Grinch-Proof Your Holiday Shopping

More than $265 million was reported lost due to shopping-related cyber-scams, according to a study by the FBI\(^1\).

Don’t let a cyber-grinch ruin your holiday; follow these tips for a secure shopping experience this season.

- When making purchases, check for URLs that begin with “https” and include a “lock” icon in your browser to ensure the site is secure.
- Consider using a legitimate payment service like PayPal when purchasing online; don’t provide financial information directly to sellers.
- Be wary of “confirmation” e-mails; if it’s not a product or service you remember purchasing, it may be a phishing attempt.