

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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LinkedIn™

Dear,

We think that someone else might have accessed your LinkedIn account or you signed in from another computer or device recently.

When this happens, we require you to verify your identity with a security challenge.

To prevent us from blocking your LinkedIn account follow the link below to verify now .

[Verify Your LinkedIn Account Now](#)

Please note it's nothing to get alarmed about, this is just a precautionary measure.

Thank you

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).