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Securing yourself online

Heading

Topic: Online security

General Purpose: To inform

Specific Purpose: Inform audience how to be secure online.

1. Introduction
2. Attention-getter: You’re at risk, all of us are at risk, I am not talking about STDs, global warming, or terrorism I’m talking about your life online. (Source: Personal work experience.)
3. Preview: Using strong passwords, secure connects, and double-checking links before clicking on them to be secure online.

[Transition: the first step is using strong passwords for bank accounts and everything you do online]

II. Body

A. for example look at this password.

1.the first criteria of a strong password are having 10 to 15 characters and include uppercase, lowercase and special characters

2. according to Microsoft online guide to creating strong passwords when your passwords contain long combinations of letters numbers and punctation is billions of times more secure than something short.

[Transition: In addition to using strong passwords you should use a secure connection whenever possible.]

B. How do you know when you have a secure connection.

1. An insecure connection you should look at the address bar and if the beginning is http it is not secure.

2. if the beginning of the address bar is https then it is secure, the s stands for secure.

[Transition: the third step is double checking links before clicking them.]

C. It a little more involved that the other steps but just as important.

1.For example if you see this bank link it is wrong and it’s a fraudulent website to gather personal information.

2.What do you do if the link does not match the one that the cursor reveals, you don’t click.

[Transition: At the beginning of this speech I said that you are at risk and that’s true, but you are not helpless.]

1. Conclusion
2. Review: I have shared three proven ways to protect yourself, strong passwords, secure connections, and double-checking links.
3. Memorable Statement: I hope you will find this information helpful as you fight this endless battle for online security.