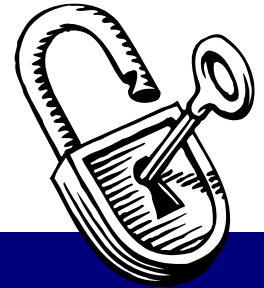




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# STEPS:

- 1. Copy this article on your notebook.**
- 2. Underline technical vocabulary.**
- 3. Read and analyze the article.**
- 4. In groups of 4 students, prepare an explanation about the article.**
- 5. Share your points of view to the class.**



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**Network security** consists of the policies adopted to prevent and monitor authorized access, misuse, modification, or denial of a computer network and network-accessible resources. Network security involves the authorization of access to data in a network, which is controlled by the network administrator. Users choose or are assigned an ID and password or other authenticating information that allows them access to information and programs within their authority. Network security covers a variety of computer networks, both public and private, that are used in everyday jobs; conducting transactions and communications among businesses, government agencies and individuals. Networks can be private, such as within a company, and others which might be open to public access. Network security is involved in organizations, enterprises, and other types of institutions. It does as its title explains: It secures the network, as well as protecting and overseeing operations being done. The most common and simple way of protecting a network resource is by assigning it a unique name and a corresponding password.



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Network security starts with [authenticating](#), commonly with a username and a password. Since this requires just one detail authenticating the user name —i.e., the password— this is sometimes termed one-factor authentication. With [two-factor authentication](#), something the user 'has' is also used (e.g., a [security token](#) or 'dongle', an [ATM card](#), or a [mobile phone](#)); and with three-factor authentication, something the user 'is' also used (e.g., a [fingerprint](#) or [retinal scan](#)).

Once authenticated, a [firewall](#) enforces access policies such as what services are allowed to be accessed by the network users.<sup>[1]</sup> Though effective to prevent unauthorized access, this component may fail to check potentially harmful content such as [computer worms](#) or [Trojans](#) being transmitted over the network. [Anti-virus software](#) or an [intrusion prevention system](#) (IPS) help detect and inhibit the action of such [malware](#). An [anomaly-based intrusion detection system](#) may also monitor the network like wireshark [traffic](#) and may be logged for audit purposes and for later high-level analysis.

Communication between two hosts using a network may be encrypted to maintain privacy.