

Incident handler's journal

Instructions

As you continue through this course, you may use this template to record your findings after completing an activity or to take notes on what you've learned about a specific tool or concept. You can also use this journal as a way to log the key takeaways about the different cybersecurity tools or concepts you encounter in this course.

Date:	Entry: 1
July 23, 2024	
Description	Provide a brief description about the journal entry.
Tool(s) used	List any cybersecurity tools that were used.
The 5 W's	Capture the 5 W's of an incident.
	Who: An organized group of unethical hackers
	What: A ransomware security incident
	When: Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
	Where: At a health care company
	Why: The incident happened because unethical hackers were able to
	access the company's systems using a phishing attack. After gaining
	access, the attackers launched their ransomware on the company's
	systems, encrypting critical files. The attackers' motivation appears to be
	financial because the ransom note they left demanded a large sum of
	money in exchange for the decryption key.
Additional notes	1. How could the health care company prevent an incident like this from

occurring again? 2. Should the company pay the ransom to retrieve the decryption key?

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If you want to add more journal entries, please copy one of the tables above and paste it into the template to use for future entries.

Reflections/Notes: Record additional notes.