

GAME CHAT EDITION

Free skins are the bait. You're the catch.

Game chat scams look like a friendly trade, a giveaway or a 'mod' who needs to check your account. What they really want is your login, your items or a family member's card.



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Trades stay inside the game

Only trade with the game's built-in trade screen. Anyone who wants you to 'go first', trade on another site or pay with a gift card is planning to keep both sides of the deal.



2

Real mods never need your password

Game staff, mods and 'support' never ask for your password or sign-in code in chat. If someone says you'll be banned unless you log in somewhere, that's the scam.



3

Tell someone you trust

Got scammed or threatened? You are not in trouble. Screenshot it, block and report the player, and tell a parent, teacher or counselor. Scammers count on you staying quiet.



Spot the scam



xX_FreeDrops_Mod_Xx Private message in game chat

Chat message

yo u got picked for the weekend legendary skin drop. only 10 left so claim fast. just log in at freedrops-claim.example with ur game account to verify it's really u. if it asks for a code send me the code from ur email lol. also don't tell anyone or the dev team cancels it for everybody

Spot the scam: how many red flags can you find?

Red flags I found: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

Look for: surprise, urgency, secrecy, an unusual payment method, a sender or link you can't confirm.

FUN FACT

Scammers target teens too. In 2025, people 17 and younger filed 13,168 complaints with the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center and reported nearly \$13 million in losses.

Source: FBI IC3 2025 Internet Crime Report



Your 60-second move

Open your game account settings and turn on two-step verification. It takes about a minute.



Who do I tell?

Name / ext. _____

Report channel _____

- ANSWER**
- Five flags: a random free drop, 'only 10 left', an outside login site, a request for your code and 'don't tell anyone'. Smart move: don't click. Block and report the player in the game, and if you already logged in, tell an adult and change your password together.
 - Rare free items out of nowhere are the classic hook.
 - 'Only 10 left' is fake pressure.
 - Logging in on an outside site hands over your account.
 - The code from your email is the key to your account.
 - 'Don't tell anyone' keeps you from getting a second opinion.



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