

# BUILDING THE FUTURE

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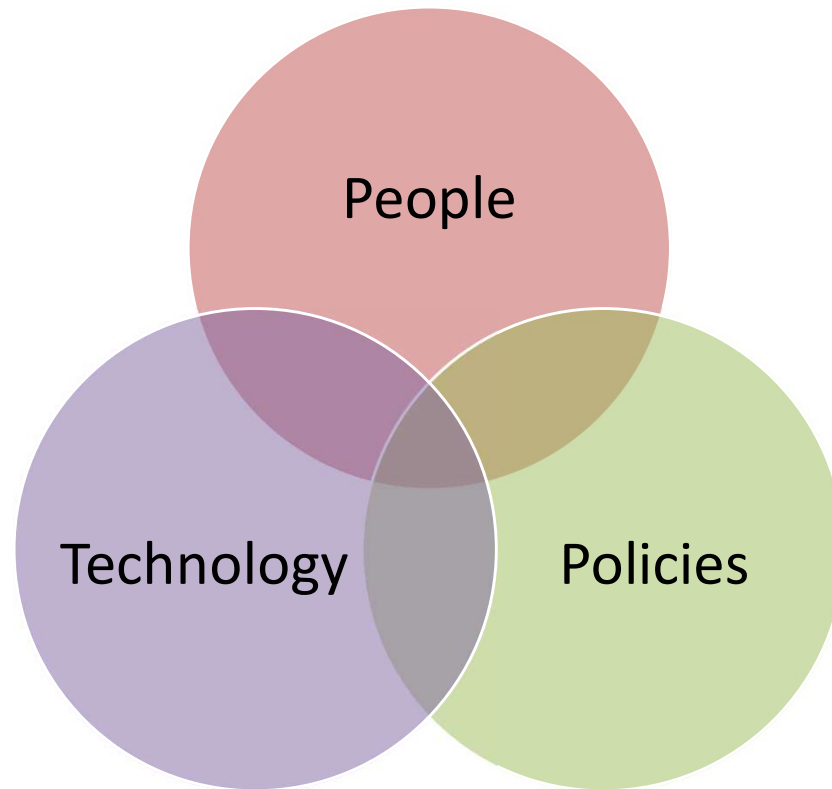
DON'T PANIC:

The Nerd's Playbook for Keeping Calm  
and Protecting your Digital World

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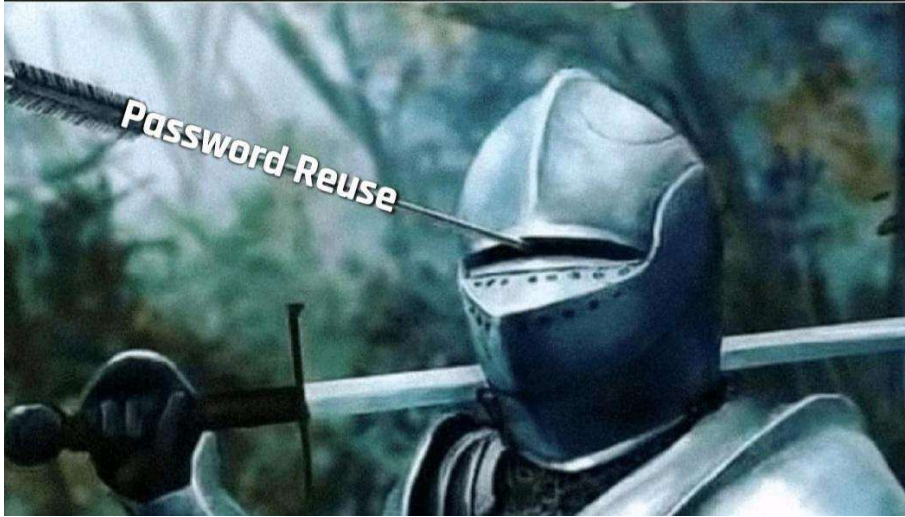
# Elements of cybersecurity



# Threat types

- Social Engineering
- Phishing Attacks
- Ransomware
- Malware
- Insider Threats
- Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) Attacks
- Denial of Service (DoS and DDoS) Attacks
- SQL Injection
- Zero-Day Exploits
- Unpatched Software





## **Keep your secrets**

If it's free you're the product

If it's not free you're also the product

Don't give out details if you don't need to



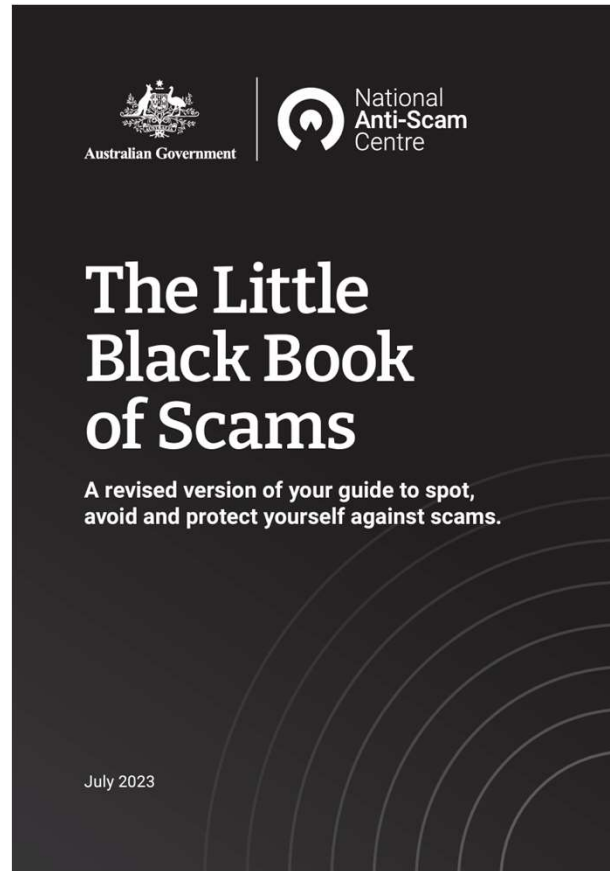
# User Security Tools



TRUST NO ONE



# Not just at work





# Education is Key

- Regular recurring training engagements
- Relevant, curated and updated content
- Measured Results



# ASD Essential 8

The Australian Signals Directorate has prioritised mitigation strategies to help organisations protect themselves against various cyber threats. The most effective of these strategies are referred to as the Essential 8.

You can assess your security posture versus your risk appetite to determine your maturity model and apply any security hardening and cyber resiliency measures required.



# The simple ones

Configure Microsoft Office  
macro settings

Patch operating systems

Patch applications



# The serious ones

Application control

User application hardening

Restrict administrative privileges



# The SUPER serious ones

MULTI FACTOR ON EVERYTHING

TESTED BACKUPS & DISASTER  
RECOVERY



# Business Essentials

- An email security filter service
- Automated patch management
- AntiVirus + Endpoint Detection and Response (with a SOC)
- A regularly tested backup process
- A managed IT service



# Helpful Tools

For real this time, I promise

- **Microsoft Secure Score**  
[security.microsoft.com/securescore](https://security.microsoft.com/securescore)
- **Have I Been Pwn3d?**  
[haveibeenpwned.com](https://haveibeenpwned.com)
- **ASD Essential 8**  
[cyber.gov.au](https://cyber.gov.au)
- **Scamwatch**  
[scamwatch.gov.au](https://scamwatch.gov.au)
- **Darknet Diaries podcast**  
[darknetdiaries.com](https://darknetdiaries.com)



# Takeaways

- Training is critical
- Be skeptical, ask IT
- MULTI FACTOR ON EVERYTHING
- TEST YOUR DRP & BCP





# Keep In Touch



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