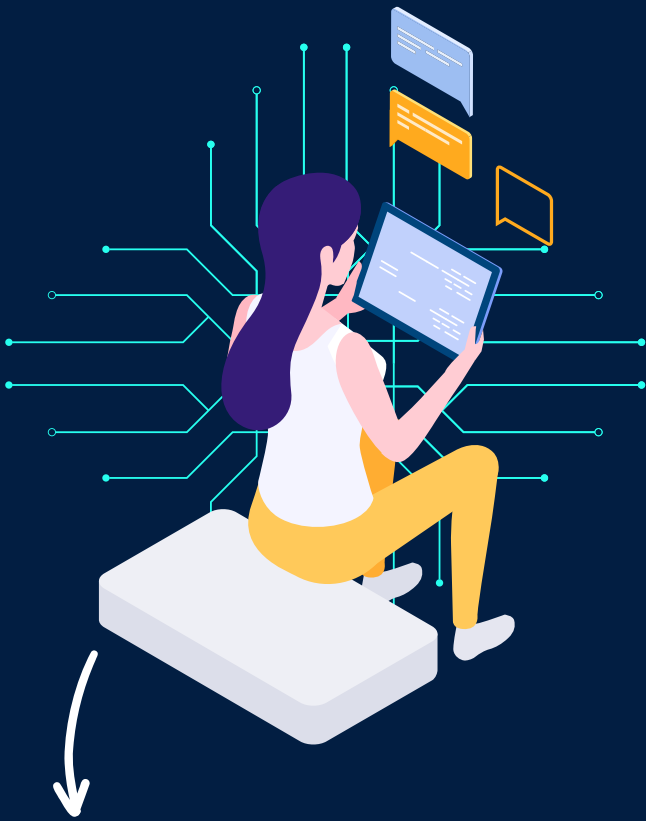# 3 STEPS TO TAKE BEFORE OPENING THAT .EXE

Download From A Reputable Site

ONLY download executable files from reputable sources, preferably from the source company (Example: Microsoft software from Microsofts site).

Scan Before Running

Before running that executable file, be sure to scan it with your preferred virus scanning program (Microsoft has one built into Windows, Windows Defender).

Quarantine The Program

For Windows 10 Pro or Enterprise users you have access to Windows Sandbox which will create a separate instance (or virtual machine) to quarantine software or changes you make.

Still In Doubt? Contact Your IT Team

Still unsure if that executable file is safe to run? When in doubt, contact your IT support team.