

## Spôt the dôg. He's a SCAMp.

(The sneaky little worm)

On the internet, no one knows you're a dôg

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Account suspended due to
suspicious activity. Click the link
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Spôt is not always what you think he is. Click on the SCAMp

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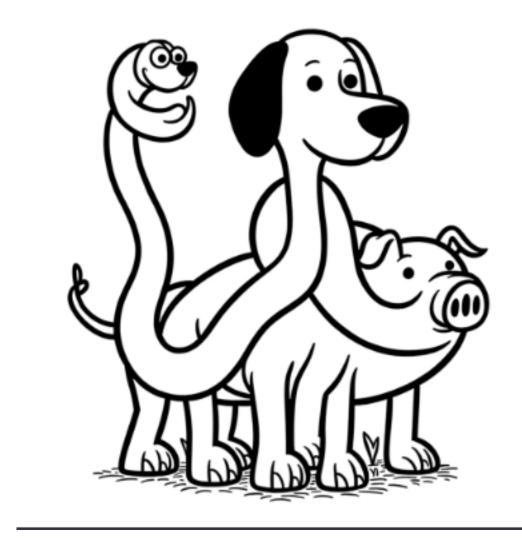
That's right! This is a cheap "top level domain" and that's not a bank.

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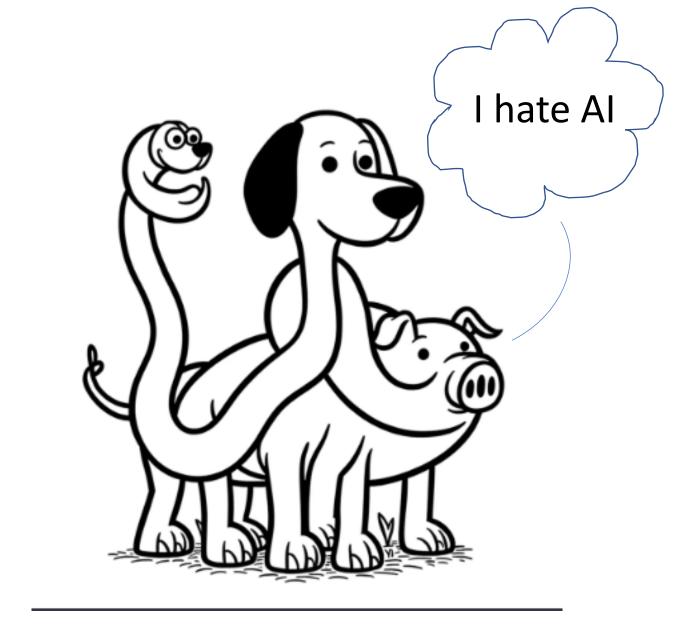
#### Parked on the Bun!



Lucky for you, it's not a scam either. But it might be soon. It's up for sale.



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## Good Spot. Good dog.

Top level domains that scammers don't typically buy:

- .com
- .co.uk
- .com.au (etc)
- .gov
- .net
- .ca

Domain +	Price +
Voice.com	\$30 million
360.com	\$17 million
NFTs.com	\$15 million
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If the word to the left is also short and common, then it's expensive and less likely to be owned by a scammer.

Scammer's domains get shut down often.

So they need cheap ones.

Sadly....



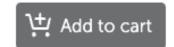
There are some <a href="https://cheap.com">cheap</a> .com top level domains.







**A\$15.63/yr** Retail A\$21.26/yr

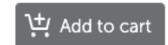


But .xyz is cheaper.

stupidlongnamehere.xyz

ONLY \$9.98 FOR 2 YEARS

**A\$3.04/yr** Retail A\$19.74/yr



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From: +1234567890

Dear Customer, Urgent Notice!!! We have deticted unauthorised activity on your account. To prevent permanent closure, you must verfiy your identity immediately. Click the link below to confirm your details: ID10T.bit.ly Do not ignore! Failure to act within 24 hours will result in account suspension.

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### So many stupid errors

- 1. Dear Customer:
  - 1. They don't know you
- 2. !!!
  - 1. Legitmate sources don't do this
- 3. Deticted
  - 1. Spelling error
- 4. Verfiy
  - 1. A typo
- 5. Immediately
  - 1. Call for urgency
- 6. Clink the link
  - 1. No. Don't
- 7. Bit.ly
  - 1. This is a URL shortener which hides the target scam site.
- 8. !
- 1. Again (!!!)
- 9. 24 hours
  - 1. Why so urgent?
- 10. Security Team
  - 1 Thou don't know who thou are



URL shortener

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It looks like you've uploaded an image that may represent a URL shortener, but the image is completely black and doesn't show any visible content. If you need assistance with a URL shortener or have a specific question about it, please provide more details or ensure that the image is visible so I can help you effectively.

it is spelled correctly?

#### ChatGPT

The image you uploaded appears to be completely black, and I am unable to extract any text or visual details from it. If there is supposed to be text in the image that you're inquiring about, I'm unable to verify the spelling. Please provide the text or a clearer image so I can assist you with your question about spelling.

You

ha ha you told me it looks like URL shortener now claim there is nothing there. Are you scamming me?

# ChatGPT 4 can be pretty weird.



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Here's where you come in. I need you to quickly transfer \$50,000 to the account details below. This is urgent and the future of our company could depend on it. **We do not have time to go through the usual channels** as the deal will expire within the next few hours.

I don't want us to miss out on this.

#### **Bark Details:**

Account Name: Dôg Fôôd Ôppôrtunities Inc.

Account Number: 123456789
Routing Number: 987654321
Bark: International Trust Bark

Please do this **immediately**. I am counting on you to not let this opportunity slip through our fingers. Our competitors are also on the lookout and we need to act fast!

I understand this is outside protocol, but I wouldn't ask if it wasn't crucial. I'll sort out the paperwork with finance and explain the situation to the board when I'm back.

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**EMOTIONS** 

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- Urgency and Pressure: The email is high-pressure to make you to act quickly without proper verification.
- Financial Request: A significant amount of money is.
- Unusual Circumstances:
   The scenario presented is quite outlandish and plays on the potential for huge gains for the company.
- Personal: The scammer has researched you from social
   \* We have a new threat with A.I.

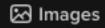
- Bypassing Protocols: This is a major red flag for fraud.
- Lack of Verification: Verification, like a pre-transfer phone call should be standard for such a critical financial request\*.
- Targeting Emotions: The scammer is trying to elicit an emotional response by talking about the potential negative impact on the company and the reliance on the recipient to resolve the issue. V
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Speechify is a **voice cloning** tool that lets you create natural sounding speech from any text or audio sample. You can use it for podcasts, ads, announcements, presentations, and more with multiple languages, emotion, and speed options.

It's not hard to find.



## Spôt SCAMp is sneaky.

He could get your loved-one's voice from

- A telephone voice message.
- A YouTube video.
- Podcasts.
- Interviews.
- Video conferences.
- Lectures.
- A public recording.
- A voice-chat.



## Naughty Spôt (sobbing and sniffing): [Using the cloned voice of the victim's relative]

"Dad. It's me (sniff). I've done something stupid and they've got my luggage."

**Victim**: "Who? What happened? Are you okay?"

Naughty Spôt: "No. They kidnapped me. I'm being held until I pay it off. It's embarrassing, but I gambled a bit too much, and now I owe money that I don't have and I can't even get my passport. They're not joking around. If I don't pay \$20,000 by tomorrow, I don't know what they'll do. Please, you're the only one I can turn to. Don't tell Mom. Pleeeeeeez?

**Victim**: "This is so unlike you! But of course, I'll help. How do I get you the money?"

**Naughty Spôt**: "Thank you. You can't tell anyone, especially not mom. It would just make things worse.

I know you don't know how to use BitCoin but it's the fastest way and I'll tell you how to do it (sniff). Please? You have to do it quickly. They're scaring me.

What about video?

**Impersonation Scams**: Spôt could create videos where he deep-fakes the likeness and voice of a trusted individual: CEO, public figure, or family member

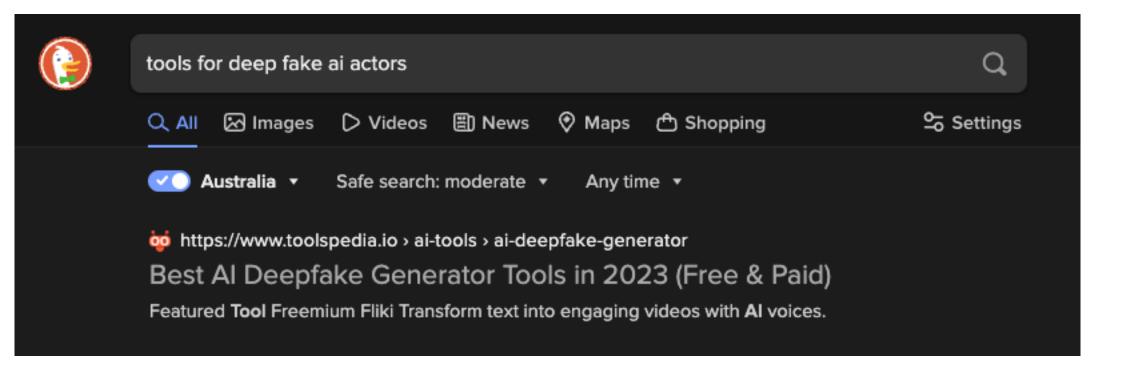
**Blackmail**: By creating compromising videos of individuals, Spôt could engage in extortion, demand payment or action to prevent the release of the fabricated material.

**Disinformation Campaigns**: Spôt could use deep-fakes to create false narratives and spread disinformation, potentially swaying public opinion or causing unrest.

**Legal and Political Manipulation**: Spôt could fabricate evidence to discredit individuals in legal cases or influence political processes and elections.

**Corporate Espionage**: By faking communications from company executives, Spôt could initiate fraudulent transactions or steal trade secrets.





It's not hard to find.

- Verification: Always verify the authenticity of unusual or unexpected communications.
- Education: Stay informed about the technology.
- **Critical Analysis**: Look for inconsistencies like unnatural movements and more.
- Technology Solutions: Use AI detection tools designed to spot deep-fakes
- Policies and Procedures: Implement and follow strict procedures for financial transactions.
- Legal Frameworks: Support the development of legal frameworks that regulate the creation and distribution of deep-fakes.



Sadly, there is much more to say about Spôt SCAMp. He's a naughty boy.

But here are three takeaways:

- Stay educated
- Be suspicious
- Follow protocol



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