

# Make your google account more secure

## Step 1: Do a Security Checkup

Go to Security Checkup to get personalized security recommendations for your Google Account, including:

- ☐ Add or update account recovery options
- ☐ Turn on 2-Step Verification
- ☐ Remove risky access to your data
- ☐ Turn on screen lock

## Step 2: Update your software

☐ If your browser, operating system, or apps are out-of-date, the software might not be safe from hackers. To help protect your account, keep your software updated.

- ☐ Update your browser
- ☐ Update your operating system
- ☐ Update your apps

## Step 3: Use unique, strong passwords

It's risky to use the same password on multiple sites. If your password for one site is hacked, it could be used to get into your accounts for multiple sites.

- ☐ Make sure to create a strong, unique password for each account.
- ☐ Manage your passwords
- ☐ Help protect your password from hackers

## Step 4: Remove apps & browser extensions you don't need

As more apps are installed on a device, it can become more vulnerable. On devices that have access to sensitive information, only install the apps and browser extensions you need. To better protect your personal info, don't install unknown apps or apps from unknown sources.

## Step 5: Protect against suspicious messages & content

Hackers can use emails, text messages, phone calls, and web pages to pretend to be institutions, family members, or colleagues.

Avoid suspicious requests

Avoid suspicious emails

Avoid suspicious web pages

