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In the video that was provided in class, Nicole Enesse, gave a brief description of what it means to be a cybersecurity analyst. She also pointed out how much an entry level cyber individual can make, along with the skills needed to be a cybersecurity analyst. She also added that there is no linear path when it comes to being a cyber individual, there are multiple paths that you can take. Nicole gave her opinion on the future job outlook of cybersecurity in the world, which according to her, is very promising. With regards to social themes that were present in the video, two of the main key points that resonated with me are the concept of "Salary" and "Job location". Salary and job location are not always directly proportional to one another. Not because you are getting paid a lot of money, does it automatically mean that you are in an ideal situation. There are others factors to consider, like the weather and the cost of living of that specific place. Nicole made a good choice in providing New York as an example. Cyber individuals living in New York are getting paid a lot of money but the cost of living in there is also astronomical. Whereas Cyber individuals who live in Texas might not get paid as much, but their cost of living is definitely lower compared to New York. Another key point that Nicole mentioned was "Work Hours". Cyber individuals who work graveyard shifts tend to get paid more, but it means you will have to alter your whole-body clock and get use to working at night. It might also mean that you will be most likely working by yourself during a graveyard shift. Are you a lone wolf capable of working by himself? Or are you the type of individual who likes working with other people? Cybersecurity is still considered a new field, however, the demand for cyber individuals is very high and will only continue to rise in the years to come. No matter

what path you take, if you have the right mindset, the willingness to adjust, and the ability to learn, you will be successful in whatever you choose to do in life.