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Shoo Hackers - Don't Bother Me!

Social Media is the fastest form of communication in the world. Everyone who is anyone is using social media. It can be used to contact a friend, dating, joining groups and organizations, raising awareness, protesting, posting pictures and the list goes on and on. Sounds great right? Social Media has been a life saver for some people. There have been inspirational stories about missing children or spouses being found. For others, social media may just be a way they can become their own little celebrity. Posting pictures and receiving lots of attention from friends and others can make you feel like a superstar.

In all of this, there are those that enjoy corrupting our computers and surfing ventures. These people are called Computer Hackers. They appear to be highly educated about computer systems and they use their talent and skills for tomfoolery. Computer Hackers know how to create fake profiles on social media websites. Hackers prey on computer access for their own personal gain. Some hackers enjoy writing rude messages to people on their friend's list just to make the other person upset and ruin their day. Other scammers use deception to steal your money. Be aware, some computer hackers are sex predators. Either way it goes, computer hackers are shady people and they should be exposed.

There are many ways to protect yourself from computer hackers. Protect your page on whatever social media website you are associated with. Do not put your personal information on the site. It would be wise to not post provocative pictures of yourself that would attract sexual predators. And if you receive a rude and distasteful message from someone who you do not know, report them and then block them from your friend's list so they are unable to contact you ever again. And never, ever, ever send money because your "friend" is trapped out of the country and needs money to get back home or send money because you have won some international lottery. Social media should be a fun experience, please protect yourself. If it sounds shady – assume that it is. If it sounds too good to be true – assume that it is. When on the internet, think defense, defense, defense.

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