* Malicious extensions – Auto skip for YouTube
* Permissions taken by above extension – automatically access browsing websites and collect browsing data

Dangers of Harmful Browser Extensions:

* **Access to User Data:**

Extensions can request permissions to access browsing data, including personal information and passwords, which can be exploited for malicious purposes.

* **Malware and Spyware:**

Some extensions can install malware or spyware on your device, allowing unauthorized access to your data and even financial information.

* **Phishing Attacks:**

Malicious extensions can mimic legitimate websites to trick users into revealing sensitive information like login credentials.

* **Performance Issues:**

Poorly designed or malicious extensions can consume excessive system resources, slowing down your browser and computer.

* **Redirecting Users:**

They can redirect users to malicious websites, exposing them to further threats.

* **Injecting Ads and Tracking:**

Extensions can inject unauthorized ads or track user behavior, compromising privacy and potentially leading to further attacks.

How to Protect Yourself:

* **Download from Official Sources:** Only download extensions from official sources like the Chrome Web Store, while acknowledging that even these stores can be compromised.
* **Verify Authenticity:** Research the developer and read reviews before installing an extension.
* **Limit Extension Use:** Only install extensions that are absolutely necessary.
* **Regularly Review and Remove:** Periodically review your installed extensions and remove any you don't recognize or no longer need.
* **Use Reliable Security Software:** Employ reputable security software to help detect and remove malicious extensions.
* **Be Mindful of Permissions:** Carefully review the permissions requested by an extension before installation.
* **Update Your Browser and Extensions:** Ensure your browser and extensions are updated to the latest versions to patch security vulnerabilities.
* **Use a reputable security extension:** There are browser extensions designed to help detect and block malicious extension

Removal of extension

From chrome browser removed extensions