**The Most Destructive Computer Viruses:**

Name

Period #

Computer #

**A Student Research Project**

If you haven't experienced a computer virus yet, just wait -- you probably will. Fortunately, you missed the real heyday of computer viruses when anti-virus software wasn't very widely used, and virus attacks caused millions of dollars in damages overnight. Today's viruses can still be nightmarish, but for the average user, cleanup is considerably easier than it was just a few years ago, when the only solution in many cases was reformatting your hard drive and starting from scratch and sometimes even that didn't do the trick.

Follow the link below and report on three of the most destructive computer viruses.

Learning Targets:

* I can understand the definitions of, similarities of, and differences between Computer Viruses & Computer Spyware.
* I can explain how a computer virus travels to my computer and articulate the types of damage it is capable of doing.

Go to:

<https://www.hongkiat.com/blog/famous-malicious-computer-viruses/>

<https://www.whoishostingthis.com/blog/2015/06/01/8-worst-viruses/>

Virus # 1:

What year was this virus released?

Who created it (if known)?

What exploit (weakness) did this virus exploit?

How did the virus travel?

What damage was done to computers infected with this virus?

Virus #2:

What year was this virus released?

Who created it (if known)?

What exploit (weakness) did this virus exploit?

How did the virus travel?

What damage was done to computers infected with this virus?

Virus #3:

What year was this virus released?

Who created it (if known)?

What exploit (weakness) did this virus exploit?

How did the virus travel?

What damage was done to computers infected with this virus?