Preventing Identity Theft

All answers to be explained/written in your own words – if answers are similar to/the same as other people in class, both/all people will get a ZERO! Explain all answers (where possible) with examples of your own.

Use websites to help you answer the following questions.

1. What is identity theft?
2. What are 3 ways of protecting yourself?
3. What is PHISHING? How can it harm you?
4. How can you protect your computer from identity theft?
5. Why should one shred any personal documents before putting them in recycling?
6. Why should you keep your SIN number private?
7. Where could you store your personal information at home? At school?
8. Why keep sales receipts or bills for things you have purchased especially if a debit card was used?
9. Where should your PIN number be stored? Why?
10. What is a credit report? Why is it important to have a good credit report? What is in a credit report?
11. What should you do if you believe you are the victim of Identity Theft?