

**Public Sector, Private and Healthcare Divisions** 

#### Security Hygiene Education Brief The <u>VERY FEW</u> Steps to protect YOUSELF at home against COMPUTER HACKERS!!!





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# Outline for today

- Believe
- Command and Control with Your COMPUTER as one of the nodes
- It Really Happens Scenarios
- Preventable Measures



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- Your computer is performing sluggish, you get a popup telling you that your computer has ...



- You drive into your home parking to realize that your home has been vandalized and your computer with lots of sensitive passwords is stolen?
- Your wife tells you they just sent an email with sensitive personal attachment to one of your friends accidently?





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- You receive a call letting you know that your car was stolen; you had a hard disk in the car and a laptop with client information?
- You are checking into the airline, and you decided to check-in your laptop?
- You arrive at a restaurant, and decide to put your laptop in the trunk; someone is watching you?

You Don't think this happens, it really happened and more...

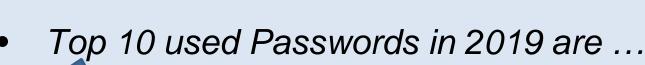
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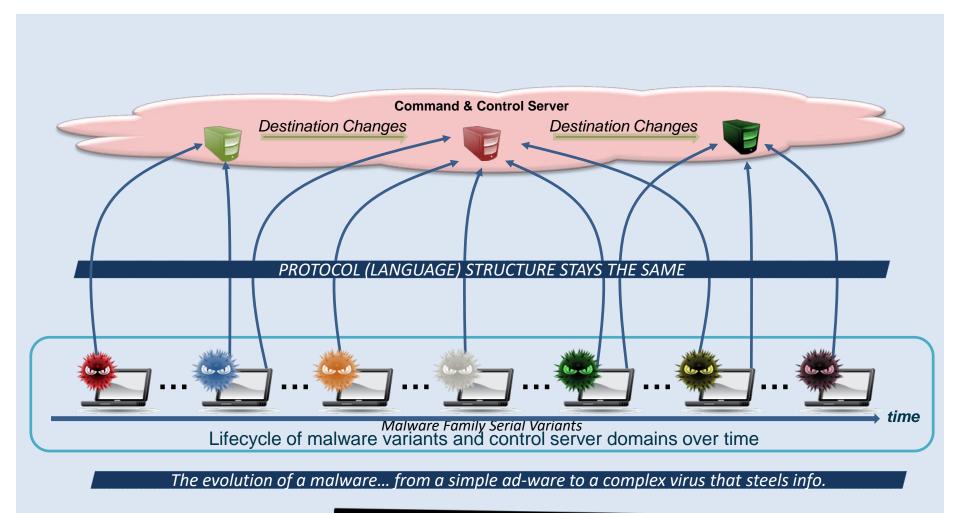


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#### Command and Control - With YOUR COMPUTER as one of the nodes



Stuff of Science Fiction? Independence day movie you say. Huh...

Source: Damballa



The next set of scernarios way scammers / hackers will try to trick YOU; be careful!!

What would you do if ...

**Email Subject:** Your Outlook<sup>®</sup> Connection issues

**Email Body:** We are trying to reach you because your Microsoft account has been unstable, and we need to test your connection. Please press the link below to log on to your account to test your connection.

Sincerely, Office365 Team, Microsoft Support.

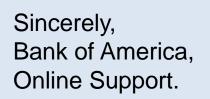


This email seems to be legitimate, directed from Microsoft Outlook® Team?

What would you do if ...

Email Subject: Your Bank Account is Locked

**Email Body:** We noticed suspicious activities on your account and we need to validate your account information. Please use the link below to logon to your account.



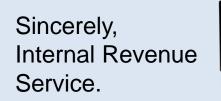


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What would you do if ...

Email Subject: IRS Payment Delinquent

**Email Body:** This the IRS, and you have payments that are past due. Please call the number below to resolve the debt. You will be able to pay online through the online payment process.





This email seems to be legitimate, directed from the IRS?

What would you do if ...

**Email Subject:** Will, Pay for driving on toll road, invoice #0000645095

**Email Body:** Dear Will, You have a debt to pay for using a toll road. Please service your debt in the shortest possible time. The copy of the invoice is attached to this email.

Sincerely, Mark Mann, E-ZPass Support.



This email seems to be legitimate, directed from your FastTrack Maybe? But your legal name is really William? hmmmmm

What would you do if ...

Email Subject: Dr. John Smith sent you important documents

**Email Body:** Dr. John Smith used Google drive to share your xRays with you securely. Click the link and logon and view the xRays.

Sincerely, Dr. John Smith, EZDental.



This email seems to be legitimate, directed from Dr. John Smith?

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What would you do if ...

**Computer:** Your Computer Displays Popups

**Pop Up:** Your Computer is at risk, there are viruses that are causing your computer to run slow. Press the Link below to see a report and contact our Microsoft Support.



This Pop Ups are nothing but a fake script. Press < Esc> and Reboot PC.

What would you do if ...

**Computer:** Singles In Your Area Popups

Pop Up: View singles in your area, press the link.



This will install more pop ups and possibly viruses; websites are untrusted.

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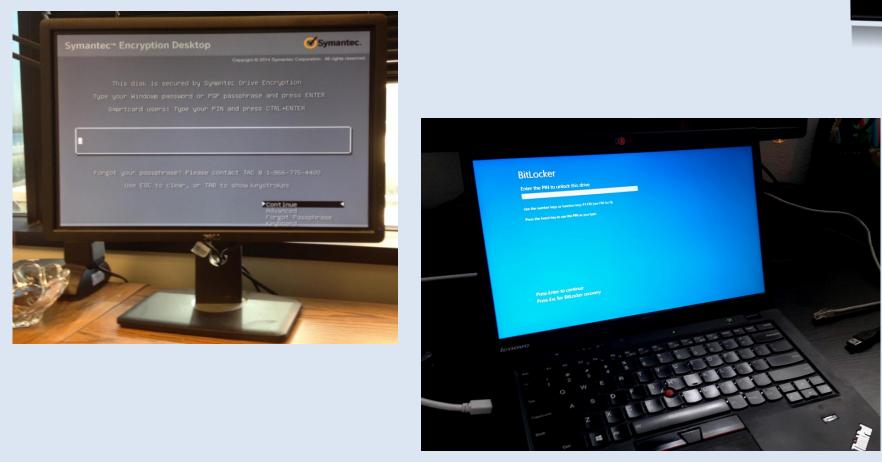
Software Installation: You Install Software

**Free Software:** You install software and press "Next", then "Next" then "Finish"... Before you know it, you've installed additional pieces of Software without knowing it.



Read before you press Next... Uncheck boxes to install more than what you need.



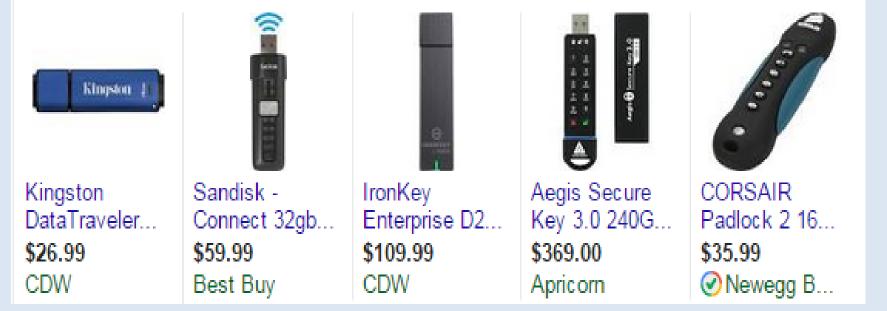


#### Encrypt it before it leaves your computer ...

Shop for encrypted usb drive on Google

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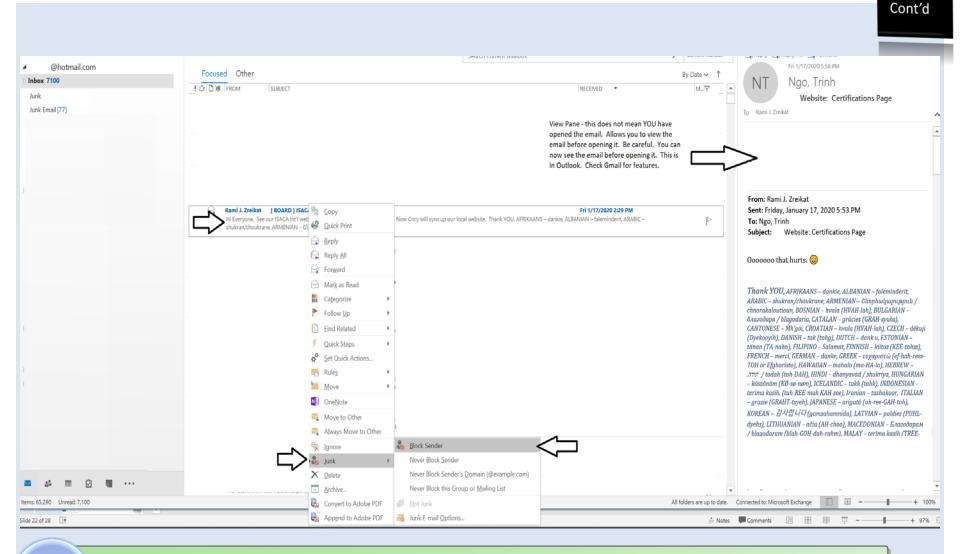
#### Encrypt it before it leaves you ... Use BitLocker for thumb Drives or purchase protected drives.

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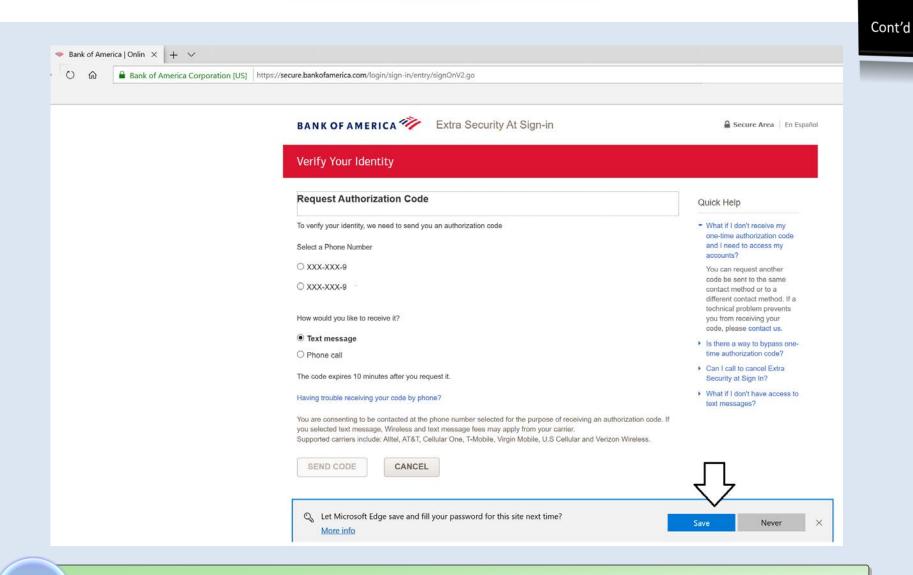
Use Case	Recommendation
Personal vs. Professional Use	<ul> <li>Avoid mixing personal and profession use</li> <li>Download ONLY reputable software</li> </ul>
Malware Protection	<ul> <li>Purchase reputable anti-virus</li> <li>Purchase reputable anti-malware</li> <li>Turn signature updates and real-time protection on</li> </ul>
Patching	<ul> <li>Subscribe to on-line patching services</li> <li>Follow operating system updates</li> </ul>
Bluetooth	<ul> <li>Turn off Bluetooth and automatic pairing</li> </ul>
Wireless & Routers	<ul> <li>Turn on strong router security</li> <li>Change the administrative password</li> <li>Turn off SSID broadcast feature (optional)</li> </ul>
Mobile Text Message	<ul> <li>Some text messages will redirect you automatically to open your mobile browser. Android is vulnerable and may download viruses onto your phone</li> </ul>
Back up YOUR Computer	<ul> <li>Purchase a USB or an external device and BACKUP your computer ALWAYS!!!</li> <li>Ransomware only affect immediately connected devices ONLY (e.g., you download Ransomware while you are backing up) – be careful!!!</li> </ul>

Use Case	Recommendation			
Passwords	<ul> <li>Change default passwords</li> <li>Use complex passwords</li> <li>Change your passwords frequently</li> <li>Use different passwords or use a Password Manager</li> <li>Use passwords as passphrase "<u>!LoveBa\$eB@II</u>"</li> <li>If you must, use the same password but different letters</li> <li>Don't sign on as an administrator to your computer, created a limited access account</li> </ul>			
Firewalls	Turn firewall protection on			
Email Protection	<ul> <li>Don't open emails from unknown senders</li> <li>Don't open the link from the email</li> <li>Don't open attachments within emails</li> <li>Copy, and then paste the link into the browser, do NOT press the link with the email</li> <li>Hover over and see details of the link in your browser</li> <li>However with the mouse and the cursor over email address to see the sender full email if you know them</li> </ul>			
Social Media	<ul> <li>Do NOT just befriend anyone</li> <li>Do NOT advertise your plans (e.g., out of city trips, travels, etc.)</li> <li>Be careful with your passwords; make them complex</li> <li>Do NOT auto logon to social media</li> </ul>			

Use Case	Recommendation
Public WIFI (e.g., Starbucks©)	<ul> <li>Review the hotspot link to make sure it is legitimate</li> <li>Surf only the Internet</li> <li>Do NOT log on to your social media</li> <li>Do NOT log on to you financial accounts</li> <li>Do NOT log on to your email account</li> <li>Use a personal VPN on your laptop to surf the Internet</li> <li>Use your own mobile hotspot or buy a hotspot</li> </ul>
Mobile Apps (e.g., Bank Access)	<ul> <li>It's ok as long as you use the bank's app</li> <li>Ensure you subscribe to a second factor pin (e.g., authentication via a phone, phone call, or email for verification)</li> <li>Do NOT use the iPhone Browser to log on to banks</li> </ul>
Scam Calls	<ul> <li>Microsoft does not call you to resolve computer issues</li> <li>IRS, EDD, FTB or any legitimate government agency will not call you with threats. You will receive letters first</li> </ul>
Online Shopping	<ul> <li>Use strong Password</li> <li>Use second factor authentication (e.g., email of a pin to your phone) for verification</li> <li>Use PayPal for shopping and/or sign up for fraud protection with your Credit Card</li> </ul>



Mark as JUNK (Microsoft Outlook©) otherwise Press Hold <u>SHIFT</u> + <u>DELETE</u> keys.



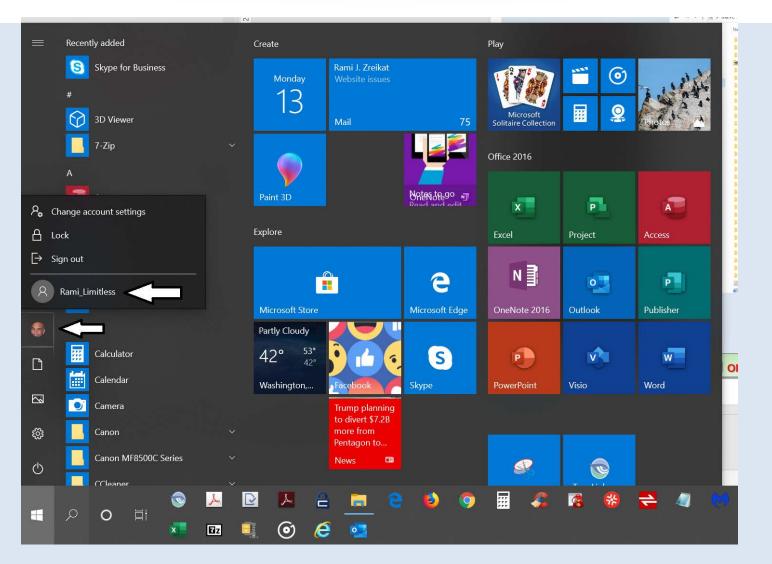
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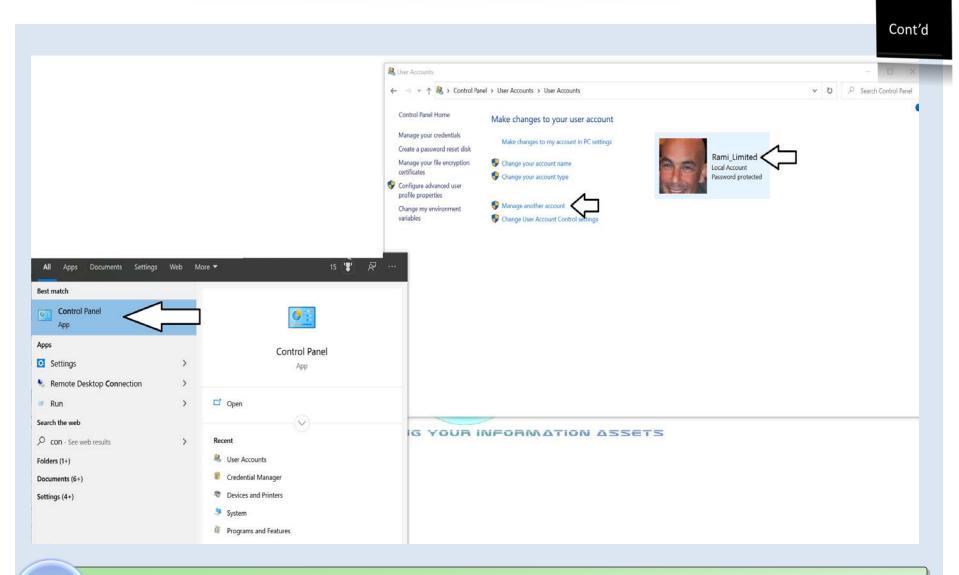
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Create Two User Accounts – and sign in with "Standard User" Account



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