

Cybersecurity: What it is, why it matters, and 5 quick wins to stay safe

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What it is

Why it matters

We bank, shop, chat, and work online. One weak password or fake link can open the door to identity theft, drained accounts, or a locked-up laptop. Good security turns those "uh-oh" moments into non-events.

How it works (people + process + tech)

- People: learn to spot phishing, use strong passwords, and confirm money/account changes.
- Process: simple rules-updates on, backups running, MFA required.
- Tech: firewalls, anti-malware/EDR, password managers, DNS filtering, and encryption.

Common risks in real life

- Phishing & fake sites that steal logins
- Weak/reused passwords that unlock many accounts
- Unpatched devices with exploitable bugs
- Ransomware & info-stealers hidden in "free" downloads

Quick wins (5-minute checklist)

- Turn on MFA everywhere (prefer an app or security key).
- Use a password manager and unique passwords.
- Keep devices, browsers, and apps updated.
- Back up important files offline or immutable.
- Be skeptical of urgent messages-verify out of band before paying or sharing.