

You've Won a Prize!

* DID YOU KNOW ...

According to the government's CAN-SPAM Act, businesses are required to let people stop getting emails from them. That means you should always see a way to "unsubscribe" from an email listserv, which is something businesses use to send the same email to A LOT of people at the same time.

Match the words to their definition

password protection	something that a company advertises and sells
computer virus	the requirement that visitors use a password when they access a website so that only certain people can view the site and participate in its online activities
citation	key information about a source used for a report or other research project, including its author, title, publisher, and date of publication
product	a software program that can damage other programs on the computer

* WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What is the safe thing to do if you get an email or IM from a stranger?

* DO YOU REMEMBER ...

What spam is and what you can do about it?

1. Family Activity

With a parent or family member, create a poster about how to identify and deal with spam. Design the posters for kids who are two years younger than you and who likely do not know anything about spam. Ask your family members what they do when they receive spam, and consider adding their tips to your poster. If you have a computer at home, put your poster up near the computer to remind everyone what to do with spam.

2. Tech It Up!

Use Glogster (www.glogster.com) to make a digital version of your poster.

3. Common Sense Says ...

Spammers want you to open their emails. Follow these spam-stopping tips -- don't fall for tricks!

- ~ Don't open messages from people you don't know.
- ~ If you open a message by mistake, don't click on links or download files that come with it.
- ~ Never reply to emails or IMs from people you don't know.
- ~ Don't reply to spam, even to tell the spammer not to send any more messages.
- ~ Flag emails as "junk" or "spam."
- ~ Watch out for messages that ask for your private information. No one should ever do this.
- ~ Tell an adult you trust about any message that makes you uncomfortable or that comes from someone you don't know.