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Cybercrime is any criminal activity that involves a computer, networked device or a network. Cybercrime is committed by cybercriminals or hackers who want to make money. Cybercrime is carried out by individuals or organizations.

Cybercrime can include many different types of profit-driven criminal activity, including ransomware attacks, email and internet fraud, and identity fraud, as well as attempts to steal financial account, credit card or other payment card information.



**Effects of cybercrime are**:

1.lost money due to online theft.

2.expenses incurred to fix problems and prevent future cybercrimes.

3.loss of reputation due to personal information that is revealed.

4.corrupted files due to viruses.

5.long-term debt created resulting in poor credit rating due to online identity theft.

**How to protect yourself against cybercrime**:

1.Keep software and operating system updated

2.Use anti-virus software and keep it updated

3.Use strong passwords

4.Never open attachments in spam emails

5.Do not click on links in spam emails or untrusted websites

6.Contact companies directly about suspicious requests

****7.Be mindful of which website URLs you visit

8.Keep an eye on your bank statements