

The TikTok job trap

Tyler's scam survival

Tyler signed up to a scheme on **TikTok** to review products and **get paid for it**.

He was told he'd need to complete 40 reviews every day, and that **he'd earn commission** which **he'd receive at the end of each day**.

He was instructed to open a **crypto exchange account** so that any money he earned could be withdrawn and to pay any fees, which **the scammers falsely created**.



Tyler's initial losses **weren't covered by the reimbursement policy**, because he had sent money via Faster Payments to another account which was also **under his control**.



His bank noticed the change in Tyler's activity and **contacted him** for more information.



He told them about the product reviews and how he was being guided. **The bank recognised the scam** and helped Tyler with next steps, **preventing five more transactions**, each for **£850** to the same crypto account.



The bank found that Tyler was **transferring money from his bank account into a crypto account** under his control, before sending the funds **to the scammer**.



Nonetheless, because the bank put his pending transactions on hold, Tyler was protected from losing any more money. The bank was later able to return his £4,250.

