Cybersecurity · Phishing Defense

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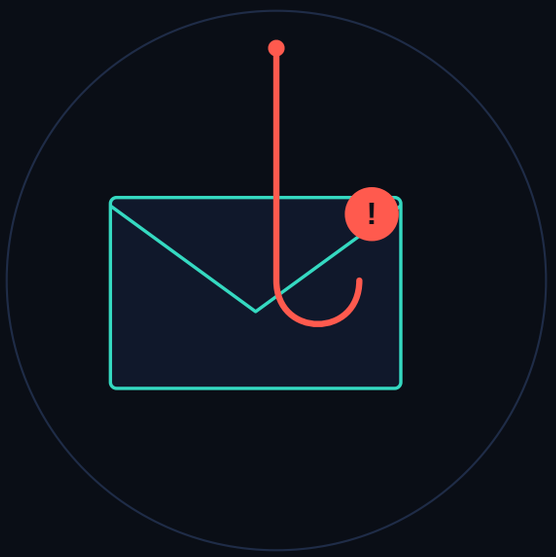
Catching the bait before it catches you.



Cybersecurity enthusiast focused on Phishing Awareness — learning how social engineering attacks work, and how to defend against them.

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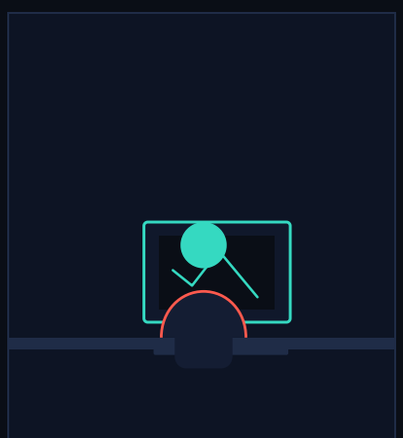
01 About Me



I'm **Mohammed Elwakeel**, a Cybersecurity enthusiast currently studying at **Arab Open University**, majoring in **Cybersecurity**.

My interest in security didn't start in a classroom — it started with a headline. On **July 15, 2020**, I read how **Twitter** was breached after attackers used nothing more than a phone-based phishing attack to trick employees into handing over their credentials — hijacking dozens of high-profile accounts in a matter of hours. I couldn't stop thinking about how something so simple could cause so much damage. That question turned into

curiosity, and curiosity turned into a genuine passion for understanding how social engineering attacks work, and more importantly, how to stop them.

Since then I've been building a solid foundation in networking, Linux systems, and traffic analysis, while continuously sharpening my skills in incident response, threat detection, and — above all — phishing awareness. I'm still early in this journey, and I keep learning through hands-on practice, research, and real-world case studies like this one.

02 Education

Expected 2028

Arab Open University

Bachelor's Degree, Cybersecurity

Self-paced

Hands-on Learning & Certifications

Courses and platforms I've used to build my practical skill set

TryHackMe — Pre Security & Cyber Security 101

Cisco Packet Tracer — Networking Labs

Linux Fundamentals

CyberDefenders — SOC Training

03 Skills

I'm early in my career and still actively building depth in several of these — the levels below reflect where I genuinely stand today, not where I'd like to

appear.

Networking Fundamentals

Strong foundation

Linux Fundamentals

Strong foundation

Wireshark & Traffic Analysis

Comfortable in practice

Operating Systems & Administration

Developing steadily

Cryptography & Encryption

Developing steadily

Intrusion Detection & Prevention (IDS/IPS)

Actively building

Incident Response

Actively building

04 Offered Services

Phishing Simulation Campaigns

Controlled, safe simulated phishing tests to measure how a team

Phishing Awareness Content

Creating clear, easy-to-understand materials that explain what phishing is, how to spot it, and the

Email Threat Consultation

Reviewing suspicious emails or reported incidents and providing

responds — and where extra awareness is needed most.	practical steps people can take to protect themselves.	clear, practical guidance on how to respond.

05 Projects

Vulnerability Reporting — Bugcrowd & HackerOne

Explored public bug bounty programs and identified real vulnerabilities. I didn't know how to write a proper security report at first, so I researched report-writing standards and studied methodologies used by experienced researchers before submitting clear, professional write-ups explaining the issue, its impact, and how to fix it.

Vulnerability discovery · Report writing · Responsible disclosure

Network Simulation Labs — Cisco Packet Tracer

Built and tested small network topologies to practice routing, switching, and basic network security configurations in a safe, simulated environment.

Networking · Packet Tracer

Hands-on Practice — TryHackMe

Completed practical labs and rooms covering security fundamentals, giving me a safe environment to apply what I learned in real, guided scenarios.

Applied learning · Guided labs

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