

# Hitting cyber-security reset button for 2021

Here are some ways suggested by experts during ST's webinar to protect yourself, your family and your work online in this new digital era.



## Device segregation

Parents and children should ideally be using different devices for work and schoolwork, respectively. If that is not possible, set up different user accounts on a device so that workflows do not mix.



## Assess where your security risks lie

Just as you would be extra vigilant with your passport and credit card when you travel, you should be aware of your important digital assets such as your e-mail account that, if compromised, will have a big negative impact. Protect these by limiting access and creating strong passwords.



## Be suspicious of unusual requests

Always be on your guard against unfamiliar demands

coming from seemingly familiar sources. If your best friend texts you asking for your WhatsApp 6-digit PIN, ask yourself why he would be doing so. Then call your friend to check if it's really him.



## Be aware of the trade-off for 'free' digital services

What is the hidden cost you are paying when you install an Android set-top box in your home network, or when you use a free virtual private network (VPN) service? You may be doing the digital equivalent of leaving your door unlocked for strangers you know nothing about.