

Was Scammed: The Dangers of Online Dating

Online dating has become a popular way to meet new people, but it is important to be aware of the dangers. Scammers often use online dating sites to target unsuspecting victims. They may pose as potential partners, only to eventually swindle you out of your money or personal information.



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According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), romance scams cost Americans more than \$500 million in 2021. These scams typically involve a scammer creating a fake online profile and pretending to be interested in a romantic relationship with the victim. The scammer will then gain the victim's trust and eventually ask for money. In some cases, scammers may also ask for personal information, such as Social Security numbers or bank account numbers.

Financial scams are another common type of scam that occurs on online dating sites. These scams typically involve the scammer pretending to be a wealthy individual who is looking for a partner to invest in their business or

to help them with financial management. The scammer will then convince the victim to send them money or to invest in their business. However, the scammer will eventually disappear with the victim's money.

Identity theft is another serious threat that can occur on online dating sites. Scammers may use fake profiles to collect personal information from victims. This information can then be used to steal the victim's identity or to commit other crimes.

There are a number of things you can do to help avoid being scammed on online dating sites. First, be wary of anyone who asks for money or personal information too soon. Second, do your research and make sure that the person you are talking to is who they say they are. Third, never share your financial information or personal information with someone you do not know and trust.

If you think you have been scammed, report it to the FTC and to the online dating site. You can also contact your local police department.

Here are some additional tips to help you avoid being scammed on online dating sites:

- Be wary of anyone who seems too good to be true
- Never send money to someone you have not met in person
- Never share your financial information or personal information with someone you do not know and trust
- Do your research and make sure that the person you are talking to is who they say they are
- Meet in a public place for your first date

- Tell a friend or family member where you are going and who you are meeting

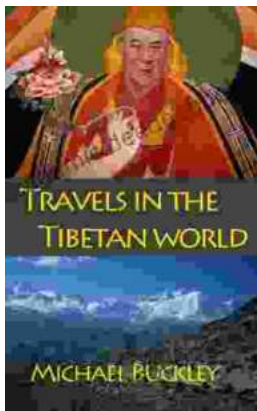
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