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Movies and TV shows often demonstrate hacking in a manner that is far from realistic.

Many films visualize hackers as either superhuman geniuses or cybercriminals who can break into vigorous system within seconds by entering simple scripts. This unrealistic depiction creates a false narrative surrounding what cybersecurity encompasses. In reality, the action of hacking is a complex process. Surprisingly, hacking requires patience, extensive knowledge, and various tools. Television's exaggeration for entertainment purposes can contribute to misunderstandings about cybersecurity threats, making people believe that hacking is either too easy or too advanced to defend against. This can lead to complacency and act as a fear tactic rather than encouraging proper security habits. Movies often fail to show the value of the cybersecurity industry working to prevent attacks proactively rather than just react to them after they occur. Although entertainment value is important, an accurate portrayal could help raise awareness about real-world cybersecurity challenges and change the perception of cybersecurity.