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- A free resource which outlines the key points related to each particular issue
- In clear language, free of jargon and in easy to digest chunks
- To engage students of all ages and learning styles and help them improve their understanding
- To enthuse and engage young people and help create a positive learning environment

This free resource introduces 'financial awareness online'.

What Does Being Financially Aware Online Mean?

Ask the group for their definitions of financial awareness and financial responsibility online and then write the following on a whiteboard or flipchart:

'Being financially aware online means a number of things including being diligent about spotting frauds or scams. It also means checking that online shopping sites are secure as well as using strong passwords when requested.'



Issues to Look out for

- Does a link you have received look suspicious in any way? This is a common way that scammers hack into online accounts. They send viruses via genuine-looking emails or text messages. If you click on the link in the email/text you may be downloading harmful viruses onto your device.
- If someone requests your bank account details via email or text message, you should NOT send them! Banks will never ask for bank details in this manner.
- Not all websites are what they seem. Some are not totally secure or they may even be fake. If you enter your payment details into unsecure websites, they can be hacked or stolen.

Questions to Ask Students

1. Do you have a secure password or fingerprint protection on your phone if you use internet banking or Apple Pay or Android Pay?
2. Are you familiar with or currently using anti-virus protection on your devices?
3. Have you ever received an email or message requesting your bank account details or passwords?
4. Do you regularly shop online, or book tickets, holidays etc?
5. Have you ever shared bank details with friends such as account numbers or passwords?

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