Smartphones Can Make Anyone Look Stupid

Kevin D. Murray, CPP, CISM, CFE, MPSC







Simple Mistakes

Drownings

Spyware

Photos

Backups

The Lost Phone Trick





Simple Phone / Tablet Mistakes

- Applying weird do-it-yourself hacks.
- Not properly cleaning your phone.
- Not having a protective case.









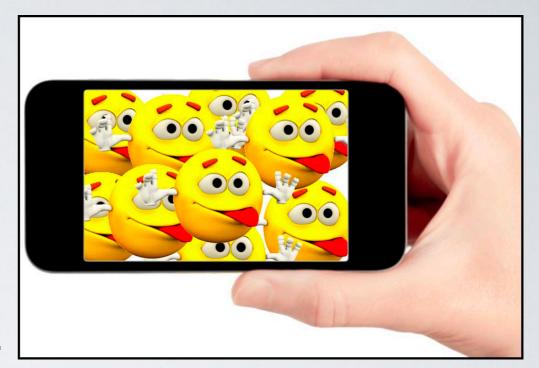
- Loosely holding your phone when on the street.
- Putting the phone in a pocket, without a cover.

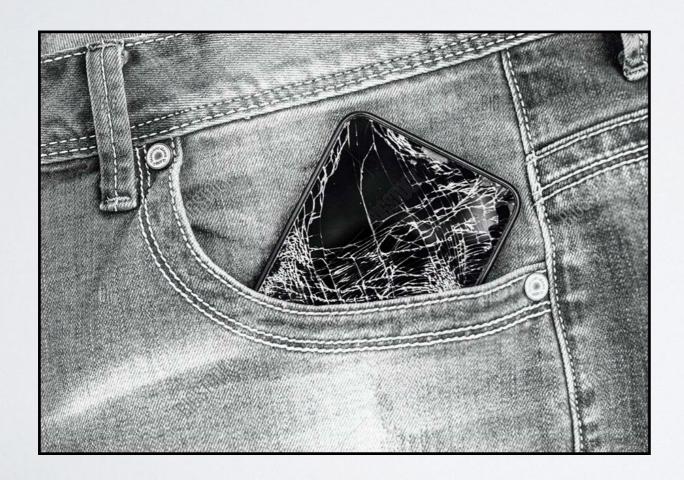






- Leaving it in direct sunlight.
- Carelessly plugging in connectors.
- Ignoring updates.
- Carrying you phone in certain pockets.



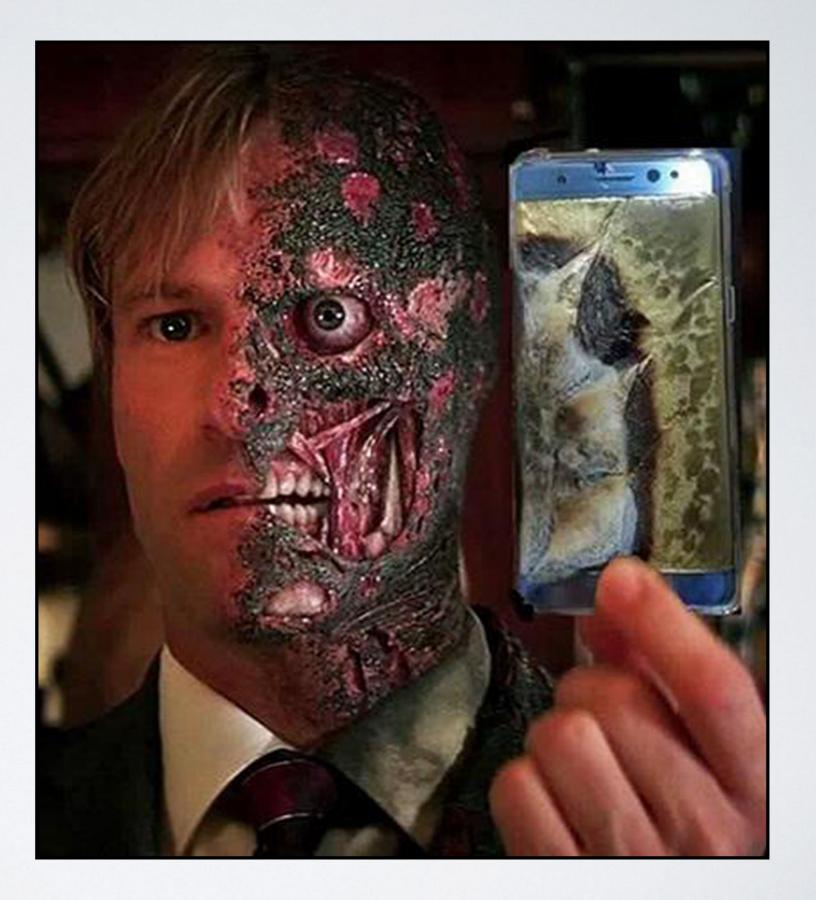






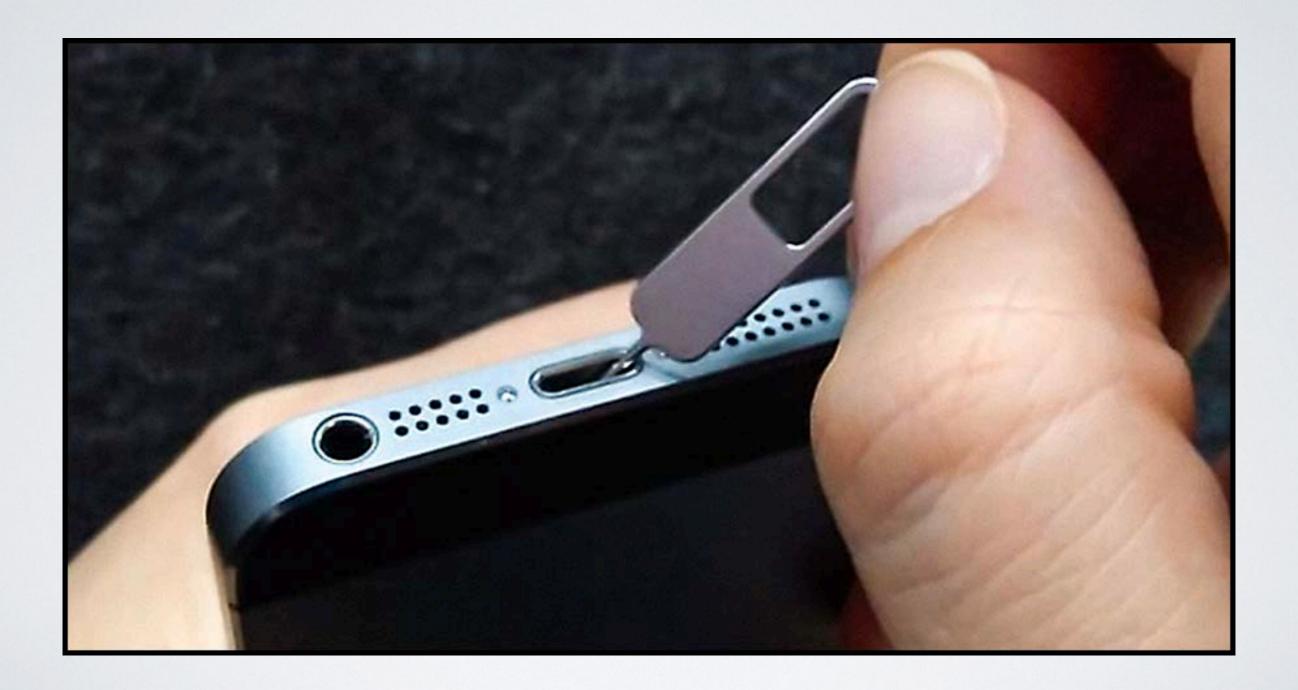


■ Using cheap, or phony replacement batteries and/or chargers.





■ Cleaning out cavities yourself.







Drownings

Do's (if possible)

- I. Turn phone off.
- 2. Remove the battery.
- 3. Remove the SIM card.
- 4. Try to get as much water as you can out by shaking it. Then, use compressed air (very carefully) or a vacuum cleaner with small attachment to get the rest out.
- 5. Leave it in front of a fan to evaporate residual moisture.
- 6. Packing the phone in silica gel is good, if you have some handy. The rice thing is a bit of an old wive's tale, but a last resort.
- 7. Alternative Get to Staples and use their TekDry service.





Drownings

Dont's

- Toilet text.
- **■** Panic.
- Use a hair dryer.
- Use kitty litter.
- Place the phone in direct sunlight.
- Use rubbing alcohol.
- Put the phone in an oven, freezer, or a microwave oven.







"I think my phone is bugged."

Murray's Rule of Thumb

One incident is coincidence.
Two incidences are suspicious.
Three incidences are a confirmation.

"Trust your instincts.

The thought would not have occurred to you if everything were okay."





What can it do? What can it take?

Phone Call recording

Phone Call interception

Spycall

Environment recording

Facebook Call Recording

Hangout Call Recording

LINE Call Recording

Skype Call Recording

Viber Call Recording

WhatsApp Call Recording

SMS Keyword deletion

RemCam

RemVid

Spoof SMS

Call logs

Facebook Call Logs

LINE Call Logs

Skype Call Logs

Viber Call Logs

WhatsApp Call Logs

Address book

SMS messages

MMS

Facebook Messenger

Hike Messenger

Kik Messenger

Instagram Direct Messages

LINE Messages

Skype Messages

Viber Messages

WhatsApp Messages

Hangout Messages

QQ Messages

Telegram Messages

Tinder Messages

WeChat Message

Browsing activity

Browser bookmarks

Network connections

Email

Application activity

Installed applications

Application Screenshots

Keylogger

Photos

Videos

Audio files

Wallpaper images

Calendar

Location tracking

Easy to install

Visibility Option

Dashboard Alerts

SIM Changed Notification

Call Notification Alert

Send Remote Commands from Web

SMS Remote Commands

Check Device Battery Status

Remotely uninstall the software

Remotely deactivate the software

Remotely restart device

Remotely change software features

Remote Upgrade

Renew Anytime

Run in Hidden Mode

Stop software from being uninstalled





- I. Your phone's battery life suddenly decreases.
- 2. Your phone periodically lights up for no apparent reason.
- 3. Your phone is unusually warm when you are not using it.
- 4. Your phone bill shows a spike in SMS (short message service), text, or data usage.
- 5. Odd background noises or clicking can be heard during calls.





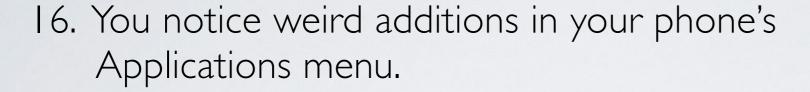
- 6. Friends often say your phone was busy or jumped straight to voice mail, when you know you were not using it.
- 7. Your phone beeps for no apparent reason.
- 8. Your Call Duration log shows entries that don't make sense to you.
- 9. Features of your phone that you didn't activate, such as call forwarding, are on.
- 10. Your phone frequently displays error messages such as "App Closed: Main" (or similar).





- 11. Your phone frequently displays "Message stuck in outbox" errors.
- 12. Your phone is slow to respond to keypad entries.
- 13. "No SMS credit" messages appear on the screen.
- 14. Your phone is receiving odd text messages (example: <^#83><2125551212><d>).
- 15. The Web icon appears for no apparent reason.







- 17. Your phone does not turn off as quickly as it once did.
- 18. Specific details of your calls are being mentioned to you by others.
- 19. Your phone shows frequent phone transmissions when you are not using your phone.



Prevention

- Lock your phone with a password.
- Keep your phone in your possession at all times.
- Never loan your phone to someone else.
- Do not accept a phone given as a gift. It might be a Trojan Horse.
- Never install a free ring tone, wallpaper, a "cool app" or an e-mail attachment just sent you.
- Do not let your "friends" download anything for you either.
- Do not jailbreak your phone.





Prevention

- Use the most restrictive of your phone's settings for apps and Internet access.
- Limit the number of apps you download to the essentials. Spyware often masquerades as a "fun app."
- Use a dumb phone; it will not have the capacity to hold spyware.
- Use a CDMA-type phone if possible. Most current spyware is written for GSM phones.
- Keep your phone turned off as much as possible.



Prevention

- Change phones, SIM cards, and carriers once in a while.
- Consider using a prepaid phone.
- Android phone spyware evaluation app:



SpyWarn 2.0, available at Google Play.
Free to IAPSC members.
Just send me your receipt number and purchase date.







Photos

Losing vacation and work photos can make you look stupid, to your family, and clients.

- Make sure you have two copies of everything.
- Don't keep them in the same place.
- Back up photos to a laptop.
- Back up photos to a portable drive.
- Back up photos to the cloud.

Back up storage is inexpensive these days.





Backups

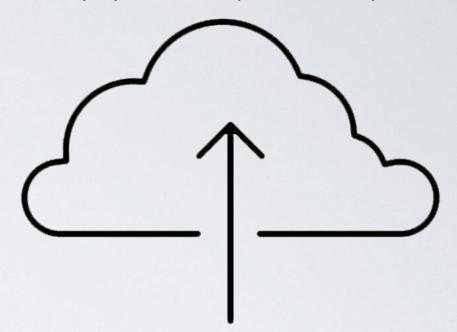
Free services:

- Google Drive (up to 15 GB)
- Microsoft OneDrive (up to 5 GB)
- Dropbox (up to 2 GB)
- Apple iCloud (up to 5 GB)
- Amazon's Cloud DrivePrime members unlimited storage

Paid services:

- Amazon
- Dropbox
- CrashPlan
- Mozy
- Carbonite

Backup your important photos.





Bollard Brothers, Inc. strikes again. They were not recommended by an IAPSC member.











iPhone: Sign in to icloud.com/find on a Mac or PC, or use the Find My iPhone app on another iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch.

Android: Go to android.com/find and sign in to your Google Account.

Sounds easy, but what if you lost it here, or the battery is dead?

Your only hope is a Good Samaritan finding you.







But how will they find you?

- You've password protected your phone.
- You didn't write your name on it. (The summer camp solution.)
- And, the screen shot of your cat is now making you look stupid.





But how will they find you?

- Writing on the phone can be erased.
- Engraving kills the resale value.
- A customized splash screen helps the Good Samaritan, and gives incentive to a thief, to get your phone back to you.







Creating Your Splash Screen

- What will your message be... reward, email, alt phone number, mailing address, property of...
- Pick the photo you want to use. Make sure there is a clear space for your message.
- Open your photo in a photo customization app.







Creating Your Splash Screen Photo apps that can add text.

- Word Swag
- Typorama
- Over
- PicMonkey
- **■** Canva
- **■** Phonto
- PicSee
- PicLab
- **■** Font Candy
- DesignLab
- ImageQuote







Creating Your Splash Screen

Directions for wallpapering your screen...

iPhones

https://apple.co/IScnAXM

iPads

https://apple.co/2Z5QXBz

Android phones

https://bit.ly/2lh3Flh

Android tablets

https://bit.ly/2P7Cssg



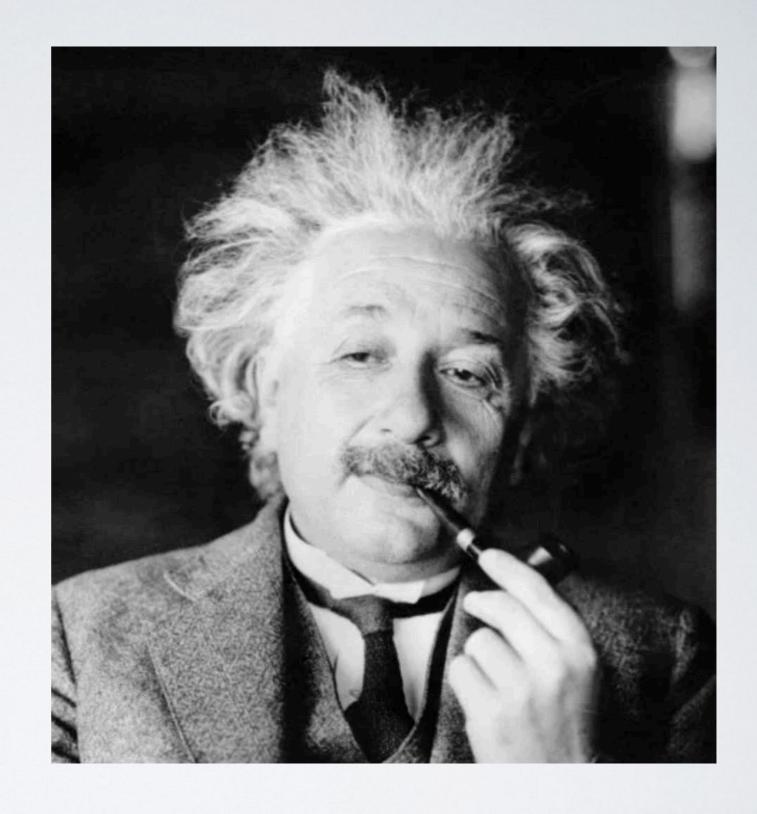




A bad haircut can make anyone look stupid.

And, good smartphone practices can make you look smart.

Thank you!







Smartphones Can Make Anyone Look Stupid

Kevin D. Murray, CPP, CISM, CFE, MPSC





