

**How security-conscious are you ?
A self-assessment test**

This is a very simple questionnaire, just to assess your awareness and concern for security in general.

The questions are very simple. Most questions are not related to computers or Internet etc. They have been deliberately shuffled up and presented in a random, unrelated order. They can all be answered with a YES or a NO.

After you finish the questionnaire -- DO NOT -- count your score. Wait for instructions.

Be honest to yourself when you answer these questions

Just put a tick mark in YES or NO, like this :: 

		YES	NO
1.	<i>Do you clear your desk everyday, of all papers and documents before you leave office ?</i>		
2.	<i>Do you know how "cookies" work in the web ?</i>		
3.	<i>Do you always physically destroy your old and unusable media e.g. floppy diskettes /CDROM/ DVD ?</i>		
4.	<i>Do you always make sure all</i>		

	<i>your passwords are strong (at least 8 characters long , mixed case, mixed alphas and numerals) ?</i>		
5.	<i>Do you change your passwords frequently ?</i>		
6.	<i>Do you own a paper shredder ?</i>		
7.	<i>Do you have a public-key/private key for secure communications with you ?</i>		
8.	<i>Do you regularly look at your web cookies file and identify the sources which deposited these cookies on your PC ?</i>		
9.	<i>Do you systematically lock you car / two-wheelers , even when they are parked inside your house/office/garage ?</i>		
10.	<i>Do you subscribe to any magazines, journals or electronic mailing lists which specialise in security risks and vulnerabilities (of any kind) ?</i>		
11.	<i>Do you refuse to sign any paper if you have not read it thoroughly and peacefully ?</i>		
12.	<i>Do you know the name of your post man ?</i>		
13.	<i>Do you avoid pronouncing your name whenever you pick up the phone to answer a call ?</i>		
14.	<i>Do you check your bank passbook regularly, every time it</i>		

	<i>is updated by your bank ?</i>		
15.	<i>After you finish a hearty meal in a restaurant, do you actually total up the bill whenever it is presented to you ?</i>		
16.	<i>When you write a cheque, do you record systematically on the counterfoil of your cheque, the amount and person to whom the cheque was made ?</i>		
17.	<i>Do you remember at least one instant where you made a serious security lapse ?</i>		
18.	<i>Do you have the habit of actually counting and verifying the change you get when you buy something ?</i>		
19.	<i>Can you recognise a counterfeit Rs. 500 currency note ?</i>		
20.	<i>Did you read each of the above questions more than once before responding ?</i>		

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