

The 5 Free Tools I Use to Make Money as a Cybersecurity Student

1. Wordfence (Free WordPress Security Plugin)

Why I use it: Protects WordPress websites from malware and brute-force attacks.

How I make money with it: I help people install and configure Wordfence on their websites. Most clients don't know where to start, so I walk them through it or do it for them.

2. Canva (Free Design Tool)

Why I use it: Makes it easy to create Fiverr gig thumbnails, LinkedIn banners, and brochures.

How I make money with it: I use Canva to design all my freelance service materials. Clients trust me more because everything looks professional.

3. Google Dorks + OSINT Tools

Why I use it: To do basic online investigations, find exposed data, and check website leaks.

How I make money with it: I offer OSINT mini-projects or audits for clients who want to know what info about them is publicly available.

4. LibreOffice (Free Word Processor)

Why I use it: It's free and perfect for data entry, typing jobs, and creating reports.

How I make money with it: Many clients want neat documents, so I type or format resumes, lists, and summaries using LibreOffice Writer.

5. Google Drive + Forms

Why I use it: Makes it easy to create online surveys, collect data, and share work.

How I make money with it: I collect client info via Google Forms, share progress through Drive, and deliver

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reports cleanly.

Final Advice

Start small. Deliver professionally. Use free tools wisely. And remember - you don't need to be an expert to get paid. You just need to be helpful and trustworthy.

Contact me at cyberhawk.gh1@gmail.com if you want a beginner-friendly freelancer who gets the job done right.