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Over the last 50 hours of my internship, I have experienced a range of emotions, from frustration to anticipation, as I navigated real-world cybersecurity challenges. One of the biggest challenges I encountered was the absence of our small business, Johnathan Cares. Their failure to show up for the scheduled meeting disrupted our workflow and required our team to adjust our approach. We had to learn to remain professional and flexible, develop contingency plans and communicate effectively to keep the project moving forward. This experience is a prime example of the importance of adaptability and perseverance in the cybersecurity field.

On the other hand, I felt eager anticipation when preparing for our engagement with Omnicruit. Our team worked diligently to research and develop tailored cybersecurity solutions for them, focusing on risk assessments and best practices. The process allowed me to deepen my understanding of cybersecurity frameworks and apply theoretical knowledge to practical scenarios. It was rewarding to see our work take shape. Additionally, I gained hands-on experience completing an executive summary for the two businesses for which we performed risk assessments.

Overall, these last 50 hours have provided valuable insights into the realities of cybersecurity risk management. While there were moments of frustration, they were outweighed by the satisfaction of problem-solving and making a tangible impact on our small business. I look forward to the next phase which is presenting the report and continuing to refine my skills in cybersecurity risk assessment and mitigation.