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Myths about mobile security and facts that debunk them

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Security Simplified

1 Mobile phones are NOT VULNERABLE to cyber attacks.



In Jan 2018, Quick Heal detected an Android Trojan that targeted **232 mobile apps**. These apps also included ones offered by **banks in India**.

Source: Quick Heal Security Labs

2 Clicking on any link in a text or WhatsApp message is OK.



Scammers circulate fake offers through WhatsApp messages. These will usually have **fake URLs**. Clicking these links might infect your device with a virus. It might also take you to a fake login page that steals sensitive data (credit card numbers, passwords, etc.)

Source: blogs.quickheal.com

3 Apps in official stores are 100% SAFE.



Google removed **700,000** potentially harmful or deceiving apps from its store in 2017.

Source: techcrunch.com

4 Ransomware only targets computers & NOT PHONES.



Simplocker was the **first mobile ransomware** that could encrypt data stored on a phone. It occurred in in 2014.

Source: tomguide.com

5 There's NO malware for iOS devices.



A malware called **Pegasus** surfaced in Aug 2017. It could steal an infected iOS device's data and spy on its user.

Source: wikipedia.org