

Journal Entry 6

Question: How can you spot fake websites? Compare three fake websites (don't access those sites, of course) to three real websites. What makes the fake websites fake?

Answer: When comparing authentic websites, to ones that are not, there are many ways to be able to tell the difference. For instance, individuals always must analyze the source link, the reason this is very important, is that it can help you build trustworthiness on the website and being able to determine if it is fake or not. The second way to be able to determine if a website is fake or not, is being able to check the domain name and the URL. The reason this is a important factor is that, you are able to compare the difference between , the real site and fake one after accessing the real one, to make sure the domain name and the URL , match up accordingly. Furthermore, fake websites are recently made, and have not been on the internet for too long, so make sure to always, check the domain age, to verify this matter. The first scam website, that I have come across, is a BBQ warehouse scam site. Which shows prices that are too good to be true and urges a customer to buy their product quickly. The real BBQ warehouse website shows prices that are dropped down, only 15 percent, and more than 140 reviews for the website. The second website, that I have come across, is a fake Amazon warehouse website. The way I was able to tell that this website was fake, is that it asks for an alternative method such as e transfer, normal websites will be able to have a secure payment system. The real amazon website has a secure payment system and have a private policy which they follow. The final fake website, that I will compare, to a real one, is a fake tiffany & Co website. The way a person can identify that this website is not real, is that the official website, explicitly states that their products are sold through there official country specific platforms.

Sources: <https://www.expressvpn.com/blog/list-of-scam-shopping-websites/>

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