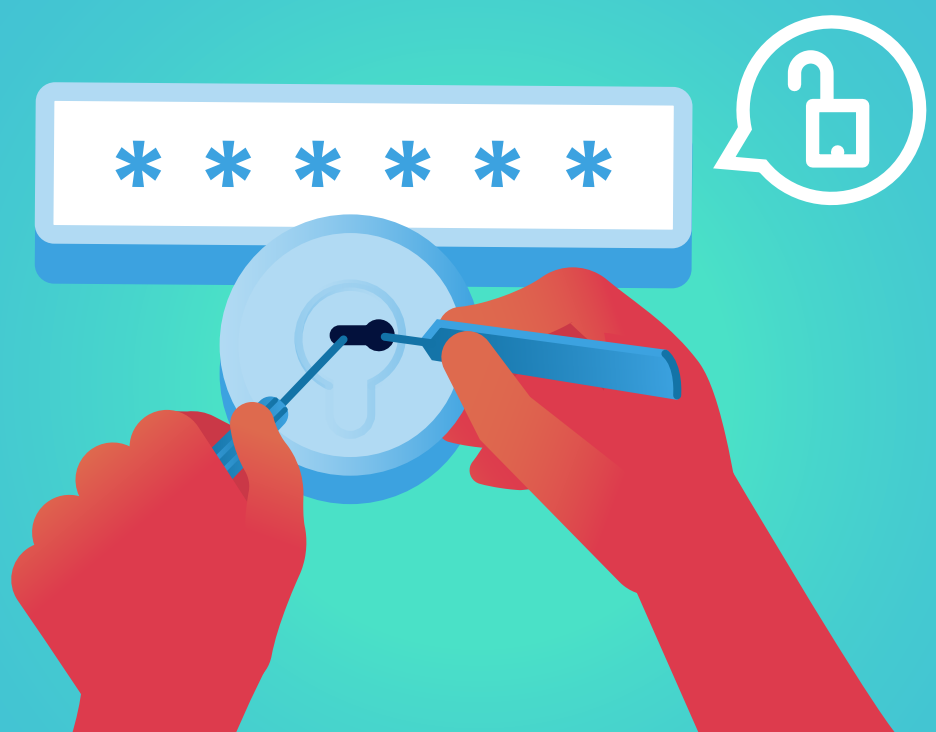


## Why Biometric Fingerprint Keys are the Best Option for Second-Factor Authentication

**80% of hacking-related breaches involve compromised or weak credentials.<sup>1</sup>**

Enabling second-factor authentication (2FA) on an account is one of the best ways to stay safe.



**2FA requires an additional factor** - such as something you...



**HAVE**

(like a one-time code)



**KNOW**

(like the answer to a security question)



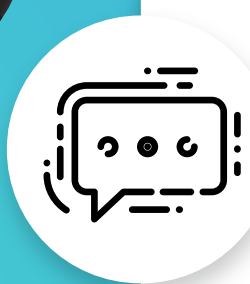
**or ARE**

(like a fingerprint scan or other biometric data)

– in addition to a correct username and password.

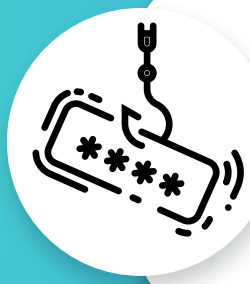
But not all second factors are created equal.  
Some still expose users to risk.

### SMS and Security Questions: The Riskier Forms of 2FA



**SMS texts are commonly used in 2FA, but aren't 100% safe.**

They're not encrypted, plus a SIM swap can transfer your number to another device.



Security questions can often be easily guessed **or like passwords, the information can be phished.**



In contrast, biometric fingerprint keys, like **Kensington's VeriMark™ and VeriMark™ IT**, provide strong authentication, resistant to phishing and other common attacks.

### Biometric Fingerprint Keys: A Safer Option for 2FA

**Uses biometric data that is unique to the individual,** as well as requires the possession of the fingerprint key, for robust 2FA.



**VeriMark™ keys have built in anti-spoofing technology,** delivering results above the industry standard for false rejection rates (FRR) and false acceptance rates (FAR).



**Fingerprint template data (not your full fingerprint) is securely stored locally on VeriMark™ keys,** while encrypted matches are transferred preventing the interception of unencrypted data.



Don't settle for unsafe 2FA. Try a biometric fingerprint key, a safer and easier alternative to passwords.

Learn more about VeriMark™ Fingerprint Keys at [www.kensington.com/biometrics](http://www.kensington.com/biometrics)

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