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**Article (Can you protect your data)**

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Yes ... and no!

Some of the time our personal data is shared online with our consent. We post our birthday, our photographs and even our opinions online on social media. We know that this information is publicly accessible. However, our data often travels further than we realise, and can be used in ways that we did not intend. Certain news scandals about data breaches, where personal data has been lost, leaked or shared without consent, have recently made people much more aware of the potential dangers of sharing information online.

So, can we do anything to protect our data? Or should we just accept that in fact nothing is 'free' and sharing our data is the price we have to pay for using many online services? As people are increasingly aware of and worried about data protection, governments and organisations are taking a more active role in protecting privacy. For example, the European Union passed the General Data Protection Law, which regulates how personal information is collected online. However, there is still much work to be done.

As internet users, we should all have a say in how our data is used. It is important that we pay more attention to how data is acquired, where it is stored and how it is used. As the ways in which we use the internet continue to grow and change, we will need to stay informed and keep demanding new laws and regulations, and better information about how to protect

ourselves. Safer Internet Day is an ideal time to find out more about this topic.

## **Summary :**

**Now a days we are sharing our personal data like birthday photographs even our opinions on social media even though we know that this information is publically available certain scandals regarding personal data has been lost , leaked, or shared to unknown people as a internet user we have pay attention to how data is acquired where it is stored and how it is used. Govt and organizations of europe of protection of people's privacy have pass the general data protection law which regulates how personal information is collected online**