



**Stay Safe  
this  
Spring and Summer**

# Water Safety

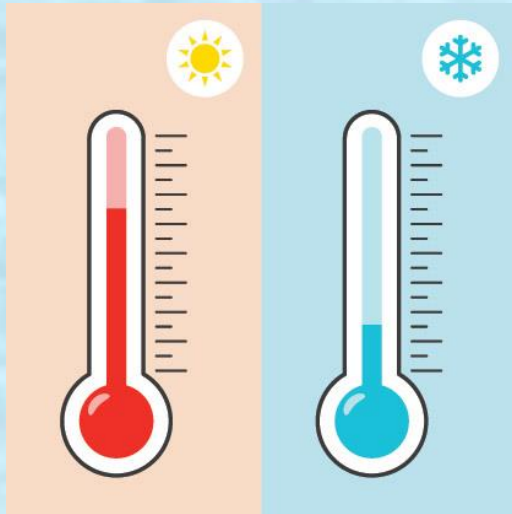


# During Spring and Summer...

As temperatures start to rise you and your friends might be tempted to cool off with a swim in the local river, lake, canal or reservoir.

Each year, we attend a number of incidents where people have got themselves into difficulty after getting into open water.

# Dangers



**The water is a lot colder than you think**



**No lifeguard if you get into trouble**



**It may be so deep, you might not get out**

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**The strong currents underwater could pull you under - even if you are a good swimmer**

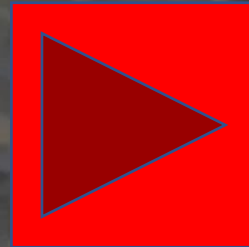


**The water isn't clean, which can cause you to get very ill**

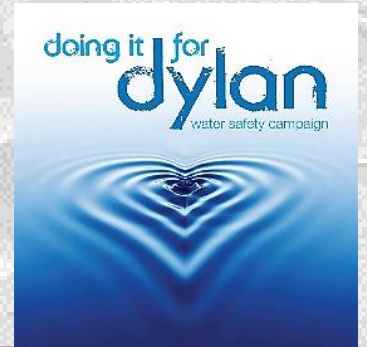


**Underwater there could be rubbish, weeds or other items that could injure you or affect your ability to swim**

# Anti-Social Behaviour Footage



# Dylan Ramsay



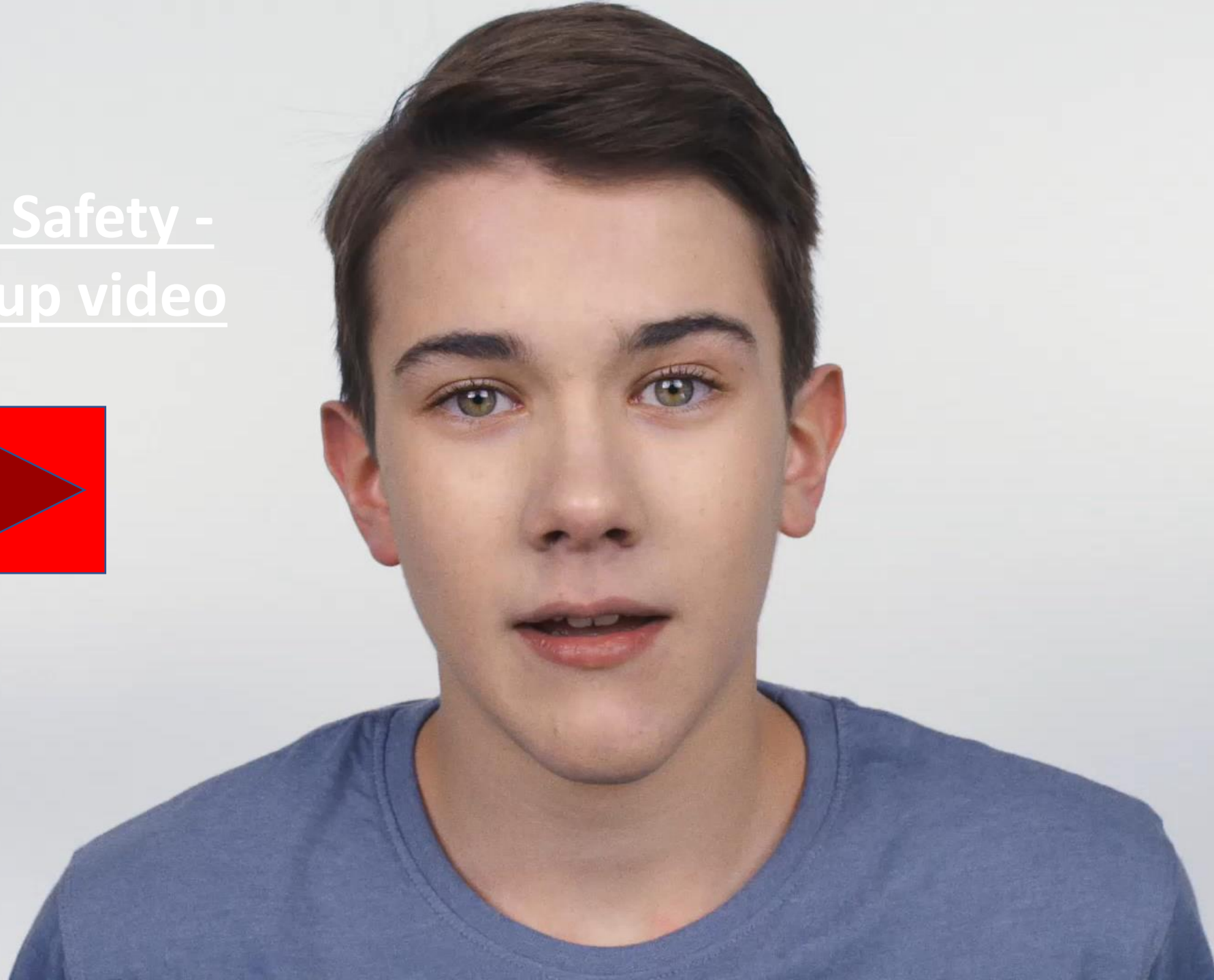
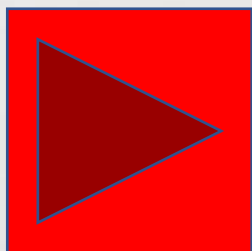
Dylan sadly drowned after swimming in a quarry near his home with two friends. Dylan had swum there many times.

Even though he was the strongest swimmer in his school, the water was so cold it caused his muscles to stop working and he couldn't keep his head above water.

He was only 13 years old and his family still miss him every day.



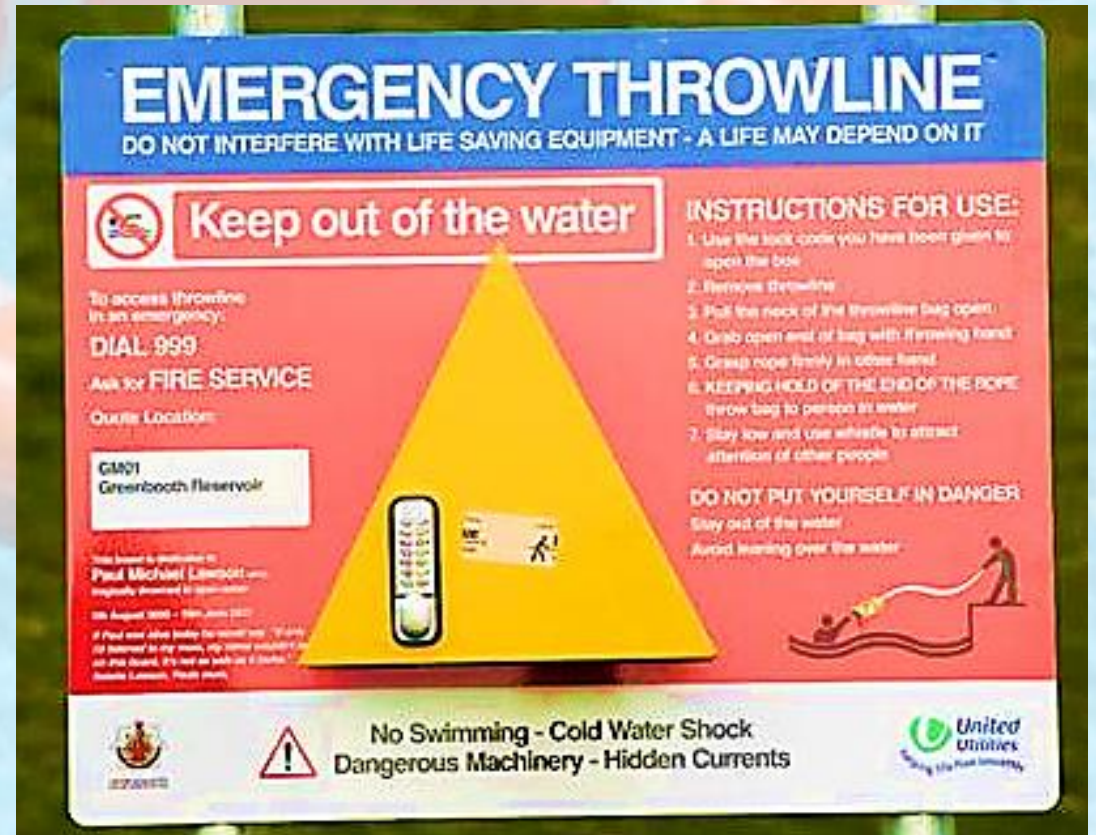
Water Safety -  
Filling up video





# Throwline Boards

- Greenbooth Reservoir
- Dovestone Reservoir
- Audenshaw Reservoir
- Gorton Reservoir
- High Rid Reservoir
- Hollingworth Lake
- Rochdale Canal, Middleton
- City Centre Canals



# Water Safety Questions

A lifebuoy with orange and white segments is floating in clear blue water. The lifebuoy is positioned in the center-right of the frame, with its top edge slightly above the water line. The water has a textured, rippling surface.

**1. Why is it dangerous to enter or swim in open water?**

**2. What should you do if you see someone in difficulty?**

**3. It is important to know where you are should you need to call 999. What information could you give to the operator?**

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