



# 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: 5/9/2023	Entry: 1
Description	Documenting the cybersecurity incident.
Tool(s) used	None.
The 5 W's	<p>Capture the 5 W's of an incident.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Who</b> caused the incident? A group of unethical hackers</li><li>● <b>What</b> happened? Ransomware security incident</li><li>● <b>When</b> did the incident occur? Tuesday at 9:00 am</li><li>● <b>Where</b> did the incident happen? A small U.S. health care clinic</li><li>● <b>Why</b> 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</li></ul>

	be financial because the ransom note they left demanded a large sum of money in exchange for the decryption key.
Additional notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. How could the health care company prevent an incident like this from occurring again?</li><li>2. Should the company pay the ransom to retrieve the decryption key?</li></ol>