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• <u>Andriy Slynchuk</u> 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.

After reading this article, it seems to me that a lot of these things are done by people who may not even think its illegal. Here are the 5 items I believe are the most serious. (5) Sharing Passwords, Addresses, or Photos of Others. Exposing where someone lives or posting pictures of someone without their consent can bring harm to them. We don't know who sees the information because a lot of the time people remain anonymous online. (4) Faking your Identity Online. Posing as someone you're not is a crime and can bring harm to that person you are disguised as. (3) Illegal searches on the Internet. Most people don't know that some searches are against the law. Making it illegal to search things such as cp or hiring a hitman can help prevent attacks and save lives. (2) Collecting Information About People Younger Than 13. If you are an adult there is almost no reason you should be requesting information on minors on the internet. A lot of the time kids fake their age online so this can be a hard thing to catch but is very serious. (1) Bullying and Trolling. Cyberbullying is a widespread problem that is aimed at vulnerable people. Almost everyone has smartphones and can become a victim. Cyberbullying can lead to sever consequences especially with those victims who are already battling depression which is why I believe this is the most serious on the list.