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Protect yourself from fraud

1. Take it slow

Scammers move fast. They profess love or deep feelings within days or weeks. Real relationships take time.

2. Be sceptical of “too perfect” profiles

Check for inconsistencies or overly glamorous photos. Do a reverse image search using Google Images.

3. Verify identities

Insist on video call or in-person meeting. If they refuse, it's a red flag.

4. Don't send money

No matter how convincing the story – sick relatives, business trouble, travel emergencies – never transfer money to someone you haven't met.

5. Do a background check

Check the Royal Malaysia Police's

(PDRM) Commercial Crime Investigation Department (CCID)'s online portal <https://semakmule.rmp.gov.my> for bank accounts, phone numbers or company names linked to fraudulent activities before making any financial transactions.

6. Talk to someone you trust

Run the situation by a friend or family member. They can often spot red flags you might overlook.

7. Protect your information

Never share personal details, photos or bank information with strangers online.

8. Report suspicious profiles

Help others stay safe by reporting fake accounts to dating apps or social media platforms.



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