Online Profile Risk Assessment Worksheet

Question 1:

What are common threats to the security of online profiles?  
(Review the *Potential Security Threats* lecture)

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Question 2:

Review your own social media presence. What social media sites do you use (include any sites you have an account for, even if you are not active on those accounts)

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Question 3:

Select the 2 social media sites you are most active on. For these sites, identify the personal information you may have shared.

Don’t just consider information like your name and address. Have you shared your school name, pets name, sport team, type of family car, etc. – or pictures of any of these. While this information might not necessarily identify you, it could be used in a social engineering attack.

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Question 4:

Go to the website *Have I Been Pwned?* <https://haveibeenpwned.com/>   
Enter any email address you use to log into your social media accounts.

List any data breaches found for any of your email addresses:

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Question 5:

Log out of all your social media accounts or open a private tab in your Internet browser (in Firefox press Ctrl + Shift + P, in Chrome press Ctrl + Shift + N). Perform an ego search.

Can you find information about yourself using a search engine?

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What type of information appears about you? (For example, is there a photo of you, information about where you live, etc?)

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Question 6:

Considering your answers to all the questions above, rate your risk for the following threats.  
(Simply tick the appropriate box according to your own judgement – there is no need to provide any details)

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| Threat | High Risk | Medium Risk | Low Risk | Not applicable or Unknown |
| It would be easy for someone to dox me  (My personal information is easily discoverable) |  |  |  |  |
| It would be easy for someone to hack my accounts  (My email has been disclosed in one or more data breaches and I reuse passwords) |  |  |  |  |
| Someone could guess my password  (My password is based on personal information – like a pet’s name – which is easily discoverable) |  |  |  |  |
| Someone could phish/social engineer me  (Information about where I work or who I bank with, etc is discoverable and could be used in a social engineering attack) |  |  |  |  |
| Information about me online does not reflect the image I want to present  (Could a future employer consider not hiring you based on information they might discover about you online?) |  |  |  |  |