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Essay about Data vs. Information

The database of corrupt robots (DCR) has the names, models, serial numbers, manufacturers, and last known locations of every robot which has come under a corrupting effect, whether from imbibing too much, getting lost, or wandering out into the wilderness where there is no cellular or internet connection. The data is organized based on the serial number of the robot, because each of those numbers is unique. With each robot, the serial number links to a full description of the robot, including model, manufacturer, name, last known location, and the date that the robot was last seen. Just having the serial numbers of the robots means which are lost and not a description of the robot or where they have been spotted. The information given from looking at the database allows robot hunters to track their prey, hopefully leading to a successful capture and reboot.