



LEARNING ABOUT SECURITY ONLINE

Nowadays almost every developer uses online communities such as Stack Overflow to answer programming questions. But you can also use them as a way to learn about software security in an immediate, easy and low-effort way.

Here's how.



START WITH A TASK

Start with a **specific** programming task you wish to understand, answer or troubleshoot.

We learn security best by engaging with real problems, and by discussing them with people with different areas of expertise.



SEEK OUT TENDED POSTS

Find discussions that are active, with ongoing commentary and amendments. These contain **well developed information**. In these threads information is traded, updates are given, support documents are shared.

The best posts are developed over time. You can find lots of up-to-date information by looking at the comments



JOIN IN

Lend a hand or ask for help.
Ask for information and clarification or provide corrections, information and confirm understanding.

Learning security is about more than exercises and check-lists. It is about getting involved — giving and receiving support from other developers



TAKE THE ONLINE OFFLINE

Share what you have found out with colleagues, talk it through and assess the best way to use the information.

Online information is great for general learning, but you'll need to put it into the context of your own work; talking it over with colleagues is the best way for that

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