

Spam Spotters

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Spam Spotters Answers

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The address it has come from	An address you recognise, either from someone you know or a company you are expecting something from, e.g. <u>Penelope.m17@twinkl.co.uk</u> <u>parceltracking@toyshop.com</u>	An unknown address or a general marketing address, e.g. <u>Autosales@supermarket.com</u> <u>Bankgyhl28.search@search.net</u>
Who it is addressed to (Dear...)	Addressed to you personally, e.g. Thank you for contacting us, Mira... Dear Mr McHale...	No name or personalised introduction, e.g. Dear valued customer... Here's something you might like...
Links and attachments	The only attachments are expected pictures and documents. Links will be for confirming email addresses or tracking orders, etc.	Attachments may be examples of marketing material or could even be dangerous. They may have an unusual name. Links may be to sales websites, etc.

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.