

# Power Up Your Online Security With Passphrases

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Holly,

If you're still using a single-word password to protect your online accounts, you may be more susceptible to being hacked. Not only are single-word passwords difficult to remember and change, but they're also easier for hackers to crack.

Enter, the use of the passphrase, which packs more protection than any single-word password, no matter how complex. While passwords are a minimum of 12 characters, passphrases should be at least four words and 15 characters in length. They can be a silly sentence, or a list of things in your house. Examples include: "SomeDayIWillLikeLiver," "IHeartMyRubberDucky," or "Closet Lamp Hat Door Table." Plus, passphrases are much easier to remember.

**Below are six simple tips to use when creating strong passphrases. Get creative!**

1. Create a long passphrase – at least four words and 15 characters
2. Do not use personal information – like your birthday or name
3. Avoid well-known movies, quotes, and song lyrics
4. Be unpredictable
5. Make it memorable for you
6. Create a unique passphrase for each site

Until next time, please continue to stay safe online. Watch your inbox for more ways to protect your online presence and personal information.

Learn about other ways to safeguard yourself by visiting the [Security Center](#).

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