

Chapter 8 : Ethical Issues Involving Computer Security: Hacking, Hacktivism, and Counterhacking

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What I expect to learn: What I expect to learn from this chapter is the definition of Ethical Issues Involving security and what it is all about and its relation to Hacking, Hacktivism, and Counterhacking.

Quote: “Many hackers believe benign intrusions not calculated to cause damage can be on the strength of variety of considerations”

Review: This chapter talks about the ethical issues involving security hacking but let us first define what is Computer security is all about. Computer Security is like securing the data of you computer not only your computer but also your hard drive because some important files might be in it, that is why we should be careful and always make it safe to keep it from hackers because they will hack the data in your system or computer even if there are in a different location, there are called professional hackers because they know how to hack you system within a second. The chapter talks about “The Prima Facie case against hacking” according to the text “it might seem obvious that hacking is wrong although the more malicious of these acts involve serious wrongs because of the harm they cause, all are wrong because they constitute a digital trespass onto the property of another person.” Meaning hacking someone’s computer by getting its information is wrong because it is not yours and it still belongs to the person which gives you no right or authority to analyze and go through their system at all that is why it is wrong because the owner did not give you any consent to do that and because hacking is illegal many people are doing it for the sake of gaining the information of the other party that is why we have to be careful on the information that we will encode and save on our computers if these information could be save through a paper then we should do it. We don’t have to save it on the computer for convenient purposes because that information would be in much more danger if you will store it in your computer.

What I have learned:

1. I have learned that Hacking is wrong.
2. There are social benefits in hacking.
3. Hacking is wrong because it involved getting and harming the information of the other party.
4. We should respect the privacy of other people and be careful about their information.
5. We should not click and trust pop-ups because it might be virus that can hack our system.

Integrative Questions:

1. Why do many people do hacking?
2. What is the relation of hacking in ethics?
3. What is the purpose of hackers in hacking other peoples system?
4. Is hacking well in a different point of view or side?
5. How can we prevent hackers from hacking?