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with their crimes. 36. What should be known to catch cybercriminals? A. Credit card numbers. B. Suspects' fingerprints. C. The technology used to commit the crimes. D. Numbers, symbols and letters. 37. How dangerous was Melissa virus back in 1997? A. It destroyed computer files worldwide B. Many agents took up the case C. Technicians, experts, and a student were investigated D. Telephone lines and computers were destroyed. 38. How serious could a computer crime become? A. Many telephone companies would go bankrupt. B. A city would be thrown into darkness. C. Power would be out down the east coast for a week. D. There would be no more television programs to watch. 39. What can we infer about the process of catching computer criminals from the passage? A. It could be dangerous. B. It is rather complicated to identify the cybercriminals. C. It would cause a huge loss. D. It has been a severe punishment. 40. The last sentence of the passage may serve as a\_\_\_\_\_?

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