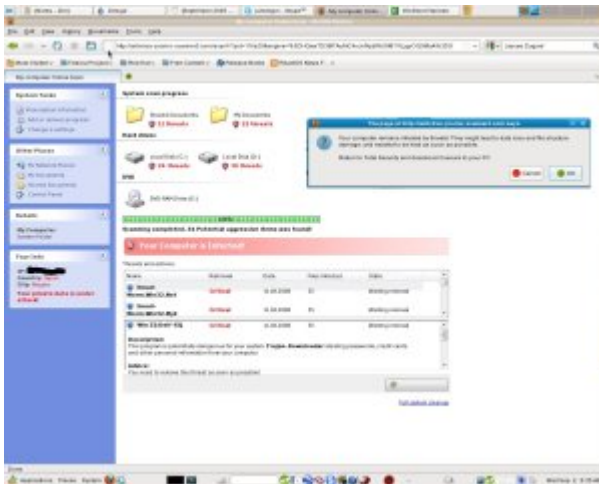


# Beware of False Virus Popup Reports from Internet Pages



I clicked on a link to access a certain article when all of a sudden a window popped up saying that my hard disk was undergoing an online scan for viruses and trojans. It reported that my private data is under attack and my PC is infected with security threats. I was advised to download and install “Total Security” to remove the threats.

Notice the interface of the PC screen in the image is that of Microsoft Windows? I’m *not* running Windows on my PC! I’m running Fedora **Linux** with the Gnome desktop environment.

The scan reported C drive and D drive infected, but Linux has *no concept of drive letters* as in Windows. My Linux system *doesn’t have* a C drive or D drive. Neither do I have any folders named “My Documents” and “Shared Documents.” This proves without a doubt that such unsolicited online PC scans that report problems are really **scams** to try to rip us off!