Media influences

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After watching the video, write a journal entry about how you think the media influences our understanding about cybersecurity. Has this understanding changed over time? What is different in the older pieces of media vs more current media?

In my opinion I think when watching movies that have heavy cybersecurity scenes in it or even if it is not heavy, cyber knowledge will not be accurate in a sense. They might throw some information that is true. The general public that does not have knowledge of cybersecurity phrases or data will not know it is not real because the movie seems so real and believable. The general public view of cybersecurity is greatly influenced by what they see on the internet and it comes from different angles such as social media, movies and even the news. On the other hand, the media changes how we think of cybersecurity issues by pointing out specific parts of things that affect our understanding of the actual and seriousness of these issues. Furthermore, the media informs the public by sharing knowledge about harmful situations that can come with certain cybersecurity information and the consequences that can come with it. It can also recommend methods; yet, finding where the line is between the truth of what is being put out into the world and the exaggeration can be hard. Rules and laws can also be influenced by media reports, which most times triggers official reactions to well-known cyber situations. The media plays a very important role in how they engage in general conversation on cybersecurity by offering the space for individuals to be able to engage in the process of trading ideas. Because of the rising rate of cyberattacks and technological breakthroughs, our awareness of cybersecurity has changed a lot over time. To begin with it was viewed as an error with the focus being on protecting networks, and cybersecurity has developed into a broad and detailed problem. The rising number of smart devices and the modernization of critical systems have expanded the impact of cybersecurity to include consequences for people, companies, and society as a whole. Cybersecurity has become more important than ever as a result of major events like data breaches which have highlighted its effects on confidentiality, national security, and financial security. Older media articles mostly showed cybersecurity as a software issue that only involved securing computer systems against infections and malware missing all of the details found in more recent reports. More recent media shows cybersecurity on the other hand as a complex form and emphasizes its deeper consequences for confidentiality, national security, and financial stability. Recent works often address major cyberattacks, such as malware and indicate both social and personal tolls that these harmful events take from individuals, companies and governments. This change indicates an increasing understanding of the importance of cybersecurity in today's society, which goes further than technical concerns to include wider societal issues.