

A person is sitting at a desk, typing on a laptop. A cat is sitting on their lap. The background is a blurred indoor setting. The image has a purple tint.

How to protect yourself and your small business when working from home

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Canada's leading corporate domain registrar. For over 20 years now, we've helped Canadian professionals, small businesses and corporations secure their identities online.



The domain registry that manages .CA domains, CIRA is a not for profit that supports and protects Canada's internet.



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PRODUCT MARKETER,
CIRA

.CA

2.8 million .CA domains
with 100% uptime.

Cybersecurity Services

1.8 million Canadians
protected by D-Zone
DNS Firewall

Registry Services

11% of country TLDs
use our DNS services

We support initiatives that enhance Canadians' internet experience:

Global Internet Leadership

Support internet governance and standards through global organizations such as ICANN and CENTR

Canadian Initiatives

- **12** Internet Exchange Points nation-wide
- **120,000+** internet performance tests conducted last year

Community Initiatives

More than **\$6.7 million** in grants to **151** projects through our Community Investment Program

What're we talking about today?

- Why cybersecurity matters, even for families and households
- What cybersecurity risks come with WFH and COVID-19
- Simple tips to protect yourself (or your employees) at home
- Some freebies to take with you

Cyber attacks aren't just for big businesses



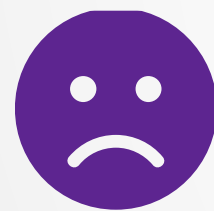
**You can lose access to
your accounts**



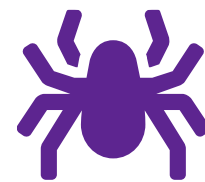
**Your identity can be
leaked or stolen**



**Your money can
be stolen**



**Your reputation
can be hurt**



**Your devices can be
held for ransom**



**Your devices can
compromise others**



COVID-19 threats

Dedicated cyber attacks related to or taking advantage of COVID-19



Remote work threats

General risks that are new, or are amplified, by working from home

COVID-19 cyber threats



Amplified attacks on critical infrastructure



Businesses going online for first time



People are psychologically compromised



Malicious websites and domains



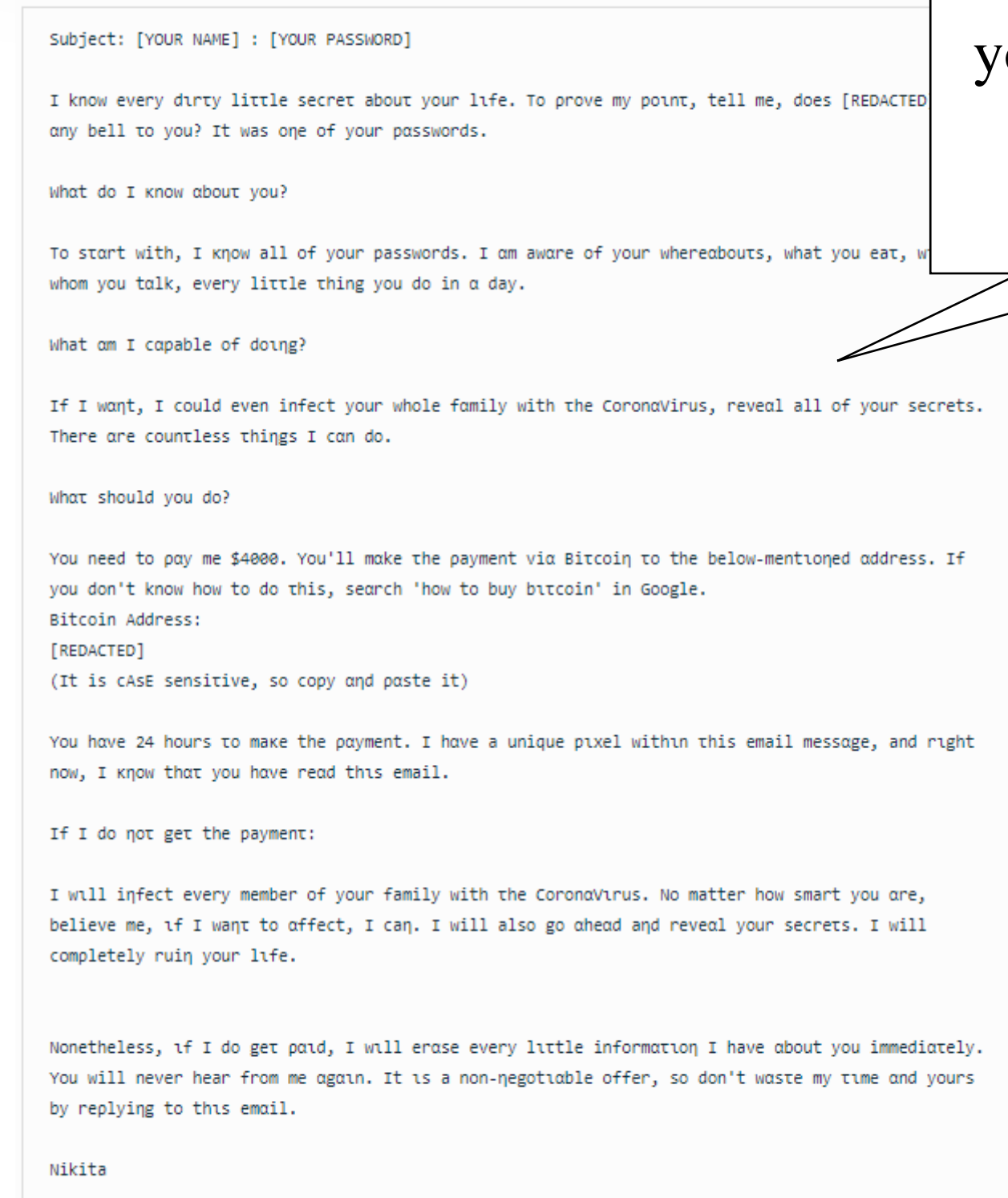
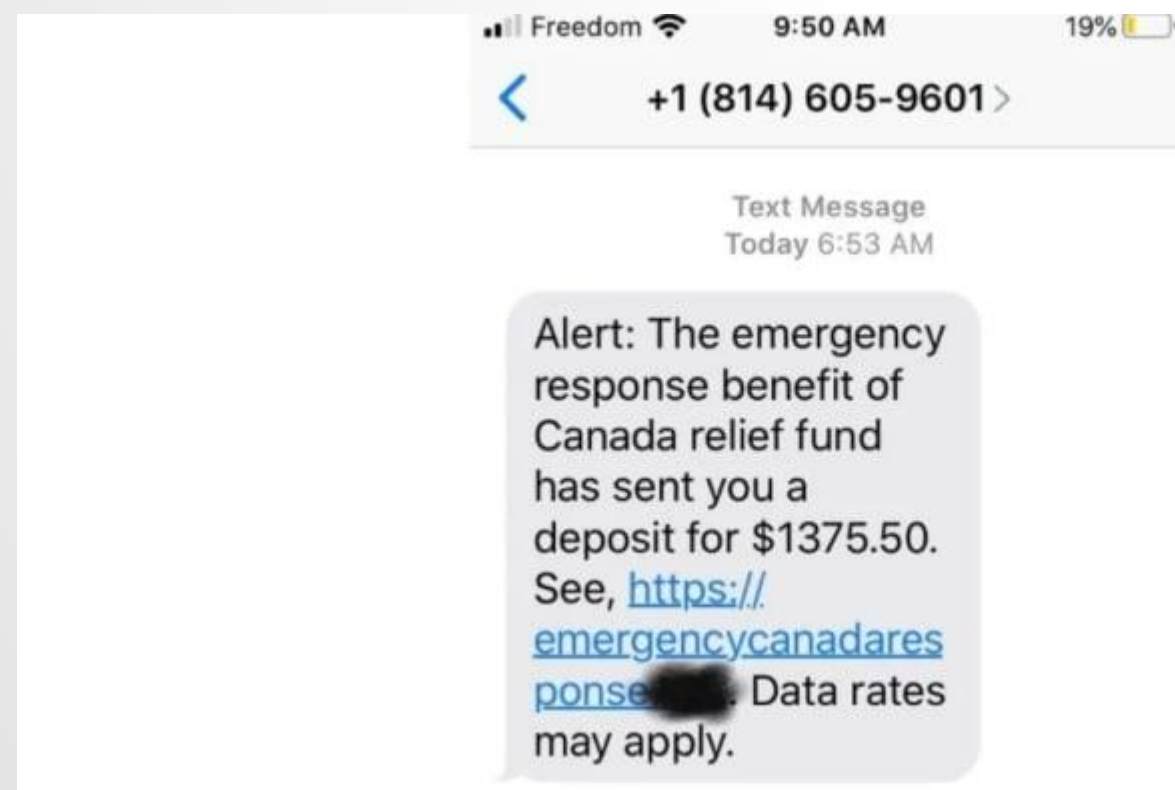
Misinformation on social media



New phishing emails, texts and calls

COVID-19 phishing scams

- Financial relief
- Charity/donations
- COVID-19 tests or health results
- Cleaning services
- Utilities



“I could even infect your whole family with the Coronavirus”

A traditional sextortion email with a twist



New challenge in cybersecurity:

Remote workers

Many organizations are forced to face remote work for the first time. Training has never been more important.

- Communicate consistently to a distributed workforce
- Compliance with new policies, like BYOD
- New process changes, like approving transactions
- Introduce new tools, like Zoom and Dropbox
- WFH brings new risks to educate
 - Personal networks aren't as secure
 - Shared and personal devices



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1. Protect your Wi-Fi

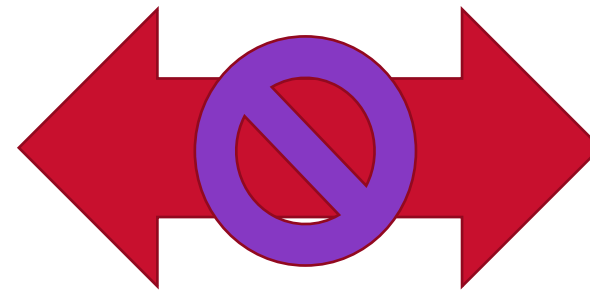
The most important part of your work-from-home setup is your Wi-Fi network.

A bad actor can use your Wi-Fi to access any device or information on your network.

- ✓ Change default router password
- ✓ Create a guest network
- ✓ Keep routers up to date
- ✓ Replace old routers
- ✓ Turn on WPA2 encryption
- ✓ Turn on a DNS protection service

Guest network

- Guest devices (like friends)
- Smart devices (like TVs and speakers)
- New, untested devices
- Old, not secured devices
- Children's devices



Hidden network (or VPN)

- Work devices
- Work phones

- Personal laptops and phones – may cause issues with smart devices



CIRA Canadian Shield

Turn on DNS protection

DNS is how your web browser looks up websites. Hackers can use the DNS to trick you into visiting fake websites, or to turn on the bad code they've tricked you into downloading.

A DNS service designed for security checks the websites you're visiting against a list of known bad web domains.

- ✓ Log in to your router
- ✓ Go to "DNS settings"
- ✓ Change that number to our number
- ✓ Protects all devices on your network



2. Protect personal devices

If you use a compromised personal device to access work systems, you can put others at risk.

Be careful when sharing devices with others – do you know what they are downloading or visiting?

- ✓ Always update your devices
- ✓ Don't share work devices with others
- ✓ Lock or turn-off devices when not in use
- ✓ Have file and device backups
- ✓ Only download apps from approved stores
- ✓ Use anti-virus software
- ✓ Use a VPN to access important systems

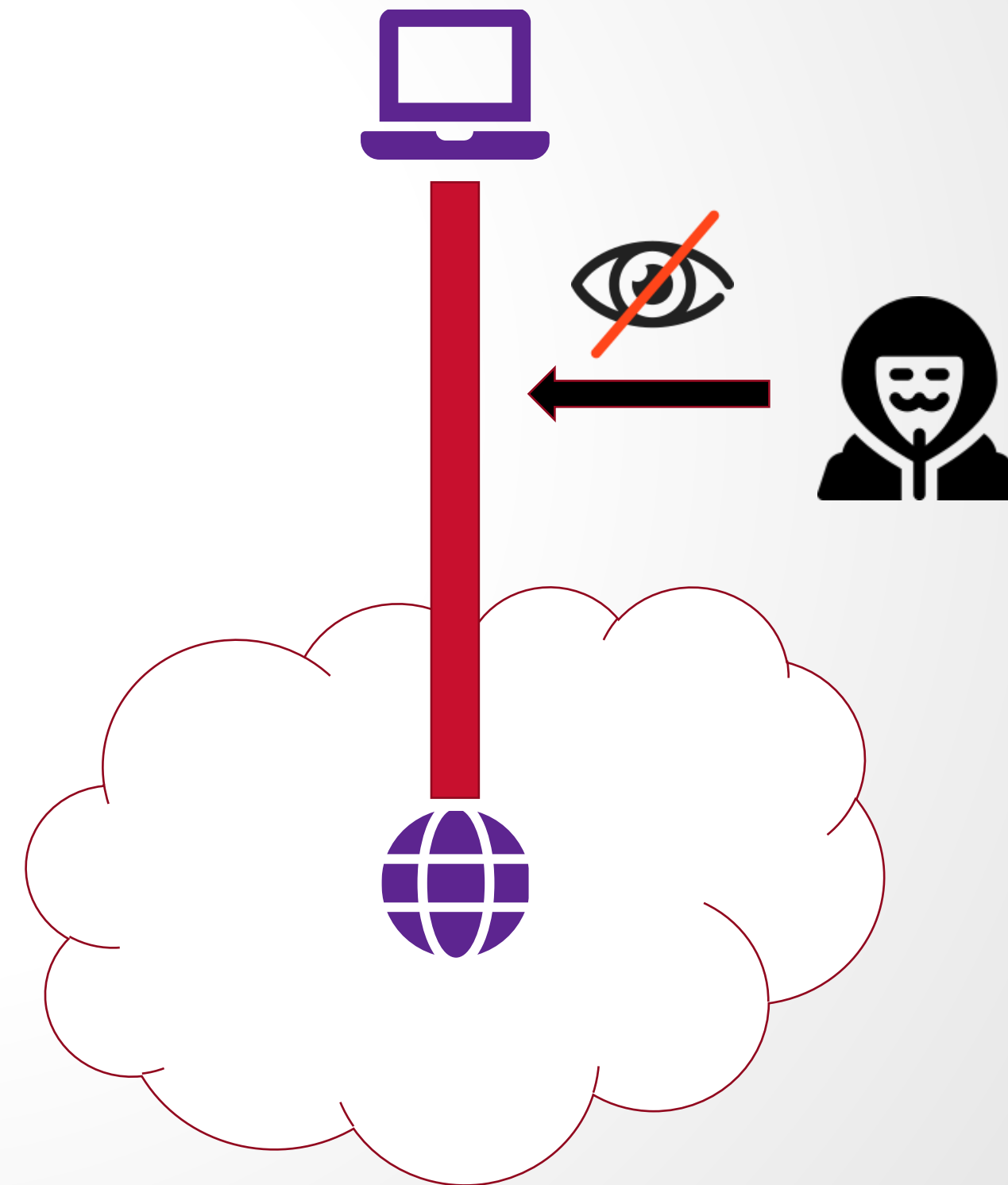
What is a VPN? Virtual Private Network

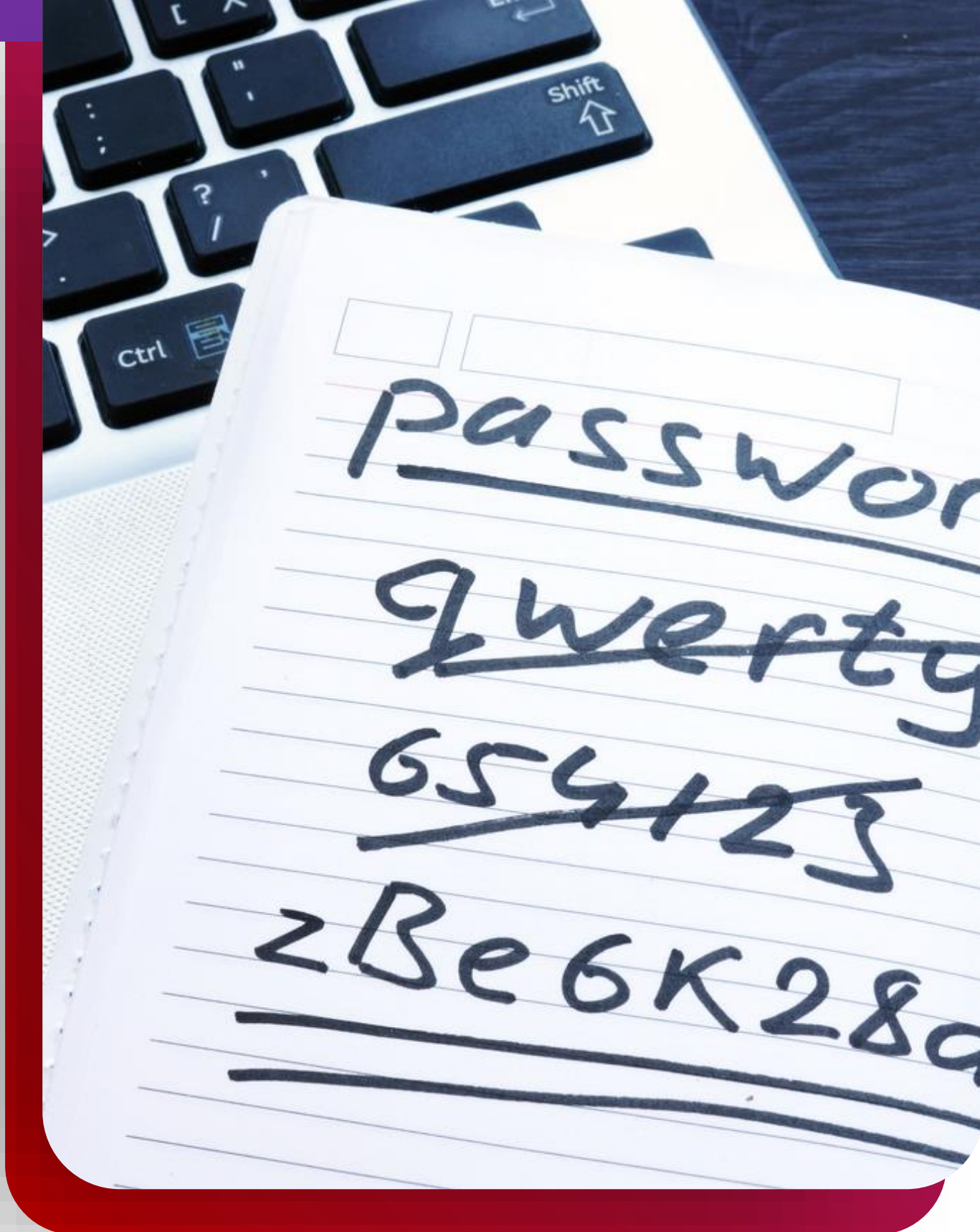
A VPN is a **secure** connection to the internet.

- ✓ Hides your identity on the internet
- ✓ Encrypts your internet behaviour

When to use a VPN:

- Using personal devices for work stuff
- Using public Wi-Fi





3. Digital hygiene

Hygiene is everything you do to clean-up and secure your online self.

Every surface you have on the internet can become a point of attack. Secure everything you can, both in personal and in work.

- ✓ Create strong, unique passwords
- ✓ Use a password manager
- ✓ Delete old accounts
- ✓ Turn on multi-factor authentication
- ✓ Unsubscribe from junk emails

Use a strong, long, unique password

= 5 hours

= 200 years

- Long (15+ characters recommended)
- Special characters (% , & , @)
- Avoid patterns (like asdf, 123)
- Avoid personal words (like birthdays, pets names)
- Avoid substitutions (like zero and O)

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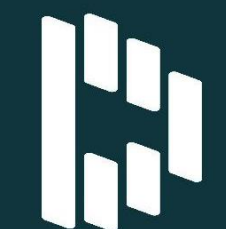
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- ✓ Easy way to manage shared passwords for teams or families
- ✓ Store other important information, like security answers
- ✓ Makes moving to new devices easier

LastPass...

1Password



NordPass



DASHLANE

Multi-factor authentication (MFA)

You know when you get an email or text code to log in? That's multi-factor authentication.

MFA means needing two or more of something you...



Know

(password, PIN number)



Have

(phone, email, authenticator app)



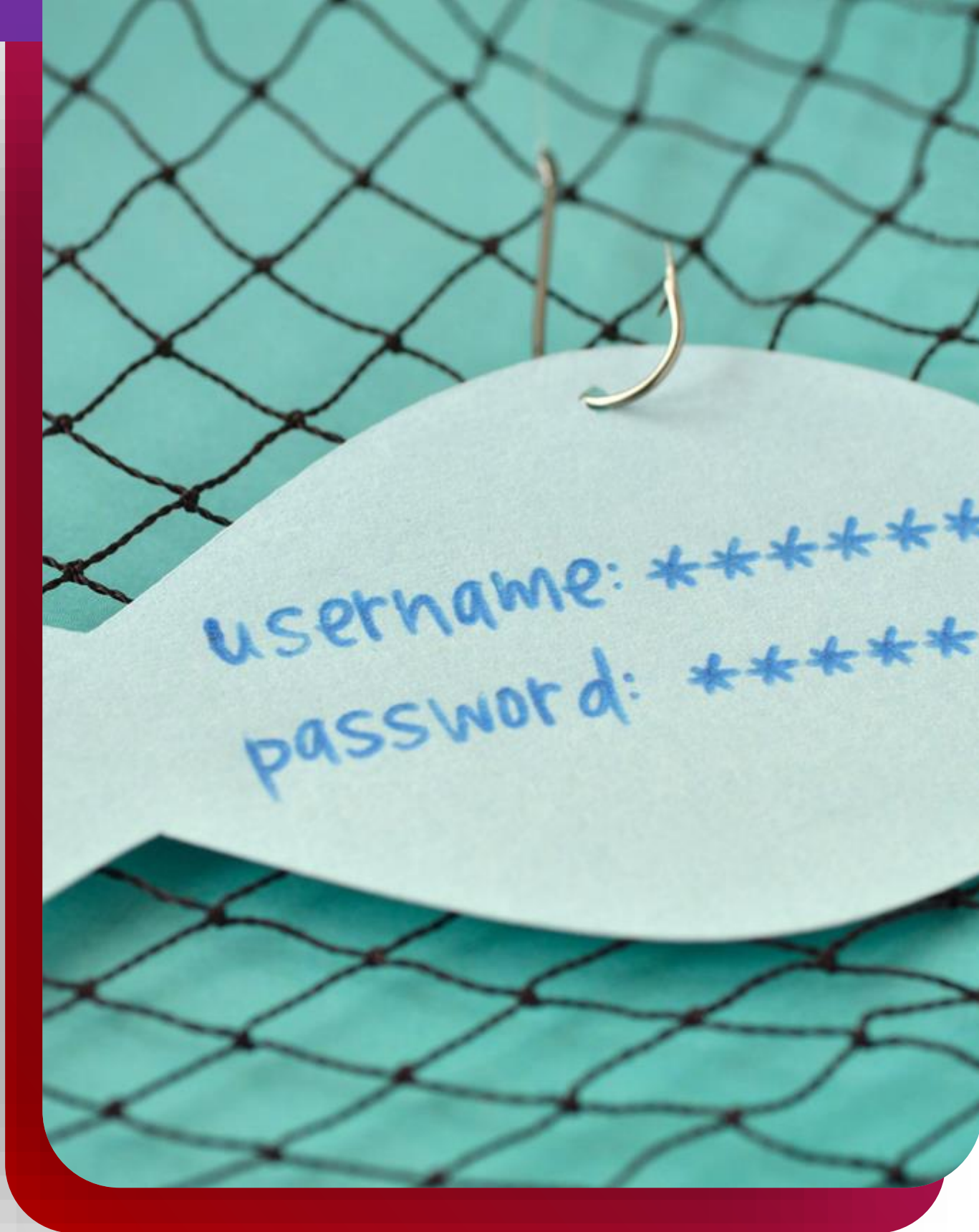
Are

(fingerprint, Face ID)

Digital hygiene for your website

- ✓ Turn on multi-factor authentication for your Webnames account and services
- ✓ Add an SSL certificate to your website
- ✓ Make strong, unique passwords for:
 - Webnames account
 - Website host/admin portal (like Wordpress)
 - Email services
 - Social media accounts





4. Phishing scams

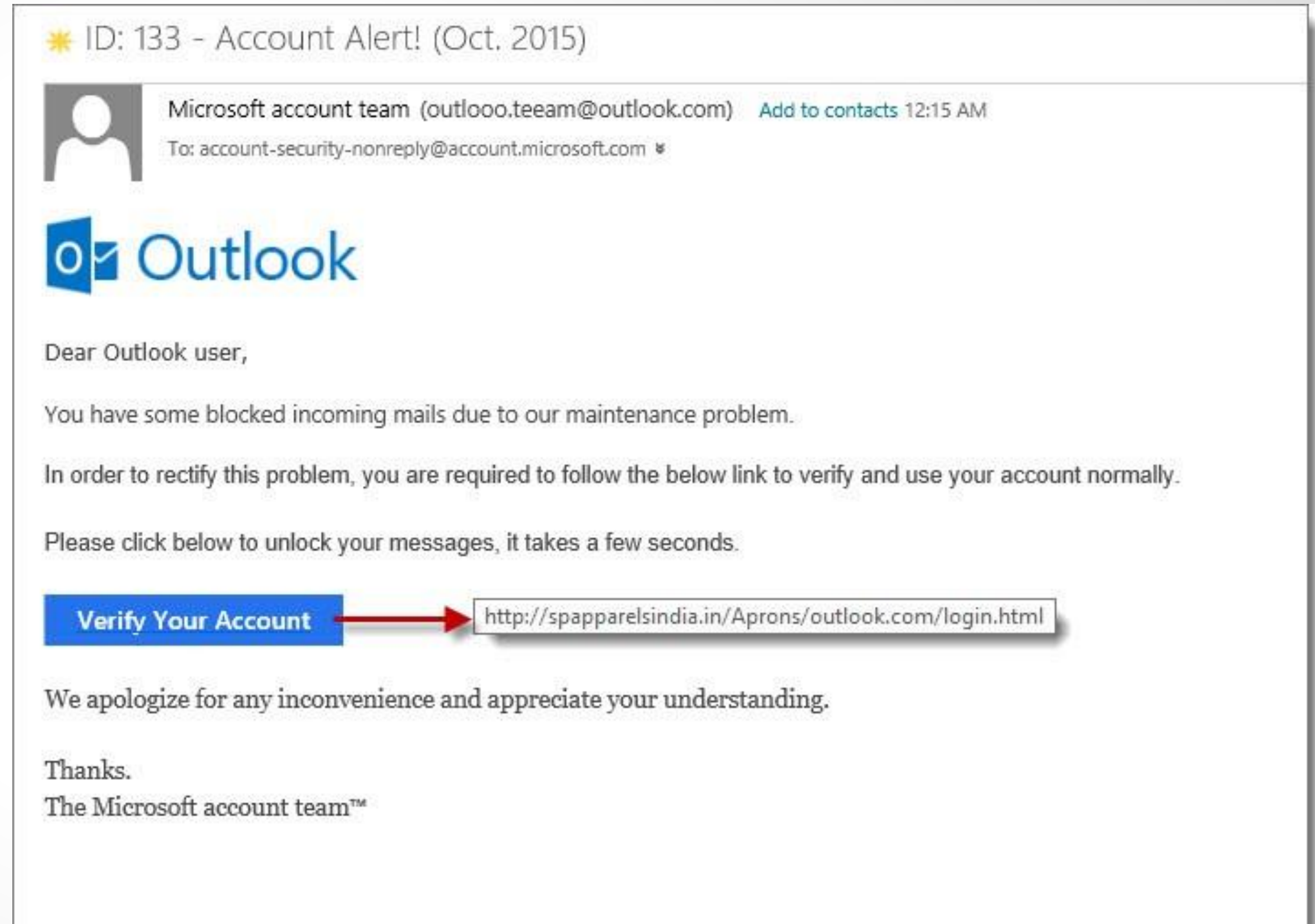
Phishing is when someone tries to impersonate others to steal your information, login credentials, or money.

Phishing can happen from email, text, calls, and social media.

Common phishes pretend to be the CRA, banks, police, your boss, or family members.

How to spot a phishing email

- Spelling errors
- Website isn't the right one
- Strange email address and name
- Suspicious attachment
- Uses urgency or fear
- Seems too good to be true
- Threatening to arrest you
- Asks you not to tell others





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Next Steps

Free Cybersecurity Resources + Tools

Get Started: www.webnames.ca/cybersecurity-tools

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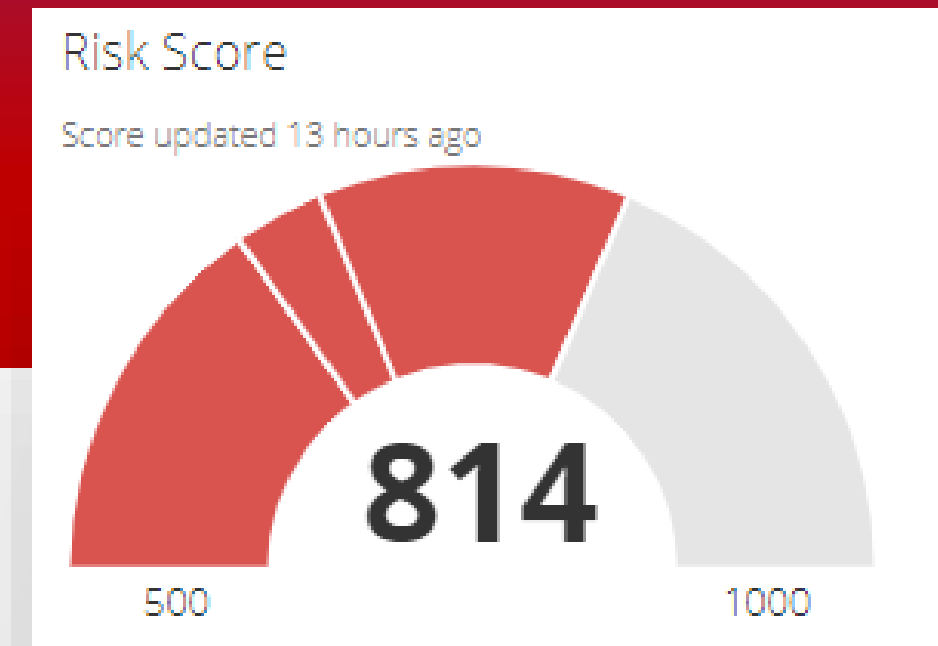
Free Course

Cybersecurity for remote workers



Canadian Shield

Free DNS service for households



Training Platform for IT Teams

Train and test staff to reduce phishing incidents



Your turn.
Questions?

Thank you for joining us.

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