

Protect Yourself from Fraud and Scams: Tips for Teens

1. Be Careful What You Share Online

Avoid posting your full name, address, phone number, or school publicly. Scammers look for this information.

2. Never Send Money to Someone You Don't Know

If someone asks you to help move money, send a code, or cash a check, it's a scam.

3. Protect Your Accounts

Use strong passwords and enable two-factor authentication. Don't share login info—even with friends.

4. Think Before You Click

Don't click on links in weird messages. If unsure, go directly to the website instead.

5. Watch out for "Too-Good-To-Be-True" Deals

Free items, quick money, and big offers are common scam tactics.

6. Don't Share Verification Codes

If someone says they accidentally sent you a code, don't send it back. It can give them access to your accounts.

7. Be Smart About Online Purchases

Use trusted payment methods and verify sellers. Avoid using gift cards or sending money to strangers.

If something feels off—pause and ask a parent, teacher, or trusted adult.



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