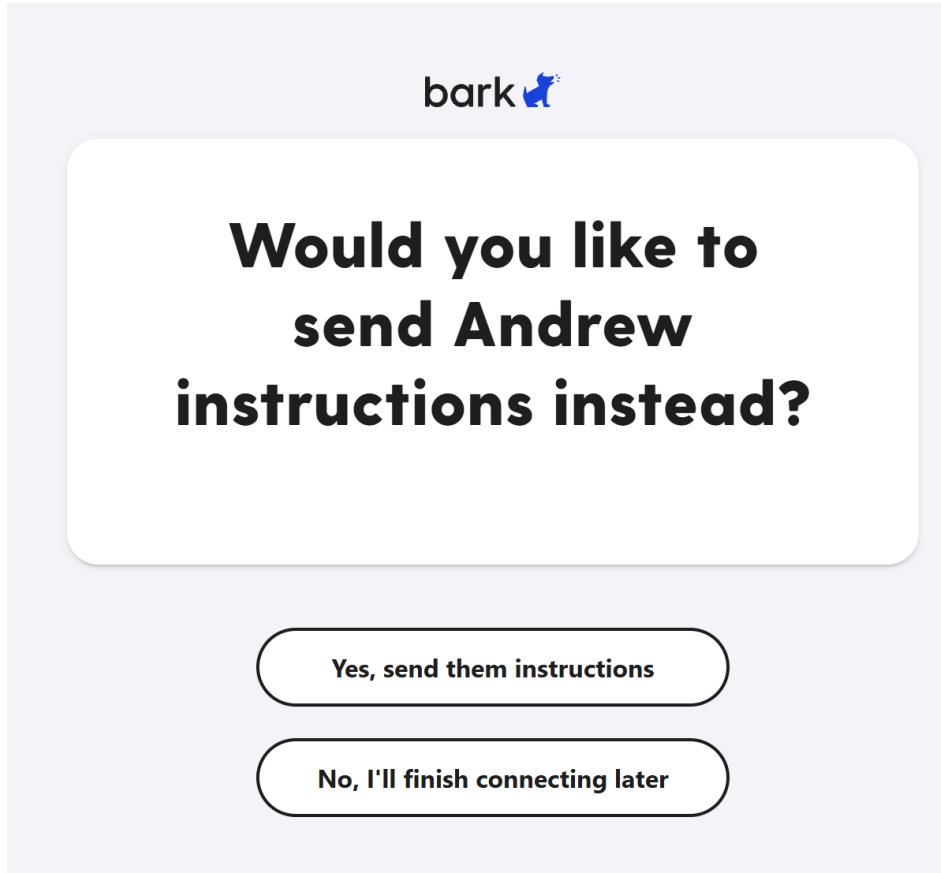
I've entered the code

I'll do this later

Click “I’ve entered the code” to move to the next step.

Step 17. The next step in the process will ask if you would like to send the child instructions instead. The instructions are for setting up the Bark Kids app.

Select which option you would like to move forward with.

A screenshot of the Bark Kids app setup interface. At the top, the 'bark' logo is displayed in blue. Below it, a white rounded rectangle contains the question 'Would you like to send Andrew instructions instead?' in bold black text. At the bottom of the screen, there are two rounded rectangular buttons with black outlines. The top button contains the text 'Yes, send them instructions' and the bottom button contains the text 'No, I'll finish connecting later'.

They will need to open the Bark Kids app on their device and enter a device code that you generate from your parent dashboard.

During the setup of the Bark Kids app, your child may be asked to grant permissions for Bark to access their location, contacts, media, and other device functionalities.

Depending on the selected connection method, your child might be involved in connecting their social media and email accounts during the setup process.