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Protecting Yourself from Cybercrime

In the modern digital age, teenagers are more connected than ever through social media, online gaming, and instant messaging. While the internet is a platform for creativity and learning, it also poses significant risks, particularly in the form of cybercrime. Cybercrime encompasses illegal activities involving computers or networks, such as hacking, identity theft, online harassment, and scams, often targeting teenagers who may not be cautious about sharing personal information.

Common types of cybercrime include social engineering, where scammers trick individuals into revealing personal data; phishing attacks that use fake emails to lure users into providing sensitive information; and cyberbullying, which involves online harassment that can severely impact victims emotionally and psychologically.

To protect themselves online, teenagers should adopt several strategies: think critically before sharing personal information, use strong and unique passwords, enable privacy settings on social media platforms, remain skeptical of unknown messages, and stay informed about cybercrime trends. By understanding these risks and taking proactive measures, teenagers can enjoy the benefits of the digital world while minimizing dangers, making informed choices to enhance their online safety.

Exercise

Fill in the blanks in the left column with the words in the right column. Number one has been done for you.

Left	Right
1. Cyberbullying and identity theft are examples of cybercrimes.	A. Cybercrimes
2. Always _____ your personal information to yourself.	B. Send
3. Use a nickname and _____ on your social media profile.	C. Block
4. Never _____ a picture of yourself to strangers online.	D. Changing
5. Never _____ someone you met on the Internet.	E. Forms
6. Keep your password safe by _____ it regularly.	F. Adult
7. Don't fill out _____ online without asking an adult first.	G. Keep
8. Block and _____ emails from anyone you don't know.	H. Meet
9. Always _____ things from safe websites.	I. Avatar
10. Press the 'Report' and _____ buttons if you experience something that worries you.	J. Delete
11. Always tell a trusted _____ if you feel uncomfortable using the Internet.	K. Download