Module 14 Journal Entry

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This video is super interesting and really validates the path I think I'm going to take away from cybersecurity. I currently work as a network engineer for a navy contractor and I have been considering moving away from the IT field and into electrical engineering. This switch is as drastic as moving from accountant to digital forensics in my opinion. Davin talks about his transitions being fueled by analytical skills, curiosity. and critical thinking. He wanted to move to a field that would satisfy both his technical and human behavior interests. Though his path is unconventional I don't think it's too terribly uncommon as people change careers all the time and for good reason, it may take years to realize that you don't like your current position or that you really like a different field. He used problem solving and ethical reasoning to make the switch saying digital forensics doesn't just take the technical knowledge but the physiological understanding to figure out why people do the things they do or fall for the things they fall for. I think this is especially the case when determining causes of phishing attacks and reviewing the original message and in some cases realizing you would've fallen for the same thing. Even if you are very tech savvy you will have an off day and unfortunately that's when you will slip up and fall for a phishing attack. But figuring these details out takes someone who can think psychologically and figure out the behavioral causes of these attacks to prevent it from happening again.

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