Password check

Aim	To reflect on the creation of passwords
Duration	-
Number of participants	any
Difficulty	easy
Conditions	Address the topic of passwords when it becomes an issue, e.g. if problems have arisen with passwords
Material	Internet access, use of the website www.chekdeinpasswort.de, possibly a beamer

Preparation

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Description

If secure passwords become an issue, you can use the website checkdeinpasswort.de to quickly check if a password is secure or not. Let the participants do this by themselves.

On the website you can also find suggestions on how to recognise a secure password. The example "1234567" consists only of numbers and thus doesn't have different types of characters, the characters are next to each other on the keyboard, a combination of numbers could be a telephone number, etc.

In this way, the participants can figure out in practice how to create and recognise useful and strong passwords.

Note: How to recognise strong passwords: They consist of as minimum of 8-10 characters including letters, numbers, special characters. They are no real words to be found in a dictionary or existing number combinations, such as telephone numbers or birth dates. Passwords based on a mnemonic are easy to remember, e.g. combining the first letters of the words in a sentence: "I can't remember long passwords of more than 8 characters!" -> Icrlpomt8c!

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