Andriy Slynchuk has described eleven things Internet users do that may be illegal. Review what the author says and write a paragraph describing the five most serious violations and why you think those offenses are serious.

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Five most serious violations and why -

Using Torrent Services

Bullying and Trolling

Faking Identity Online

Using Other People's Internet Networks

Collecting Information About People Younger Than 13

There was a list of things that internet users may take part in that maybe deemed as illegal as written by Andriy Slynchuk. From the list provided, there were a few violations that stood out as more serious than the rest of the listed items. Using the following violations, torrent services, bullying and trolling, faking identity online, using other people's internet networks, and collecting information about people younger than 13 years old that are considered to be the five more serious violations from the list provided. By definition, torrent services are an act to pirate movies, games or music by individuals. Using this torrent services system, an individual gains access to these movies, games or music without having to pay the owner of the intellectual property. Through this pirating activity, the creator of the medium does not get paid for the work as completed. Bullying and trolling actions are very serious activities as these two types of acts truly affect real people and could cause them to do self harm. Bullying and cyberbullying are very bad and need to be stopped due to the negative consequences. Identity theft is an extremely serious crime that causes horrible damage to the lives of the victims. Faking your identity online falls into the same group as identity theft. Either way through these activities, ill effects take place. Even if it is something that causes a consequence, like listing a fake name on social media could endanger certain people involved. Such an action could still cause negative consequences to the real life person's life based on what is posted on social media and then interactions with using their name. Using other people's internet networks may not seem like it would be too serious of an issue but it is indeed a real crime. For instance, if you are over at a friend's house, it is acceptable to use their internet network with their permission. In contrast,

depending on the circumstance, this action of using a neighbor's internet network without asking in your own home is where this concept is a serious violation. The more devices connected to one internet network, the slower the internet will function, thus the connection can be stolen secretly by using someone else's internet network which is a violation. Collecting information about anyone online is a violation of privacy, however when that person is younger than 13 years old, then it becomes a true crime based on age parameters. There are laws to protect both the physical and digital aspects of people. There are even more laws in place when the person involved is a child (person under 18 years old). Jail time may be a consequence depending on how you interact with people under 13 years old online or otherwise.