Task 7 Report – Identify and Remove Suspicious Browser Extensions

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Browser Used: Google Chrome

Steps Taken:

1. Opened Chrome's extensions manager.
2. Reviewed all installed extensions: Wappalyzer, FoxyProxy, VirusTotal, and Shodan.
3. Checked permissions for each extension and searched online reviews to verify trustworthiness.
4. Determined that all extensions are legitimate tools used for research, security, and development purposes.
5. No extensions were removed as all were found to be safe and necessary.
6. Restarted browser to confirm performance was unaffected.
7. Researched how malicious extensions can harm users to remain vigilant for the future.

Findings:

Extension Name	Status	Reason for Action Taken
Wappalyzer	Kept	Legitimate tool for identifying technologies used by websites.
FoxyProxy	Kept	Trusted extension for managing proxy configurations.
VirusTotal	Kept	Security tool for scanning URLs and files against malware databases.
Shodan	Kept	Safe and useful for cybersecurity research.

Conclusion:

All installed extensions were reviewed and confirmed as safe, reputable, and necessary for ongoing tasks. No suspicious or harmful extensions were found. Continued periodic reviews are recommended to maintain browser security and performance.