

VPN CLAIMS VS. REALITY

WHAT IT DOES. WHAT IT DOESN'T.

KNOW WHAT YOU'RE ACTUALLY BUYING

01 **COMPLETE ANONYMITY**

FALSE HIDES YOUR IP. NOT YOUR IDENTITY.



Browser fingerprints, cookies, logins, and account activity can still identify you.

02 **FREE = PAID**

FALSE IF IT'S FREE, YOU MAY BE THE PRODUCT.



Many free VPNs log and sell browsing data. Choose an audited paid provider.

03 **MALWARE + VIRUSES**

FALSE A VPN IS NOT ANTIVIRUS.



It encrypts network traffic. It cannot stop malicious files you download or click.

04 **PUBLIC WI-FI**

TRUE THIS IS WHERE A VPN HELPS.



An encrypted tunnel protects your traffic from nearby snoops on open networks.

05 **HIDES ACTIVITY FROM ISP**

TRUE YOUR ISP SEES THE VPN CONNECTION.



It does not see your actual browsing destinations through that encrypted connection.

06 **PROTECTS PASSWORDS**

FALSE NOT FROM STORAGE OR PHISHING.



A VPN protects data in transit. Use a password manager and avoid fake login pages.

THE BOTTOM LINE



A VPN CAN PROTECT THE CONNECTION



A VPN CAN'T MAKE YOU ANONYMOUS



YOU STILL NEED UPDATES + ANTIVIRUS + PASSWORD MANAGER

A VPN IS A PRIVACY TOOL. NOT A FORCE FIELD.

AUDITED VPNS WORTH CONSIDERING

COMPARE BEFORE YOU SUBSCRIBE

MULLVAD

No-logs. Accepts cash.

PROTON VPN

Open source. Swiss law.

EXPRESSVPN

Independently audited.

NORDVPN

No-logs policy audited.