

IDIOMS ABOUT SECURITY

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1. Match each idiom with its correct definition.

Idiom	Meaning
1. The weakest link _____	A. A security flaw that allows unauthorized access.
2. Lock and key _____	B. A warning sign of danger or risk.
3. Backdoor _____	C. Someone or something that makes a system vulnerable.
4. Red flag _____	D. A situation that is both beneficial and risky.
5. Tip of the iceberg _____	E. A secure state where access is restricted.
6. In the line of fire _____	F. A small visible part of a much larger problem.
7. On the front lines _____	G. Being exposed to danger or criticism.
8. Playing with fire _____	H. Being directly involved in a challenging or risky situation.
9. The writing on the wall _____	I. Engaging in a risky action with potential bad consequences.
10. A double-edged sword _____	J. Clear signs that something bad is going to happen.

2. Complete the sentences with the correct idiom from the box.

(The weakest link, Lock and key, Backdoor, Red flag, Tip of the iceberg, In the line of fire, On the front lines, Playing with fire, The writing on the wall, A double-edged sword)

- The IT team discovered a _____ in the system, allowing hackers to enter without detection.
- Leaving your password written on a sticky note is a _____ when it comes to cybersecurity.
- The data breach we found yesterday might just be the _____ - there could be more serious issues we haven't detected yet.
- If one employee uses a weak password, they can become the _____ in the company's security.
- After the ransomware attack, all sensitive documents were kept under _____ to prevent further leaks.
- The new policy of allowing employees to work remotely is _____; it improves flexibility but increases security risks.
- The IT manager is _____, dealing with daily cyber threats and attacks.
- If you download software from unverified sources, you are _____ and might infect your device with malware.
- The company ignored all the warning signs, but the _____ was clear—a cyberattack was inevitable.
- The security analyst was _____ when the media blamed him for not preventing the attack.