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**Objective:** Understand what makes a password strong and test it against password strength

tools.

Tools used: passwordmeter.com

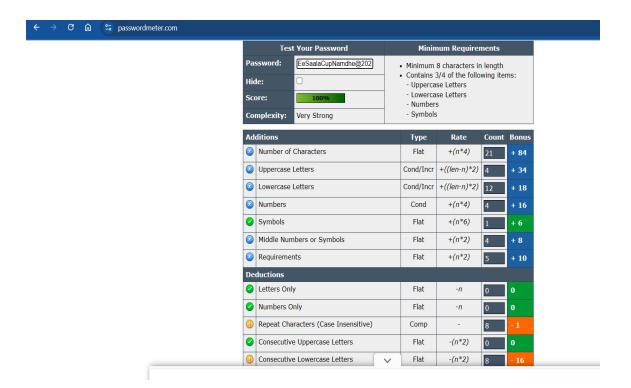
## **Password strengthening:**

Password strengthening involves creating long, unique passwords with a mix of uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols. It is also crucial to use a <u>password manager</u> to store unique passwords for each account and enable <u>multi-factor authentication</u> whenever possible. Avoid using personal information, common words, or predictable patterns that are easy for attackers to guess.

## Creating a strong password

- Make it long: Aim for at least 12 characters, with 14 or more being even better.
- Use a mix of character types: Combine uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and special symbols (e.g., @, #, %).
- **Avoid personal information:** Don't use birthdays, names, addresses, or pet names that can be easily found online.
- **Don't use common words or patterns:** Steer clear of dictionary words, consecutive letters (like "abc"), or repeated characters (like "aaa").
- **Consider a passphrase:** A memorable phrase made of several random words is often longer and more secure than a single password (e.g., "CoffeeTableBookSunshine").

Keeping strong password



## Weak password

