Hacking Passwords as Easy as 12345



New research says many of our passwords are easy for hackers to guess. A company called Impervia analyzed 32 million different hacked passwords. The most common ones include 12345, the word 'password' and 'iloveyou'. The research said a hacker can get into 1,000 online accounts in just 17 minutes. Impervia says a good password must be at least eight characters long. It should contain lower and upper case letters, numbers and special characters like exclamation marks, asterisks and dollar signs.

VOCABULARY: Match the correct answers.

1. hacking	a. organization
2. company	b. illegal access
3. password	c. internet
4. online	d. asterisk
5. special character	e. secret phrase

READING COMPREHENSION: Choose the correct answer.

- 1. What does a new research say?
- 2. What company analyzed the problem?
- 3. What are some common passwords?

4. How many minutes does it take for a hacker to get into 1000 accounts?

5. What must a good password have according to Impervia?