Read the following articles:

* <http://www.cbc.ca/news/technology/ransomware-europe-russia-ukraine-petya-bitcoin-1.4179683>
* <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/oshawa-hospital-cyberattack-1.4114758>
* <https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2017/05/13/ontario-health-ministry-on-high-alert-amid-global-cyberattack.html>

Guidelines for writing a supported opinion paragraph (SOP)

* + <http://schools.peelschools.org/sec/fletchersmeadow/studentlife/OSSLTprep/Documents/Sample_%20Writing%20a%20Supported%20opinion%20paragraph.pdf>

**Level 1: Ransomware Basics**

1. What is a ransomware attack?

The ransomware attack is a malicious software that locks up computer files with all-but-unbreakable encryption and then demands a ransom for its release.

1. How does ransomware work and what does it affect?

The ransomware works by locking up files and letting you get the information back until you pay a certain amount of money and it can damage your computer.

**Level 2: Canada & Other Countries**

1. What was affected in Canada in the articles above?

A number of Canadian organizations and individuals were affected by this attack

1. How badly was Canada affected?

Lakeridge Health is one of Ontario's largest community hospitals and they said it appeared the ransomware threatened its computer system

1. What other countries were affected?

The cyber-attack has affected computers and networks around the world, including the ones that run Britain's hospital network, Germany's national railway and scores of other companies and government agencies worldwide.

**Level 3: Canada & Other Countries**

1. Where did the attack come from?

They actually don’t know where the attack came from because these attacks are usually run this campaign and hope to infect as many devices as they can

1. Why was the attack started?

The attack was started because they want infect as many computers as they can

1. How was the attacked stopped?

The attack was stopped by using a antivirus software

1. How could you be affected by a ransomware attack?

Someone can be affected by a ransomware attack is by if they have a weak software or there computer isn’t protected in any way

1. How can you protect yourself against a ransomware attack?

I can protect myself from ransomware by updating my computer so it has some type of anti-virus in it or block away suspicious ads