

COMPUTER SECURITY DAY

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

We all need to take Computer Security Day seriously. Imagine how much important stuff is on your computer. Imagine if it all suddenly disappeared. What would happen if your passwords ended up in the wrong hands? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It hoped to raise awareness of the importance of security issues. It also wanted to encourage people to think more about their computers and information. Officially, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many companies and organizations hold their events on the next working day. More than 50 countries actively participate in this day, distributing posters and holding workshops.

Information is key to survival and success in today's connected world. A top information protection agency stressed: "Information is among a business's greatest assets...It is crucial to make information security a high priority and to make employees aware of the important role they play in strengthening the organization's security." The Association for Computer Security Day website suggests over 50 ways for companies to keep their info more secure. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to common sense measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and backing up their data. One interesting idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who wish to reform."

PHRASE MATCH

Match the following phrases from the article.

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. stuff is on your | <i>a.</i> awareness |
| 2. it all suddenly | <i>b.</i> wrong hands |
| 3. ended up in the | <i>c.</i> issues |
| 4. raise | <i>d.</i> computer |
| 5. security | <i>e.</i> working day |
| 6. the next | <i>f.</i> disappeared |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. key to | <i>a.</i> sense measures |
| 2. information protection | <i>b.</i> more secure |
| 3. a high | <i>c.</i> survival |
| 4. keep their info | <i>d.</i> their data |
| 5. common | <i>e.</i> agency |
| 6. backing up | <i>f.</i> priority |

LISTENING GAP FILL

We _____ Computer Security Day seriously. Imagine how much important stuff is on your computer. _____ suddenly disappeared. What would happen if your passwords ended up in _____? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It _____ awareness of the importance of security issues. It also wanted to encourage people to _____ their computers and information. Officially, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many companies and organizations _____ on the next working day. More than 50 countries actively participate in this day, distributing posters and holding workshops.

Information is _____ and success in today's connected world. A top information protection agency stressed: "Information is among a business's greatest assets...It is _____ information security _____ and to make employees aware of the important role they play in strengthening the organization's security." The Association for Computer Security Day website suggests over 50 ways for companies _____ more secure. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to common sense measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and _____ data. One interesting idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who _____."

WHILE READING / LISTENING GAP FILL

Put the words into the gaps in the text.

We all need to take Computer Security Day _____.

Imagine how much important stuff is on your computer. Imagine if it all suddenly disappeared. What would _____ if your passwords ended up in the _____ hands? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It hoped to _____ awareness of the importance of security issues. It also wanted to _____ people to think more about their computers and information. Officially, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many companies and organizations _____ their events on the next working day. More than 50 countries _____ participate in this day, distributing posters and _____ workshops.

raise
happen
actively
hold
wrong
seriously
holding
encourage

Information is key to _____ and success in today's connected world. A top information protection agency _____: "Information is among a business's greatest assets...It is _____ to make information security a high _____ and to make employees _____ of the important role they play in strengthening the organization's security." The Association for Computer Security Day website _____ over 50 ways for companies to keep their info more secure. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to _____ sense measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and backing up their data. One interesting idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who wish to _____."

suggests
priority
stressed
reform
survival
aware
common
crucial

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of *italics*.

We all need to take Computer Security Day *serious / seriously*. Imagine how much important *stuff/ staff* is on your computer. Imagine if it all suddenly disappeared. What would happen if your passwords ended *up / down* in the wrong hands? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It hoped to *rise / raise* awareness of the *important / importance* of security issues. It also wanted to encourage people *at / to* think more about their computers and information. Officially, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many companies and organizations hold their events on the *after / next* working day. More than 50 countries actively participate in this day, *distributing / distribute* posters and holding workshops.

Information is key to *survive / survival* and success in today's connected world. A top information protection agency *stressful / stressed*: "Information is *between / among* a business's greatest assets...It is crucial to make information security a high priority and to make employees aware of the important *roll / role* they play in strengthening the organization's security." The Association for Computer Security Day website suggests over 50 ways *for / by* companies to keep their info more *security / secure*. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to common *sense / senses* measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and backing *down / up* their data. One interesting idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who wish to reform."

MULTIPLE CHOICE

We all need to take Computer Security Day (1) _____. Imagine how much important stuff is on your computer. Imagine if it all (2) _____ disappeared. What would happen if your passwords ended (3) _____ in the wrong hands? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It hoped to (4) _____ awareness of the importance of security issues. It also wanted to encourage people to think more about their computers and information. (5) _____, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many companies and organizations hold their events on the next working day. More than 50 countries (6) _____ participate in this day, distributing posters and holding workshops.

Information is key to survival and (7) _____ in today's connected world. A top information protection agency stressed: "Information is among a business's greatest assets...It is crucial (8) _____ make information security a high priority and to make employees aware of the important role they play in strengthening the organization's security." The Association for Computer Security Day website suggests over 50 ways for companies to (9) _____ their info more secure. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to common (10) _____ measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and backing (11) _____ their data. One interesting idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who (12) _____ to reform."

Put the correct words from this table into the article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) seriously | (b) serious | (c) seriousness | (d) series |
| 2. | (a) sudden | (b) suddenness | (c) suddenly | (d) saddened |
| 3. | (a) down | (b) in | (c) on | (d) up |
| 4. | (a) rise | (b) raise | (c) up | (d) elevate |
| 5. | (a) official | (b) officials | (c) officially | (d) officialdom |
| 6. | (a) active | (b) activity | (c) activate | (d) actively |
| 7. | (a) survive | (b) survives | (c) survival | (d) surviving |
| 8. | (a) at | (b) for | (c) to | (d) in |
| 9. | (a) keep | (b) be | (c) do | (d) take |
| 10. | (a) sensory | (b) sense | (c) sensation | (d) senses |
| 11. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) down | (d) up |
| 12. | (a) wishing | (b) wish | (c) wishful | (d) wishes |

SPELLING

Spell the jumbled words (from the text) correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. tnmipaotr stuff
2. ended up in the gnrwo hands
3. aires awareness
4. security suises
5. the next rwinokg day
6. gnoidlh workshops

Paragraph 2

7. key to asriuvvl
8. today's entdecnco world
9. a high yiiptro
10. keep their info more usrece
11. common sense mesrause
12. gncbika up their data

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () and information. Officially, CSD is on November the 30th. However, if this is a weekend, many
- (**1**) We all need to take Computer Security Day seriously. Imagine how much important stuff is on your
- () stressed: "Information is among a business's greatest assets...It is crucial to make information security a high
- () priority and to make employees aware of the important role they play in strengthening the organization's
- () security." The Association for Computer Security Day website suggests over 50 ways for companies to keep their info more
- () Information is key to survival and success in today's connected world. A top information protection agency
- () idea is to: "Declare an amnesty day for computer security violators who wish to reform."
- () awareness of the importance of security issues. It also wanted to encourage people to think more about their computers
- () sense measures, such as staff regularly changing their passwords and backing up their data. One interesting
- () computer. Imagine if it all suddenly disappeared. What would happen if your passwords ended up in the wrong
- () secure. These include practical things, like installing smoke alarms in computer rooms, to common
- () actively participate in this day, distributing posters and holding workshops.
- () hands? The Association for Computer Security Day started this event in 1988. It hoped to raise
- () companies and organizations hold their events on the next working day. More than 50 countries

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With a partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. Computer seriously all take Day We to Security need.

2. wrong ended hands up in Your the passwords.

3. issues security of importance The.

4. computers think more Encourage about people their to.

5. than countries participate More 50 actively.

6. is Information success and survival to key.

7. priority information security Crucial a to high make.

8. of role aware important play employees the they Make.

9. more Ways to info companies their secure for keep.

10. backing Changing up their their passwords data and.

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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THE COMPUTER SECURITY DAY SURVEY

Write five questions about Computer Security Day in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITING

Write about Computer Security Day for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other’s work.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Computer Security Day. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Computer Security Day. Write about what happens around the world. Include two imaginary interviews with people who did something on this day.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. POSTER: Make your own poster about Computer Security Day. Write about will happen on this day around the world.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.