

Cybersecurity Task-1

Threat Report (Awareness & Research Project)

Objective

The goal of this task is to help you **understand the current landscape of cybersecurity threats**, analyze their impact, and learn how professionals present findings in the form of **threat intelligence reports**.

By completing this task, you will:

- Gain awareness of modern cyber risks.
- Develop **research and analytical skills**.
- Learn how to present technical knowledge in a **professional report format**.
- Create a **portfolio-ready project** that you can showcase on LinkedIn or GitHub.



Task Description

You are working as a **Cybersecurity Analyst Intern** at a company (simulation). Your manager has asked you to prepare a **Threat Intelligence Report** highlighting the **latest cybersecurity threats (2024–2025)** and possible defense measures.

Your report should include:

1. Introduction to Cybersecurity

- What is Cybersecurity?
- Why is it important for individuals and businesses?
- Current relevance (cyber crimes increasing, digital dependency, AI-driven threats).

2. Identify 5 Major Modern Cyber Threats (examples you may use, or you can research new ones):

- **AI-Powered Phishing Attacks** (emails, deepfakes, social engineering).
- **Ransomware-as-a-Service (RaaS)** (ransomware kits available to criminals).
- **Cloud Security Misconfigurations** (data leaks from AWS, GCP, Azure).
- **IoT Vulnerabilities** (smart devices being hacked).
- **Zero-Day Exploits** (unpatched vulnerabilities).

3. Impact Analysis

- For each threat, explain how it can harm:
 - Individuals (data theft, financial fraud).
 - Organizations (loss of data, downtime, reputation damage, compliance issues).

4. Real-World Case Studies

- Research and include **at least 1 real-world incident** for each threat. Example:
 - WannaCry Ransomware (2017).
 - SolarWinds Supply Chain Attack (2020).
 - Capital One Cloud Misconfiguration Breach (2019).

5. Preventive Measures

- Suggest at least 2–3 solutions for each threat. Examples:
 - Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA).
 - Zero Trust Security Model.
 - Regular Patch Management.
 - Firewalls, IDS/IPS systems.
 - Security Awareness Training.

6. Conclusion & Future Scope

- Summarize why **proactive cybersecurity** is important.
- Mention the need for **continuous learning** because threats keep evolving.

Guidelines & Resources

1. Format of the Report

- Title Page (Internship Program Name, Task-1, Your Name).
- Table of Contents.
- Introduction.
- Threat Analysis (each threat explained with case study + solution).
- Conclusion.
- References (links to sources you used).

2. Length

- Minimum: **1000–1200 words** (5–8 pages).
- Or create a **10–12 slides PPT** if you prefer presentation style.

3. Tools for Research

- [OWASP](#) – Web security reference.
- [CISA Cyber Alerts](#) – Latest cyber threats.
- [KrebsOnSecurity](#) – Cybercrime news.
- [IBM Security Blog](#) – Threat research.

4. Writing Support

- Use **MS Word, Google Docs, or PowerPoint** for report creation.
- Maintain professional formatting (headings, bullet points, tables if possible).
- Include **diagrams, charts, or infographics** (you can make simple ones using Canva or PowerPoint).

Deliverables

- A **well-structured PDF or PPT file** covering all the above sections.
- File should be named properly:
 - Example: Cybersecurity_Threat_Report_Task1_[YourName].pdf

Free Resources & Support for Task-1 (Cybersecurity Threat Report)

Learning Resources (Free & Trusted)

Cybersecurity Basics (Understanding the Domain)

- [Cybrary – Free Cybersecurity Courses](#)
- [Cisco Networking Academy – Introduction to Cybersecurity \(Free\)](#)
- [Coursera – Cybersecurity for Everyone \(Free Audit\)](#)

Threats & Trends (Latest Updates)

- [CISA \(Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency\)](#) – Official U.S. alerts on ongoing threats.
- [IBM Security Blog](#) – Modern cyberattack research.
- [KrebsOnSecurity](#) – Real-world cybercrime news.
- [OWASP Top 10 \(Web Threats\)](#) – The 10 most critical web app security risks.

Case Studies & Incidents

- [Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report \(Free PDF\)](#)
- [ENISA Threat Landscape Report](#) – EU Cybersecurity Agency reports.