

SLIDE OUTLINE · GRADES 6-8 · 8 SLIDES

Spot the scam

An editable PowerPoint version of these slides is included in the lesson pack.



Spot the scam

- Every scam needs you to take one action
- Today: learn the hooks, hunt the red flags
- Then: report, block, tell

SLIDE 1 · SPEAKER NOTES

Keep it calm and respectful. Students are not careless; scammers send the same message to thousands of people and wait for someone to be in a hurry.



The four hooks

- Free currency or items
- 'Verify your account or lose it'
- Fake giveaways: send some, get more back
- 'I sent my code to you by mistake'

SLIDE 2 · SPEAKER NOTES

Ask students which one they have seen. These four cover most scam messages aimed at young gamers and phone users.



Red flags

- A countdown, deadline or threat
- A link that is not the real site
- A request for a password or code
- Move to another app or send something first

SLIDE 3 · SPEAKER NOTES

A message with polished spelling can still be a scam. Do not tell students that typos are the main clue.



The code rule

- Your one-time code proves it is you logging in
- It is for you only
- Anyone who asks for it, even a friend's account, is trying to get in

SLIDE 4 · SPEAKER NOTES

Explain the read-back trick: the scammer types your username, the site texts you a code, and they need you to read it back.



Check another way

- Do not use the link or number in the message
- Open the game or app yourself
- Contact your friend by a route you already know

SLIDE 5 · SPEAKER NOTES

This one habit defeats most scams, including messages from hacked friend accounts.



Report, block, tell

- Report the account in the game or app
- Block it
- Tell a trusted adult, especially if you already clicked

SLIDE 6 · SPEAKER NOTES

Point to the names on the board. Nobody gets in trouble for reporting, and fast reporting makes accounts easier to recover.



Red-flag hunt

- Highlight every red flag
- Sort: Scam, Probably fine, Check first
- Write one reason for each

SLIDE 7 · SPEAKER NOTES

Give 6 minutes for highlighting and 5 for sorting. Check first means 'might be real, but I will verify another way first.'



If you already clicked

- Tell a trusted adult now
- Change your password in the real app
- Turn on two-step sign-in
- Warn friends not to click links from you

SLIDE 8 · SPEAKER NOTES

End on recovery, not fear. Mistakes happen to adults too. What matters is acting fast.