

# Spam Spotters

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The address it has come from		
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Links and attachments		

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# Spam Spotters Answers

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The subject	<p>Any subject that shows as something that you might expect to receive, e.g.</p> <p>Homework research</p> <p>Birthday party list</p>	<p>Any subject that could be for anyone and would tempt you to open the email, e.g.</p> <p>Re: winner!! Click here!</p> <p>Sale now on!</p>
The address it has come from	<p>An address you recognise, either from someone you know or a company you are expecting something from, e.g.</p> <p><u>Penelope.m17@twinkl.co.uk</u></p> <p><u>parceltracking@toyshop.com</u></p>	<p>An unknown address or a general marketing address, e.g.</p> <p><u>Autosales@supermarket.com</u></p> <p><u>Bankgyh128.search@search.net</u></p>
Who it is addressed to (Dear...)	<p>Addressed to you personally, e.g.</p> <p>Thank you for contacting us, Mira...</p> <p>Dear Mr McHale...</p>	<p>No name or personalised introduction, e.g.</p> <p>Dear valued customer...</p> <p>Here's something you might like...</p>
Links and attachments	<p>The only attachments are expected pictures and documents.</p> <p>Links will be for confirming email addresses or tracking orders, etc.</p>	<p>Attachments may be examples of marketing material or could even be dangerous. They may have an unusual name.</p> <p>Links may be to sales websites, etc.</p>

How can you avoid receiving spam?

*Only enter an email address if you trust the website. Always look for a box that gives the option to 'opt out' of further emails. Move any spam emails into your junk mail when you get them.*

What should you do with a spam email?

*Delete it or mark it as junk mail immediately. Do not open it or click links or attachments, especially if they appear suspicious.*