

46. Computer Viruses

Classroom Activity: Presentation on computer viruses.

Grade(s): 10 and 11

Course(s) and Strand (s): Computer Studies

Introduction to Computer Studies, Grade 10 Open

A. Understanding Computers

Introduction to Computer Science, Grade 11 University

C. Computer Environments and Systems

Introduction to Computer Programming, Grade 11 College

D. Computers and Society

Assessment Categories:

- Knowledge and Understanding
- Application

Type of Activity: Classroom or computer lab

Preparation: Make computer available

Materials and Resources for Teachers:

no additional resources are required. The section on computer virus on the

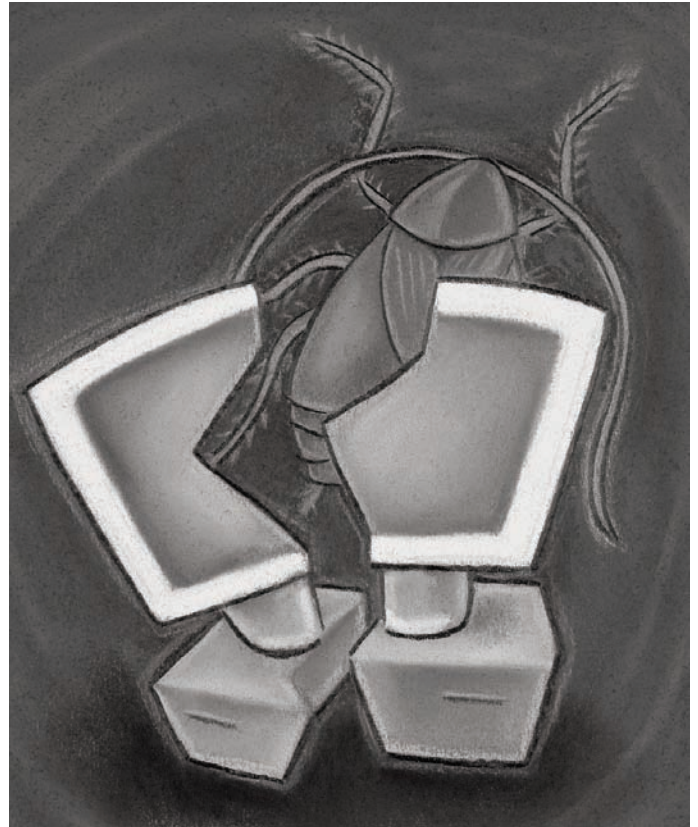
How Stuff Works website is helpful: <http://www.howstuffworks.com/virus.htm>

Time needed to complete this activity: 75 minutes

Materials/Resources for students:

Computer

Internet Access



Activity Description:

Introduce the concept of computer viruses. Explain the different types, how they operate, how to avoid them, and what to do if your computer is infected.

Have the students visit the McAfee www.mcafee.com, the Symantec www.symantec.com, and Scambuster www.scambusters.com websites.