

8:- Identify one real phishing email : A final-year student, Aman, receives a LinkedIn message saying:

“You are shortlisted for a Remote Software Developer role at Google.

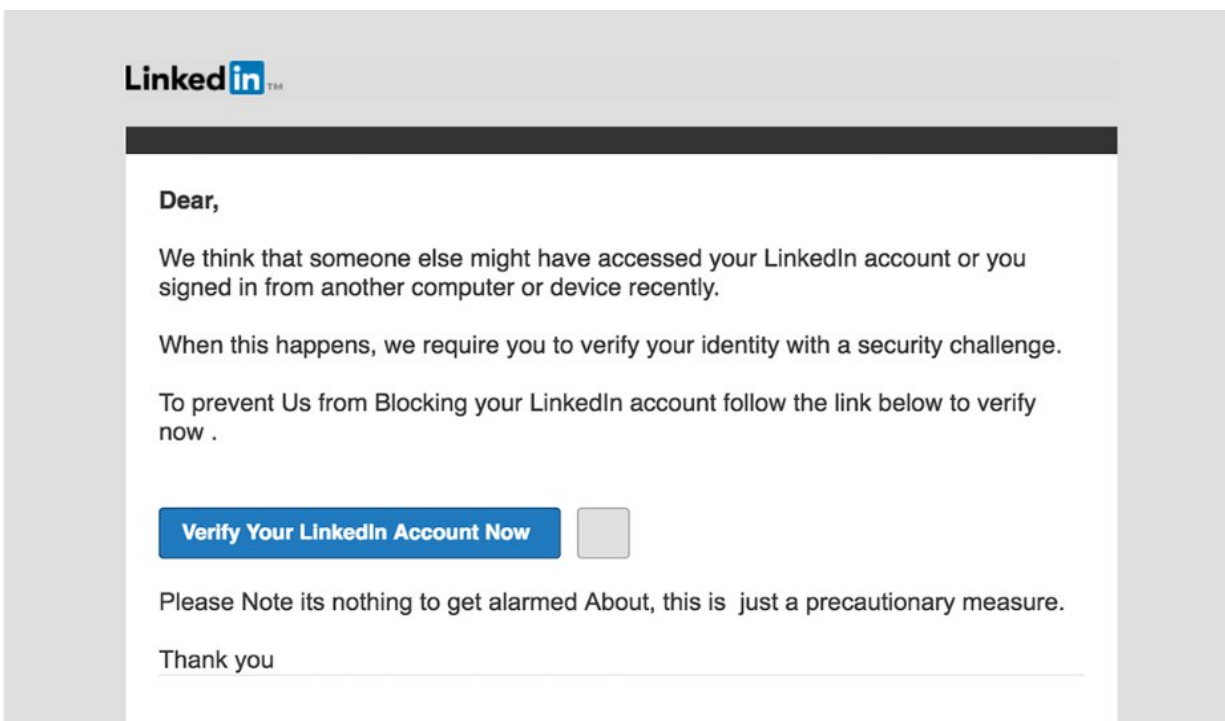
Salary: ₹18 LPA.

Pay ₹2,499 as verification fee. Limited seats. Pay now to confirm.”

ANSWER THE QUESTIONS :-

- a) What type of cybercrime is happening here?
- b) List 3 red flags that show it is a scam?
- c) What should he do to verify if a job offer is real?

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Ans a):- Phishing / Job Scam (Employment Scam)

The attacker is pretending to be a recruiter from Google to trick the student into paying money.

This is a type of **social engineering** and **financial fraud**.

Ans b):- 1:- Asking for money (₹2,499 “verification fee”) –

No legitimate company, especially Google, ever charges candidates for interviews, verification, or job confirmation.

2:-Unrealistic or unusually attractive offer –

“Shortlisted for Remote Developer role at ₹18 LPA” without any interview is suspicious.

3:-Sent through LinkedIn message with urgency

(“**Limited seats. Pay now**”) – Scammers create pressure to act quickly so the victim doesn't verify the information.

Ans c):-

1. Check the official company career website (e.g., careers.google.com) to see if the job exists.
2. **Verify the recruiter's identity** by checking their official company email address (Google uses @google.com, not random LinkedIn IDs).