# Outsmart Phishing: Stay Safe Online



#### What is Phishing?

**Definition:** Cybercrime where criminals trick people into sharing sensitive info. They pretend to be trustworthy sources, often through deceptive emails.



# **Understanding Phishing**

- Evolution: Phishing has evolved from simple, deceptive emails to more sophisticated scams.
- Phishing email anatomy: Includes deceptive sender information, manipulative message content, and malicious links or attachments.
- Types of phishing: Deceptive, Spear, Whaling, Cloning, and CEO Fraud, each with unique characteristics.

#### **Recognizing Phishing Attempts**

- Signs: Common signs include urgent tone, misspellings, unrecognized senders, and suspicious links.
- Real-life example: Snapshot of a phishing email, highlighting these common signs.



#### **The Technology behind Phishing**

- Forging emails: Phishers manipulate email details to appear legitimate.
- Malware: Malicious software that can infect devices, often hidden in phishing emails.
- Data capture: Phishers profit from tracking and stealing personal or financial data.



## **Protecting Yourself and Your Organization**

- Steps for potential phishing: Don't click on links, verify the sender, and report the email.
- Importance of security: Regular updates, strong passwords, multi-factor authentication, and phishing awareness training.
- Role of filters and antivirus: Can help detect and block phishing emails.
- Keepnet Labs' Phishing Simulator: A tool for proactive cybersecurity training.

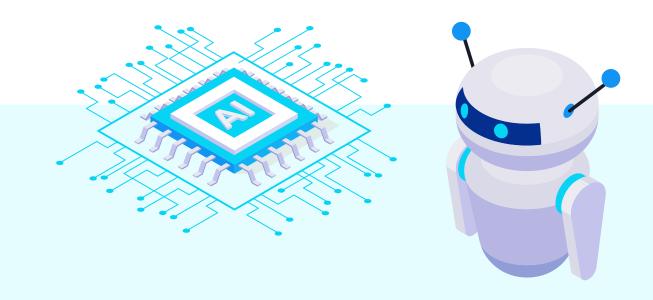
# **Reporting and Recovery from Phishing Attacks**

- **Report:** Phishing attempts can be reported to your IT department and organizations like the Anti-Phishing Working Group (APWG).
- Steps if victimized: Disconnect from the internet, scan for malware, change passwords, and contact relevant parties (banks, credit bureaus).
- Recovery: Damage control involves investigating the breach, restoring systems, and improving future defense.



#### The Future of Phishing

- Emerging trends: Includes Al-powered phishing, mobile phishing, social media phishing, and Smishing.
- Future-proofing: Stay informed, invest in employee education, upgrade security measures, and leverage Al technology.



### **Protect Your Business with Keepnet**

 A comprehensive solution for phishing defense: Keepnet Phishing Simulator is a tool that emulates phishing attacks, sending mock emails to employees to test their responses. Its purpose is to evaluate an organization's security efficacy, identify vulnerabilities, and educate staff. Start your free trial now.



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