

READING

1 Read the blog quickly. What is the author doing?

- a explaining that all types of hackers send spam emails
- b explaining that all types of hackers want to make money
- c explaining that different types of hackers have different reasons for hacking

Hacking

Hacking has been in the news a lot recently, and is a growing problem all over the world. But did you know that there are different types of hackers out there, with different **aims**?

At first, I thought that these people were all just criminals trying to make money. I thought that they were the people who are responsible for those **nasty** emails I get in my inbox or for stealing money from people's bank accounts.

But then I did some research on the internet. I found out that there are different types of hackers, and each one has different reasons for hacking. Here is what I found out about some of the different types of hackers:

White Hat Hacker

This type of hacker is a professional hacker who works for companies and governments. These hackers are allowed to use their skills to hack computer systems so that the company or government can repair any **weaknesses** in its own system before another hacker tries to enter the system for criminal reasons.

Black Hat Hacker

This is the type of hacker that you usually read about in news stories. These hackers enter computer systems illegally to steal companies' or people's money and information. They also attack computer systems so that they stop working, and send **spam** emails.

Grey Hat Hacker

This type of hacker is between a White Hat Hacker and a Black Hat Hacker. Sometimes, these hackers find weaknesses in a computer system and repair it for the company for free. Other times they find the weaknesses and then tell the company about them and offer to repair them for **cash**.

Hacktivists

These people are different from the other types of hackers. They don't hack to make money or to find weaknesses in computer systems, but instead they have social or political reasons for hacking. They usually enter the computer systems of big companies and governments to steal their information.

So now you know that not all hackers are the same. Did any of this surprise you? Leave a comment, and tell me what you think!

2 Read the blog again. Decide if each sentence is true (T) or false (F).

- 1 At first the author didn't know that there were different types of hackers.
- 2 White Hat Hackers are criminals.
- 3 Black Hat Hackers help companies and governments to fix their computer systems.
- 4 Grey Hat Hackers always ask for money to fix weaknesses in computer systems.
- 5 Hacktivists don't have the same reasons for hacking as the other types of hackers.
- 6 Companies and governments pay hacktivists to steal information for them.

3 Match the **highlighted** words in the text to their meanings.

- 1 results that you want to achieve _____
- 2 money _____
- 3 very bad or not nice _____
- 4 part of something that is not strong or good _____
- 5 emails that you do not want, especially advertisements _____

GRAMMAR

Past simple and continuous

1 Choose the best answer in each sentence.

- What were you doing when the pickpocket stole your wallet?
a I listened to music and sent a text message.
b I was listening to music and sending a text message.
- Who were you talking to this morning?
a My mum. She phoned because she wanted me to buy some bread.
b My mum was phoning me because she wanted me to buy some bread.
- What happened to your computer?
a I was playing a game and it was hacked.
b I was playing a game was getting hacked.
- Did you see what the burglar looked like?
a No, it was dark. He ran away.
b No, it was dark. He was run away.
- Did you hear the doorbell?
a No, I was sleeping.
b No, I slept.

2 Make sentences using the past simple or past continuous.

- I / answer questions / about / vandals / at the police station.
- Those boys / steal / money / from my bag.
- Mum / tell / us / a story about / Grandma / when / her phone / ring.
- Mark / not wave / at Julie / because / he / not / see her.
- In the newspaper / it say / that in our city / theft / increase / this year.

3 Complete the conversation with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in the box.

be	get	imagine	look	love
run	see	sing	take	think

A: That's a good photo. Tell me about it!

B: I ¹ late for school and I ² down the road. It was a beautiful day and the birds ³. I ⁴ about my English homework. I had to write a story about a photo. I didn't know what to write. You know, when you have no ideas! But then I ⁵ up and I ⁶ this amazing graffiti art on the wall near the supermarket! I ⁷ out my phone and ⁸ a photo.

A: Did you write about it for your homework?

B: I did! I ⁹ the lives of the graffiti artists. Some people think they are criminals; some don't. That's what interested me. My teacher ¹⁰ the story! I got a great mark!

4 Correct the mistakes in these sentences or tick (✓) any you think are correct.

- They steal chocolate from the shop when I saw them.
- On Saturday, although it was raining, I went to the fun fair with my friends.
- We were sitting on the bus when the vandals write on the windows.
- It snowed when I woke up this morning.
- I arrived home in the morning, but then I was sleeping all day.

VOCABULARY

ourselves, yourselves, themselves and each other

1 Match the questions and answers.

- What happened to Jill's hand?
 - Who cut your hair?
 - What are those boys doing?
 - How was football practice?
 - What do Zoe and Carter think of the song they recorded together?
- a I did it myself! Do you like it?
b They haven't heard it yet! They say they don't like listening to themselves.
c They're arguing with each other.
d She burned herself while she was cooking.
e It was good! We all enjoyed ourselves.

2 Complete the conversations with the correct pronoun.

- A: Where did you two get those jeans?
B: We made them _____.
- A: Can your dad speak Spanish?
B: Yes, a bit. He taught _____ last year before our holiday.
- A: What are those girls doing?
B: They're taking photos of _____ together.
- A: We're thirsty. Can we have a glass of water?
B: Sure, help _____.
- A: Zane and Christina speak really good French!
B: Yes, they speak French to _____ all the time!

