



Task 7:

Why I Considered It Suspicious

- McAfee WebAdvisor came pre-installed with my browser/computer, and I did not intentionally install it.
- It has broad permissions, including the ability to read and change all data on visited websites.
- Some online reviews reported that it can slow down browsing, inject pop-up warnings, and collect usage data for analytics.
- I prefer using built-in browser security features rather than third-party tools that may add extra overhead.

Steps I Took to Remove It

- 1. Opened Google Chrome.
- 2. Went to Menu (:) \rightarrow More Tools \rightarrow Extensions.
- 3. Located McAfee WebAdvisor in the list.
- 4. Clicked Remove and confirmed deletion.
- 5. Restarted my browser to ensure changes were applied.

Lessons Learned

- Even well-known brand extensions can request excessive permissions that may not be necessary for my browsing needs.
- Pre-installed software may run in the background without my active consent.
- Regularly checking installed extensions improves browser performance and security.
- Official browser features (like Chrome Safe Browsing or Firefox Enhanced Tracking Protection) can often replace third-party tools safely.