Choosing Strong, Unique Passwords Is All-Important Online

We simply can’t state this enough—your email and banking passwords are extremely important, and you should use different strong passwords for each one. Here’s a couple of quick rules to help you stay safe:

- Use separate passwords for your online accounts—otherwise, if somebody cracks one password, they can access all accounts.
- Use strong passwords for your accounts, using a combination of letters and numbers.
- Do not use the name of your pet, child, significant other, insignificant other, school, mom, or anything that somebody could easily guess.
- Make sure the security question on your email or bank account is set to something unique, and write it down somewhere. Do not blindly answer the question and use your pet’s name or something somebody can easily figure out. This is how most passwords are cracked.