Lesson handout on cybercrime

Directions

Cybercrime is comprised of cyber-dependent and cyber-enabled crimes. Using this handout, ask the students to describe how the organized criminal group in the video might use the girl’s stolen phone to carry out cyber-dependent crimes (e.g., hacking and malware dissemination) and cyber-enabled crimes (e.g., online trade in illegal goods and services).

Cybercrime

Cyber-dependent crimes
are offences that can only be committed using a computer, computer networks or other forms of information communications technology. These acts include the spreading of viruses or other malware, hacking and distributed denial of service attacks.

Cyber-enabled crimes
are offences that can be increased in their scale or reach by use of computers, computer networks or other forms of information communications technology. These acts include fraud, theft, online trade in illegal goods and cyberbullying.