



The Sneaky Message

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Arjun sat comfortably on his favorite beanbag, his tablet glowing with the colors of his favorite game. He loved his evening digital time, feeling a sense of excitement and adventure as he explored new worlds and chatted with his friends online.



Suddenly, a vibrant pop-up message flashed across the screen, interrupting his game with bright, flashing letters. It announced that he had won a magnificent prize and urged him to click a link right away to claim his reward.



Arjun's eyes sparkled with joy as he imagined getting rare game coins or a special new avatar to show his friends. He reached out his finger, hovering just inches above the screen, ready to tap the tempting link without a second thought.



Just then, his older sister Meera walked into the room and noticed the strange message on his tablet. She leaned in closer, her expression turning serious as she advised Arjun to wait because the message looked suspicious.



Meera sat down beside him and gently explained that this was likely a phishing scam, a trick used to fool people into giving away information. She told him that scammers often use excitement and urgency to make people act before they think.



Taking his sister's advice, Arjun looked at the message again and noticed several misspelled words and a very long, confusing web address. These small mistakes, which he hadn't seen before, made him realize the message was not from a real company.



Meera explained that real businesses communicate professionally and never ask for personal details through random pop-up links. Arjun felt a wave of relief wash over him, realizing he had almost fallen for a clever digital trap.



With a newfound sense of confidence, Arjun pressed the delete button and watched the sneaky message disappear forever. He felt proud that he had chosen to be safe and responsible instead of following a hollow promise.



The next day at school, Arjun gathered his friends at the lunch table to tell them about the sneaky message and what Meera had taught him. His friends listened intently, realizing that they needed to be careful when they were playing games online too.



From that day on, Arjun became a smart digital explorer who always followed three simple rules. He learned to pause before clicking, look for mistakes in messages, and keep his personal information private to stay safe in the online world.