

SPOT SIGNS BEFORE IT GETS GOING



01 COMMON LANGUAGE USED BY SCAMMERS

- "Widowed", "God fearing", "Looking for serious relationship"
- "I don't play games", "Destiny brought us together"

02 PROFESSIONS THAT SHOULD RAISE EYEBROWS

- Deployed military, oil rig workers, engineers, contractors, surgeons abroad, UN contractors, pilots, captains, luxury goods dealers, celebrities

03 SUSPICIOUS PLATFORM BEHAVIOUR

- Messages you before matching Moves you to WhatsApp, Signal or simialr quickly
- Sends ID documents or asks for yours
- Asks for explicit images or money, or a favour to do with money

04 PROFILE WARNING SIGNS

- Photos uploaded same day
- Can be staged or too-perfect images
- No tagged pics or family engagement
- Follows only one gender
- Few connections or a new profile
- Language over representing goodness

05 MANIPULATION TACTICS TO WATCH FOR

- Fast emotional bonding ("soulmate", "love at first sight")
- Grooming & love bombing
- Overwhelming contact early on

06 FINANCIAL RED FLAGS

- Requests for gift cards, cryptocurrency, emergency funds
- Asks you to "hold" money or transfer for them

How to Check Them Out:

Reverse image search photos (Google/BIng/Yandex/TinEye)

Ask specific location questions

Look for inconsistencies in story or spelling

Check Your State of Mind:

Scammers target those who are grieving, overwhelmed, or seeking connection. If you feel rushed, flattered, or addicted to the contact, pause and talk to a friend.

✔ Quick Safety Checklist:

🔍 Does this feel healthy?

❤️ Trust your gut. Love should feel safe.

Visit [LoveSaid.org](https://www.LoveSaid.org) for support, reverse search tips, and survivor tools.