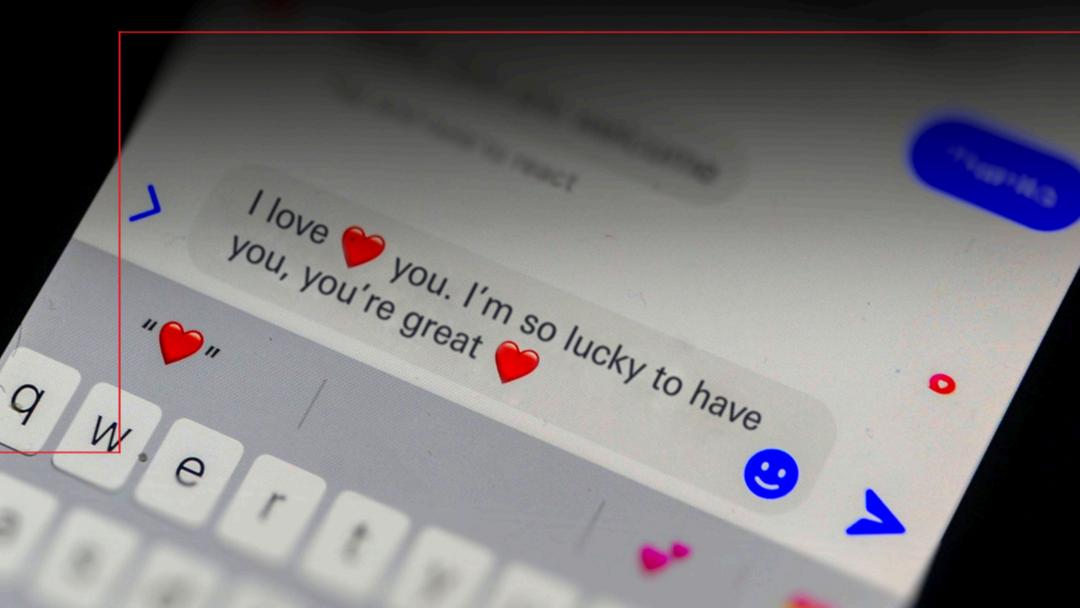


What is a romance scam?

Fraudsters using a fake identity to gain their victims' affection and trust before asking them for money



How to spot a romance scammer

- Do they ask lots of questions but reveal little about themselves?
- Have they expressed strong feelings towards you quite early in the relationship?
- Have they asked to meet in person but that never happens?
- Do they suddenly need money to pay for an emergency?

How to stay safe

- Don't share personal details like your full name, date of birth or home address
- Never send money or share your bank details with someone you've only met online
- Reverse image search their profile photo and see if it's really them

