

Open-Source Intelligence

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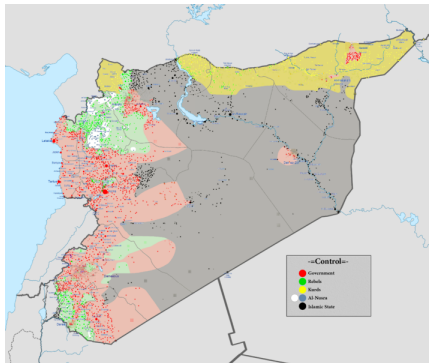
Focus: Social Engineering

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Roll for INT

- HUMINT** : human intelligence, what a person can tell you from direct experience of your target.
- SIGINT** : signals intelligence, what a wiretap can tell you from observing your target's communications.
- OSINT** : open-source intelligence, what normal public sources of information can tell you about your target.

Is OSINT enough?



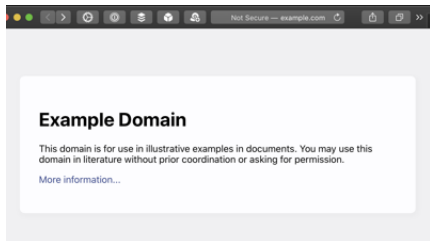
The Target

Example Corp.
"The template for success"

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- `example.com`
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- `https://linkedin.com/company/example-corp-uk`

The Website



- Contact Details
- Web Design
- Business Partners & Investors
- “Meet the Team”
- “Join Us”

whois – redacted.

Google Dorks, e.g., `site:example.com *.pdf`

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More About Joe



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Lyrebird steals your voice to make you say things you didn't – and we hate this future

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Hastening the arrival of a world in which simulation is indistinguishable from reality, startup Lyrebird has announced plans to power up an online service that can imitate a person's voice.

Given roughly a minute of voice samples from a specific person, the upstart's system can, via an API, convert supplied text into spoken words that sound a lot like the human source.

As if to establish the technology's potential for spoofing political figures and spreading fake news, Lyrebird has [provided audio clips](#) that feature the voices of Donald Trump, Barack Obama, and Hillary Clinton, saying sentences they never said themselves.

Notes

Example Corp. was a *real example* – it took maybe 30 minutes to go from the name of a randomly-selected company to uncovering a mass of information on it and on “Joe”.

We could go further:

- Discover, investigate & spoof phone numbers;
- Discover email addresses for employees;
- Enumerate low-level employees via LinkedIn;
- Search data breaches, card info dumps.

Warning

Gathering public information is not illegal.

Harassing people is.