**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:**  23 January, 2024. | **Entry:**  01 | | |
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| Description | Documenting a cybersecurity incident | | |
| Tool(s) used | None. | | |
| The 5 W's | Capture the 5 W's of an incident.   * **Who** caused the incident?   The incident was caused by an organized group of unethical hackers.   * **What** happened?   The incident occurs through an attachment download from a phishing mail that encrypts all data with ransomware.   * **When** did the incident occur?   The Incident occurred in the earlier morning 9 o'clock of Tuesday when staff were trying to access their systems for their operations.   * **Where** did the incident happen?   The Incident happened at the health care company.   * **Why** did the incident happen?   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 | Include any additional thoughts, questions, or findings.   1. Based on the findings, there is a clear indication that the organization's staff lacks knowledge of phishing attacks. 2. Were there any training sessions conducted for the staff on common threats or social engineering attacks? | | |

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| Reflections/Notes: Record additional notes. |
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