NAME: Paul
Date of birth: 5th
Age:
Profession:
Extra: Jamie’s
Received a
thousand-pound bank transfer
from Jamie.

ACTIVITY 1
Complete the information.
Predict then watch the video.

Name: Juliet
Date of birth: 13th
Age:
Profession: personal
Extra: Jamie’s
for _______ years.
Moved with him when he left
KPL (previous firm) and
started his business.

41
assistant
Arnott
July
32
half-brother
Stevenson
financial advisor
February
15

ACTIVITY 2
Who do you think says the following?
Watch and match.

Wok? Wasn’t that in
the news recently?

Why was Mr Phelps paying
you all that money?

Well, it turns out, no. Idiot.
But I only found that out
this morning.

You must think he’s done
away with himself.

This morning he was
stressed but he had a plan.

Could Jamie afford to
lose fifteen grand?

What ransomware?

I don’t know how he’s got
himself into such a pickle.

We invested in a new
cryptocurrency called Wok.

A plan for what
d’you think?

Calle Ritchard

Nikhil Ready

Father and Son
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**ACTIVITY 3**
Order the conversation. Watch and check.

1. The company’s files were taken ransom with this malware, last night.

2. And Jamie got one of these last night...

3. Well, it happened last night, but he only realised this morning.

4. And people pay these things?

5. We called me from the car. Said we’d been hacked, and he was on his way in.

6. The threat was to publish. They’ve got some high-profile clients – so privacy is important.

7. Yeah. They’re smart enough to ask for amounts of money that people might be able to scrape together.

8. The brother confirmed to me that he spoke to Jamie this morning. Apparently, Jamie called him asking for a loan. Paul said no.

9. He made me promise to keep it a secret.

10. JULIET (on tape)

11. NIKESH

12. CALLIE

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**GO BACKSTAGE!**

**The story so far**

We’ve met Paul Stevenson, Jamie’s half-brother, who doesn’t seem very keen on Jamie. Paul talked about an _________ they’ve both been involved in, and that Jamie put 15,000 pounds into a __________ that didn’t go well. We’ve also met Juliet Arnott, Jamie’s PA, who thinks Jamie is a lovely man but under a lot of _________ because of a __________ issue and that he will have to pay money to release information about his___________.

1. I think the first time I knew was probably when I was at school. I must have been about four and ________.

2. I was playing the donkey, holding up the donkey face and ________.

3. I think I knew then that I wanted to be an actor ________.

a) and I’ve been doing it pretty much ever since.

b) it was the Nativity play.

c) it was the rapturous applause.

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Listen to Nigel Thomas, who plays the part of Paul Stevenson, talking about when he knew he was going to become an actor.
CRYPTOCURRENCY WOK HAS BEEN HACKED

Investors from across the globe discovered yesterday that their files from the cryptocurrency firm ‘Wok’ had been taken with computer ________.

Wok is a new startup cryptocurrency company. The high-risk strategy works on the basis that the more coins you buy, the better deal you get. However, the ________ was hacked causing chaos in the financial markets this morning and the company has now ________.

Reports suggest that sensitive files and data have been ________ and are being held by skilled ________ until a ransom is paid.

Why do you think the detectives want to interview Arthur Montgomery?

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ACROSS
4. digital currency
6. get money from someone by threatening to tell a secret of theirs
7. criminal software to block computer access until a sum of money is paid
9. in a difficult situation

DOWN
1. deal with the most important things first
2. software designed to cause damage
4. public record of transactions made in a cryptocurrency in chronological order
3. doesn’t attract attention
5. discontinue operating
8. together struggle to collect

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ACTIVITY 1

Name: Juliet Arnott
Date of birth: 13th February, 1988
Age: 32
Profession: personal assistant
Extra: Jamie’s PA, for seven years.
Moved with him when he left KPL (previous firm) and started his business.

ACTIVITY 2

Name: Paul Stevenson
Date of birth: 5th July, 1979
Age: 41
Profession: financial advisor
Extra: Jamie’s half-brother, received a fifteen-thousand-pound bank transfer from Jamie.

ACTIVITY 3

The company’s files were taken ransom with this malware, last night.

The threat was to publish.
They’ve got some high-profile clients - so privacy is important.

Yeah. They’re smart enough to ask for amounts of money that people might be able to scrape together.

Well, it happened last night, but no one realised this morning.

Nice. So, he’s lost all of his savings, his business is being blackmailed and his brother...

... won’t bail him out. So, the next person... last person? He speaks to is...

The brother confirmed to me that he spoke to Jamie this morning. Apparently, Jamie called him asking for a loan. Paul said no.

And people pay these things?

And Jamie got one of these last night...

He called me from the car. Said we’d been hacked, and he was on his way in.

He made me promise to keep it a secret.

ACTIVITY 4  GO BACKSTAGE!

1.
We’ve met Paul Stevenson. Jamie’s half-brother. He doesn’t seem very keen on Jamie. Paul talked about an investment, they’ve both been involved in. And that Jamie put 15,000 pounds into a cryptocurrency that didn’t go well.
We’ve also met Juliet Arnott, Jamie’s PA, who thinks Jamie is a lovely man but under a lot of stress because of a ransomware issue and that he will have to pay money to release information about his clients.

2. 1:b 2:c 3:a

ACTIVITY 5

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Reports suggest that sensitive files and data have been stolen and are being held by skilled hackers until a ransom is paid.

ACTIVITY 6

MALWARE
CRYPTOCURRENCY
BLACKMAIL
RANSOMWARE
IN A PICKLE