Vocabulary privacy on the Internet

surveiller: **to watch, to monitor, to spy on**

étudier de près, observer, surveiller: **to scrutinize**

être surveillé: **to be under scrutiny**

CCTV camera, surveillance camera

mass surveillance: surveillance de masse

sb's **whereabouts:** les faits et gestes, les allées et venues de qq'un

traquer: **to track, to track down**

Big Brother: the elusive dictator in 1984. A dystopic novel (written by George Orwell in 1949) in which the population is under the scrutiny of ubiquitous cameras and spying nieghbours. The slogan "Big Brother is Watching You" was posted everywhere to threaten the population.

Big Brother Watch is a British association: Its motto is "Defending civil liberties, protecting privacy". Wants to "watch the watchers", that is to say mostly the authorities. It fights against CCTV cameras invading the public space, against DNA databases being held by the police authorities, etc.

a whistleblower: un lanceur d'alertes (like Edward Snowden, Bradley Manning who denounced the USA's mass surveillance practices)

to flag: signaler to flag an abuse, a misdemeanour, illegal practices...
to denounce: dénoncer
safeguards: garde-fous, garanties   (to st up safeguards against privacy breaches
"the right to be forgotten": le droit à l'oubli
public/general outcry: tollé général   (when we first learned that Facebook sold its data to other sites, there **was an outcry**/it **sparked an outcry**)

facial recognition software: *logiciel de reconnaissance faciale*

Big data: a collection of data sets (held, notably, by such internet giants/big names as Amazon, ebay, Facebook) that are so big they are hard to handle but whose sheer size could be a gold mine if proprely analysed. The term big data is also short for **big data analysis**.

to collect data: *collecter des données*

a brick-and-mortar store: *un magasin "en dur", réel* (≠ a pure player for online shopping)

a brick-and-mortar university: université "en dur", réelle (≠open university equivalent of the French CNED or ≠ MOOCs= Massive Open Online Courses)

to crunch numbers: traiter des données chiffrées rapidement

paramètres (paramètres d'un compte): **settings**

un compte: **an account**