



for Grades 9-12



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and Ages 18-20**

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LEVEL 4 LESSON 20

IDENTITY THEFT



**There is only one of you...
or is there?**

WHAT DO THIEVES DO WITH YOUR INFORMATION?

- **Get into your bank accounts and steal your money**
- **Use your name to open up credit cards and run up the bills**
- **Set up utilities and rental agreements using your name**
- **Take out a loan in your name**
- **They may even try to use your health insurance!**

TYPES OF IDENTITY THEFT: PHISHING

Phishing is when criminals:

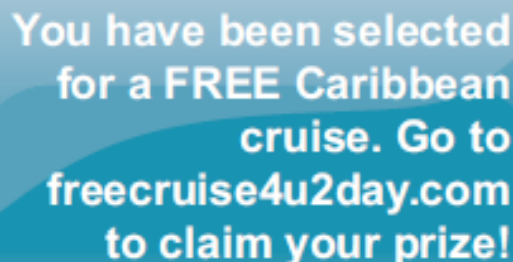
- **Send out unsolicited, or spam, e-mails that appear to be from a legitimate source: perhaps from your bank, school, well-known merchants, your Internet service provider, or even a trusted government agency (e.g., the FDIC)**
- **Attempt to trick you into divulging personal information**

TYPES OF IDENTITY THEFT: PHARMING

- **Criminals seek to obtain personal or private information by making fake websites appear legitimate**
- **Your browser will even show that you are at the correct website**
- **This makes pharming more difficult to detect than phishing**

TYPES OF IDENTITY THEFT: TEXT MESSAGE SPAM

- **Similar to e-mail spam, but on your cell phone**
- **Criminals often text offers of free gifts or low-cost credit offers with a link**
- **Clicking the link can install malware on your phone, which is how your personal information is captured**



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JOB SCAMS

- **Promise work, but usually ask you to pay for training or services**
- **They never deliver the promised employment**
- **They often advertise on real job websites, so it can be hard to tell them apart from true employment opportunities**

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