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"If you are looking at employment or business opportunities online, watch out for scams," Tams

Here are some tips for sidestepping scams:

1. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is! Any offer that promises to make you rich

For that reason, multilevel marketing (MLM) has gotten a bad rap. Granted, there may be some l

2. Be especially wary of any company that requires an initial investment to get involved.

3. Be leery of anyone who uses hard-sell tactics or pushes you to sign up right away. Take you

4. Double-check the reputation of a company before signing up for its program. Get at least th

5. Read the fine print before you sign anything. If you don't understand an agreement, have a

6. Make sure there is an out. Before you sign ANYTHING, find out what the procedure is to with

How to check out a scam or potential ^business~ opportunity:

1) Contact your local Better Business Bureau (BBB). The national BBB web site is [www.bbb.org/](http://www.bbb.org/).

2) Check the Scambusters

3) Go to WorldWideScam, offers a funny insight into some of the more outrageous scams in circu

4) Visit the MLM Survivor Site. Here you can check out any potential MLM opportunities to see

5) The United States Postal Inspection Service offers several pages on its web site about scam  
[www.usps.com/postalinspectors/](http://www.usps.com/postalinspectors/)

6) The Federal Trade Commission offers information on work-at-home schemes, medical billing, b

7) The National Consumer League's National Fraud Information Center offers information on pyra

HAVE YOU BEEN VICTIMIZED BY SCAM?

If you fall victim to a scam let others know so that you can protect them from falling prey to

1) Contact the attorney general in your local state.

- 2) File a complaint with the Better Business Bureau in the fraudulent business' native state.
- 3) Report it to the Federal Trade Commission. Call them at 1-800-876-7060 or visit their web s
- 4) List them with the Internet Fraud Complaint Center at [www.ifccfbi.gov](http://www.ifccfbi.gov)
- 5) Take action by reporting any spam emailers to [www.Spamcop.net](http://www.Spamcop.net) and [www.abuse.net](http://www.abuse.net)

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