



ORION CONSORTIUM

NEWSLETTER

"We can choose our goals, and we can choose to realize them or not. The hard work takes place in our minds." - Chris Spurvey

A Message From The President

Orion Team,

It is safe to say these last few months have not been easy. I would like to take a moment to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to all of you.

On people, Oscar Wilde said "Give a man a mask and he will show you his true face." I am happy to say that even though I am tired of this pandemic, I have seen and experienced grace and kindness behind the masks I see every day.

As we all navigate these difficult times together, I have been trying to look for the positive in each day. I frequently find myself reflecting on the Orion Consortium team in finding this daily positivity. We have many people doing so many amazing things at Orion. It makes me proud.

Those of you who have had to work overtime, 12-hour shifts, carrying the weight of your entire team when you are the only one at work have done so with dedication, dignity and poise.

Those who have had to stay home on the sidelines, not knowing what was coming next, have done so with patience, flexibility and understanding.

I am proud to be associated with each one of you in this trying time. Our team is amazing. Thank you.

We are all living a life full of the unexpected and sometimes bewildering occurrences.

We are here for you if you need us. Just call and talk. Let us know how you are doing. Let us know what you need.

We are all in this together.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in dark blue ink that reads "Francesca R. Cartwright". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized 'F' and 'C'.

Francesca R. Cartwright
President/CEO

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Employee Appreciation

As a token of our appreciation, all employees should have received a Dunkin Donuts e-gift card sent via email on 7/31. Please check your spam or reach out to Jess at jstandiford@orionconsortium.com if you did not receive yours!

Mandatory Face Covering & Social Distancing



A mask or face cover must be worn at all times while at the work site, only excluding while sitting at your assigned workspace if social distance is maintained.

Please continue to practice social distancing while wearing a face covering. Maintain a physical distance of six feet from others when possible.

Referral Bonus

♦ You could earn a bonus of \$500-\$1500!

Current openings can now be found on our website [here](#). If you know someone who you think would be a good fit for Orion, please reach out to Shelbye, our Director of Workforce Development at sschlange@orionconsortium.com or apply online!



Since we could all use a break from the COVID content, I thought we could focus on some lighter material this month, like...Phishing Scams!! Did you know email is the #1 attack vector used by bad guys? 91% of cyberattacks start with a phishing email...

Educate yourself! Check out this BrightTalk Webinar: [10 Incredible Ways You Can Be Hacked Through Email - And How To Stop The Bad Guys](#).

It focuses on 10 ways hackers use social engineering to trick users into revealing sensitive data or enabling malicious code to run. If you don't have a BrightTalk account, sign up for free to access their collection of trainings and webinars!

Social Engineering Red Flags



FROM

- I don't recognize the sender's email address as someone I **ordinarily communicate with**.
- This email is from **someone outside my organization and it's not related to my job responsibilities**.
- This email was sent from **someone inside the organization** or from a customer, vendor, or partner and is **very unusual or out of character**.
- Is the sender's email address from a **suspicious domain** (like micorsoft-support.com)?
- I **don't know the sender personally** and they were **not vouched for** by someone I trust.
- I **don't have a business relationship** nor any past communications with the sender.
- This is an **unexpected or unusual email** with an **embedded hyperlink or an attachment** from someone I haven't communicated with recently.



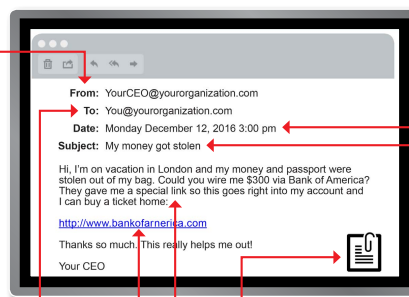
TO

- I was cc'd on an email sent to one or more people, but I **don't personally know** the other people it was sent to.
- I received an email that was also sent to an **unusual mix of people**. For instance, it might be sent to a random group of people at my organization whose last names start with the same letter, or a whole list of unrelated addresses.



HYPERLINKS

- I hover my mouse over a hyperlink that's displayed in the email message, but the **link-to address is for a different website**. (This is a **big red flag**.)
- I received an email that only has **long hyperlinks with no further information**, and the rest of the email is completely blank.
- I received an email with a **hyperlink that is a misspelling** of a known web site. For instance, www.bankofarnerica.com — the "m" is really two characters — "r" and "n."



DATE

- Did I receive an email that I normally would get during regular business hours, but it was **sent at an unusual time** like 3 a.m.?



SUBJECT

- Did I get an email with a subject line that is **irrelevant** or **does not match** the message content?
- Is the email message a reply to something I **never sent or requested**?



ATTACHMENTS

- The sender included an email attachment that I **was not expecting** or that **makes no sense** in relation to the email message. (This sender doesn't ordinarily send me this type of attachment.)
- I see an attachment with a possibly **dangerous file type**. The only file type that is **always safe to click on is a .txt file**.



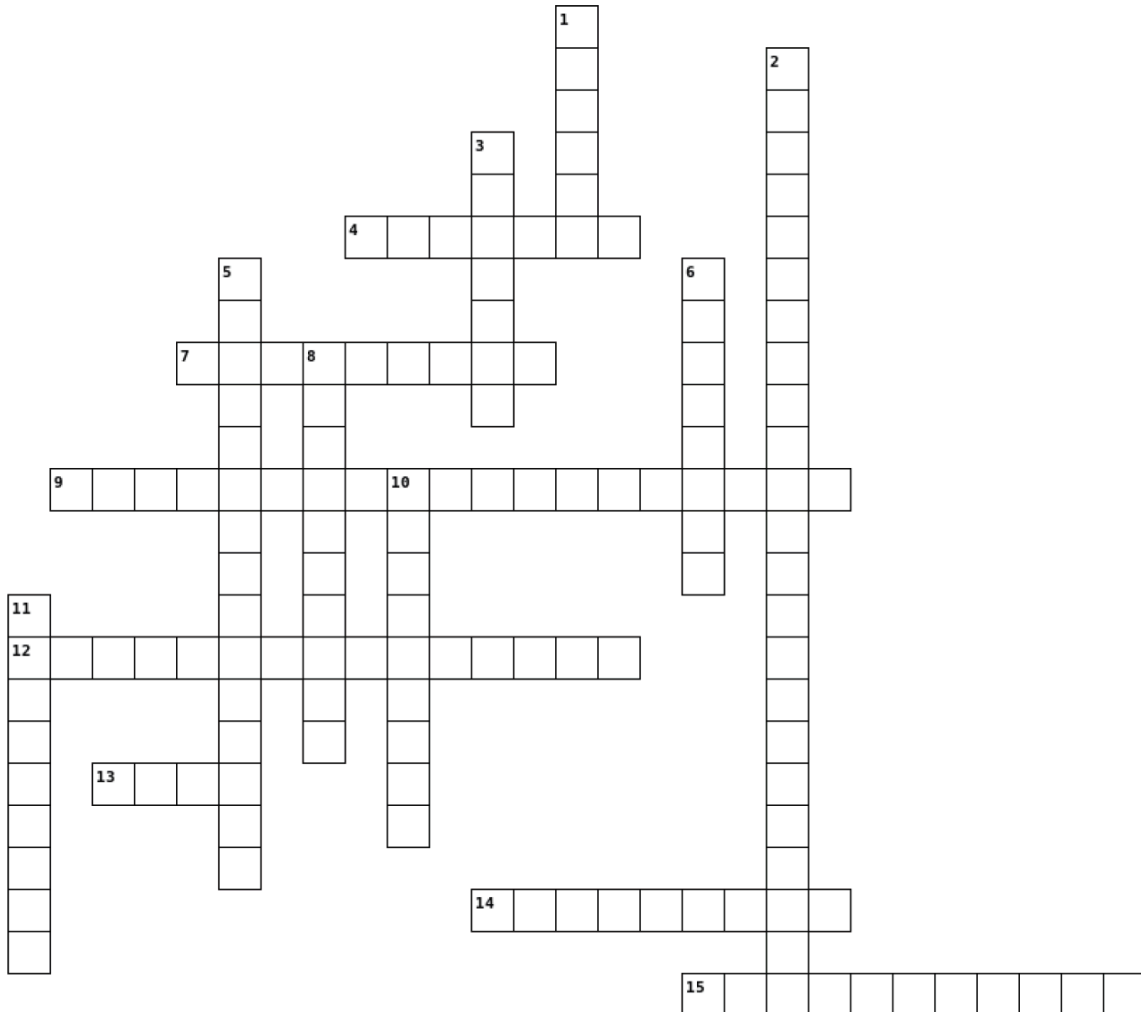
CONTENT

- Is the sender asking me to click on a link or open an attachment to **avoid a negative consequence** or to **gain something of value**?
- Is the email **out of the ordinary**, or does it have **bad grammar** or **spelling errors**?
- Is the sender asking me to click a link or open up an attachment that **seems odd** or **illogical**?
- Do I have an **uncomfortable gut feeling** about the sender's request to open an attachment or click a link?
- Is the email asking me to look at a **compromising or embarrassing picture** of myself or someone I know?

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ALL ABOUT ORION CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 4. WA location
- 7. Type of security clearance
- 9. Job title of many Orion employees
- 12. Company name
- 13. Prime company (acronym)
- 14. President's name
- 15. Daily __ required

DOWN:

- 1. VA location
- 2. Web address
- 3. Orion's favorite dog breed (hint: big, white, fluffy)
- 5. Orion's Online Employee Portal
- 6. State based in
- 8. TX location
- 10. Bill Gates
- 11. Nation's center for information, intelligence and cyber operations

CROSSWORD ANSWER KEY

How well do you know Orion? Check your answers below!

The crossword puzzle grid contains the following answers:

- 1** r e s t o
- 2** w o r t h
- 3** s a
- 4** r e d m o n d
- 5** k n
- 6** m a r y
- 7** t o p s e c r e t
- 8** s e c r e t
- 9** s y s t e m a d m i n i s t r a t o r
- 10** m i n i s t r a t o r
- 11** f
- 12** o r i o n c o n s o r t i u m
- 13** y d i t
- 14** l r a n c e s c a
- 15** t i m e k e e p i n g