TWO SUCCESS STORIES FOR THE NCMEC

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) works with law enforcement in the US and throughout the world to bring missing-children home and help sexually exploited children. Here are two of those success stories.

Maria was 12 years old when reported missing to NCMEC in September 1998. In November 1999, NCMEC’s hotline received a lead from an anonymous person who had seen Maria’s NCMEC poster in a store in Mullins, South Carolina. This lead was forwarded to law enforcement, and officers were able to recover Maria at the address provided in the lead.

Ashley was 13 years old when she ran away in July 1999. In October 1999, an anonymous person saw Ashley’s NCMEC poster and provided law enforcement with her location. Law enforcement was then able to recover Ashley in Los Angeles, California.

VOCABULAIRE

- missing: disparus
- law enforcement: forces de police
- to report: signaler
- hotline: centre téléphonique
- lead: piste
- store: magasin
- to forward: transmettre
- to provide: fournir
- to run away: s’enfuir

QUESTIONS

A. What is the NCMEC?
   1. a job center
   2. a leisure center
   3. a center which takes care of children

B. How was Maria found?
   1. she phoned the center
   2. Two policemen found her
   3. someone phoned the center

C. How old was Ashley?
   1. ten
   2. twelve
   3. thirteen

REPONSES

A3 | B3 | C3

Note: “center” en anglais américain, “centre” en anglais britannique.

Les questions:

A. Qu’est-ce que le NCMEC? Une agence pour l’emploi? Un centre de loisirs? Un centre qui prend soin des enfants?

B. Comment a-t-on trouvé Maria? Elle a appelé le centre? Deux policiers l’ont trouvée? Quelqu’un a téléphoné au centre?

C. Quel âge avait Ashley? 10, 12, 13 ans?