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Journal Entry 15: Digital Forensics

Objective: Describe what you think about the speaker's pathway to his career.

I liked how the speaker recounted his days when digital forensics started. It boomed in popularity with CSI: Criminal Investigations. His stories also told of how far digital forensics had gotten. Back then, a ten gigabyte hard drive would take five hours to fully copy its contents, both visible and deleted. Now, it'd take the same amount of time to copy a one terabyte hard drive. He also emphasized the importance of data integrity. He'd take pictures and copy them onto floppy disks; the evidence wouldn't be disturbed. He reveals how social skills are needed through a recounting of a case study, where he consulted his clients. The speaker also reveals how engaging a life as a digital forensics consultant can be.