Free Write #7

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Your free write for this week is to watch this video and pay attention to the way that movies distort hackers. H <u>acker Rates 12 Hacking Scenes In Movies And TV | How Real Is It? - YouTube.</u> After watching the video, write a journal entry about how you think the media influences our understanding about cybersecurity.

After watching this video, I was really surprised at how many were somewhat accurate portrayals of cyber security events and were given high ratings by the host. I think these Hollywood movies are pinned to find a nice balance between real scenarios and making it as exciting as they can. There were a lot of different attacks displayed, showing a wide variety of ways people can be exploited. It can go from network hacking to using OPSEC for spear phishing attacks. The host pointed out a couple times how some of these scenes are shot in a matter of seconds or minutes when in reality it would have taken hours or even days for some of them. This creates a false narrative for viewers that have no experience with technology that hacking can be done with ease.