**Lesson 6: More Tips**

An overview of even more tips and tricks to manage your cybersecurity. The additional tips you need to know to become more **self-cybersecure** will be listed and discussed further in this article. We will overview tips relating to how to best secure your devices, computers, systems, and accounts from attacks.

**Good Security Habits**

Reduce your cyber risk and vulnerability to cybercriminals by developing these habits:

* **Backup your computer**: backing up software is a process that copies data from servers in case of an incident that renders the data inaccessible-- thus protecting against virus attacks, malicious software, loss of data, and other cyber threats. To back up your computer, simply go to the Update & Security section of your PC's settings.
* **Keep software updated**: Install software updates whenever manufacturers release updates to all users. Updates are necessary because they fix the device vulnerabilities that cyber attackers might take advantage of.
* **Install a firewall**: A firewall offers protection against unwanted outside access to your device's information. By blocking data from specific locations and preventing malicious software and traffic, firewalls protect systems and devices from cybercriminals.
* **Avoid public Wi-Fi when possible**: It's best to use a secure Wi-Fi connection so your data is more protected against an unauthorized access. However, when you are connecting to a public network (like hotel, airport, café), make sure to only visit secure sites, don't go on banking or online shopping accounts, and double check the Wi-Fi login procedures.
* **Monitor your accounts**: Always keep a close eye on all of your accounts for any unusual activity-- such as purchases you know you never made, suspicious emails and messages, unexplainable charges, etc. If you do encounter strange account activity, take action ASAP and contact the companies where you have the accounts.

**Conclusion**

Utilize these bulletin points in conjecture to the important cyber-protection tips talked about in previous articles so you can provide the best protection for yourself against data breaches and cyber threats. We trust that you can apply all that you've learned in this course to real-world habits to become more cybersecure and aware of the **importance of cybersecurity** moving into the future.

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