Evil Corp's Hacking Duo: UK Exposes Father-Son Team

Description

The UK, US, and Australia have punished 16 people for cyber crimes. Evil Corp, a Russian group, stole $300m over ten years. The gang's leader, Maksim Yakubets, got support from his father Viktor. The NCA exposed this as part of an operation against Evil Corp and LockBit. Yakubets was sanctioned in 2019 with a $5m reward for his capture. Other Russians, including his brother Artem, were also punished. The NCA found Yakubets' family members were involved in the cyber crimes. Eduard Benderskiy, Maksim's father-in-law, protected the group with links to Russian security. The NCA is determined to bring them to justice. Aleksandr Ryzhenkov, connected to the gang LockBit, was also punished. This shows hackers work together for attacks. Four arrests were made in the UK, uncovering Evil Corp's ties to the Russian state. Sanctions aim to stop Russian cyber attacks.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Punished** /ˈpʌnɪʃt/ (verb): To impose a penalty on someone for a wrongdoing.
2. **Cyber** /ˈsaɪbər/ (adjective): Relating to computers the internet or virtual reality.
3. **Exposed** /ɪkˈspoʊzd/ (verb): To make something visible or known especially something concealed.
4. **Sanctioned** /ˈsæŋkʃənd/ (verb): To impose a penalty or restriction often as a form of punishment.
5. **Involved** /ɪnˈvɑːlvd/ (adjective): Included in or connected to a situation or activity.
6. **Determined** /dɪˈtɜːrmɪnd/ (adjective): Having made a firm decision and not allowing anything to interfere with that decision.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Which three countries have punished 16 people for cyber crimes?

   Option: UK, US, Australia
   Option: France, Germany, Canada
   Option: China, Russia, Japan
   Option: Brazil, India, South Africa

2. How much money did Evil Corp steal over ten years?

   Option: $100m
   Option: $200m
   Option: $300m
   Option: $400m

3. Who provided support to the gang leader Maksim Yakubets?

   Option: His mother
   Option: His father
   Option: His sister
   Option: His friend

4. In which year was Maksim Yakubets sanctioned with a $5m reward for his capture?

   Option: 2017
   Option: 2018
   Option: 2019
   Option: 2020

5. Which family member of Maksim Yakubets was also found to be involved in cyber crimes?

   Option: His brother
   Option: His mother
   Option: His wife
   Option: His uncle

6. What is the aim of the sanctions imposed to stop Russian cyber attacks?

   Option: To promote cyber security
   Option: To facilitate international cooperation
   Option: To increase diplomatic relations
   Option: To stop Russian cyber attacks

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. UK, US, Australia 2. $300m 3. His father 4. 2019 5. His brother 6. To stop Russian cyber attacks

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which medication is commonly used to treat epilepsy?

    Option: Sodium valproate
    Option: Ibuprofen
    Option: Amoxicillin
    Option: Aspirin

2. What prefix is commonly used to refer to things related to the internet or technology?

    Option: Cyber
    Option: Geo
    Option: Bio
    Option: Aero

3. Which term refers to measures taken to ensure safety and protection?

    Option: Security
    Option: Hospitality
    Option: Flexibility
    Option: Transparency

4. What are preserved remains or traces of ancient organisms called?

    Option: Fossils
    Option: Crystals
    Option: Artifacts
    Option: Inventions

5. What are the cells that transmit information in the nervous system?

    Option: Neurons
    Option: Platelets
    Option: Fibroblasts
    Option: Tendons

6. What term is used to describe an animal that is hunted and eaten by another?

    Option: Prey
    Option: Predator
    Option: Herbivore
    Option: Omnivore

7. What process converts information into a code to prevent unauthorized access?

    Option: Encryption
    Option: Decryption
    Option: Transcription

Option: Translation

8. Which branch of science studies the structure of organisms and their parts?

Option: Anatomy
Option: Ecology
Option: Botany
Option: Astronomy

9. Which birds are known for their red breasts?

Option: Robins
Option: Crows
Option: Eagles
Option: Sparrows

10. What characteristic refers to the ability to walk on two legs?

Option: Bipedality
Option: Quadrupedality
Option: Flight
Option: Swimming

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The company issued a product _____ due to safety concerns.

12. She was _____ to succeed in her career despite facing challenges.

13. The documentary _____ the harsh realities of the industry.

14. The new system proved to be more _____ than the old one.

15. The decision to close the factory was highly _____ among the employees.

16. The student was _____ for cheating on the exam.

17. She was deeply _____ in the local community activities.

18. The trade embargo was officially _____ by the government.

19. Smoking has been proven to have _____ effects on health.

20. The painting was a beautiful landscape _____ a scene from the countryside.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The of a new species in the rainforest excited the scientific community.
22. The system allows us to experience the world through touch taste and smell.
23. Despite his success he remained humble and in his values.
24. The new manufacturing process was more and cost-effective.
25. Over time humans into the dominant species on the planet.
26. The product was recalled due to manufacturing that could pose a safety risk.
27. Customer is important for improving products and services.
28. Individuals have the right to protect their and personal information.
29. is a neurological disorder characterized by recurrent seizures.
30. Scientific is essential for advancing medical knowledge and treatments.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Sodium valproate 2. Cyber 3. Security 4. Fossils 5. Neurons 6. Prey 7. Encryption 8. Anatomy 9. Robins 10. Bipedality

Gap-Fill: 11. recall 12. determined 13. exposed 14. efficient 15. controversial 16. punished 17. involved 18. sanctioned 19. harmful 20. resembling

Matching sentence: 1. discovery 2. sensory 3. grounded 4. efficient 5. evolved 6. defects 7. feedback 8. privacy 9. Epilepsy 10. research

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