Steganography (/ˌstɛgəˈnɒgrəfi/ i) STEG-ə-NOG-rə-fee) is the practice of representing information within another message or physical object, in such a manner that the presence of the concealed information would not be evident to an unsuspecting person's examination. In computing/electronic contexts, a computer file, message, image, or video is concealed within another file, message, image, or video. The word steganography comes from Greek steganographia, which combines the words steganós (σ τεγανός), meaning "covered or concealed", and -graphia (γραφή) meaning "writing".

Character marking: Selected letters of printed or typewritten text are over

written in pencil. The marks are ordinarily not visible unless the paper is held

at an angle to bright light.

■ Invisible ink: A number of substances can be used for writing but leave no vis

ible trace until heat or some chemical is applied to the paper.

■ Pin punctures: Small pin punctures on selected letters are ordinarily not vis

ible unless the paper is held up in front of a light.

■ **Typewriter correction ribbon:** Used between lines typed with a black ribbon,

the results of typing with the correction tape are visible only under a strong

light.