Read the following articles:

* <http://www.cbc.ca/news/technology/ransomware-europe-russia-ukraine-petya-bitcoin-1.4179683>
* <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/oshawa-hospital-cyberattack-1.4114758>
* <https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2017/05/13/ontario-health-ministry-on-high-alert-amid-global-cyberattack.html>

Guidelines for writing a supported opinion paragraph (SOP)

* + <http://schools.peelschools.org/sec/fletchersmeadow/studentlife/OSSLTprep/Documents/Sample_%20Writing%20a%20Supported%20opinion%20paragraph.pdf>

**Level 1: Ransomware Basics**

1. What is a ransomware attack?

It was an attack that targeted Microsoft windows and demanded for random payment in bitcoin.

1. How does ransomwhare work and what does it affect?

Ransomware may lock the system in a way. Unless if you’re skilled at programing you can unlock your system. Ransomed affects your system and your files.

**Level 2: Canada & Other Countries**

1. What was affected in Canada in the articles above?

There was a hospital in Oshawa that was affected by an unpredicted ransomware.

1. How badly was Canada affected?

It affected us pretty badly. It affected many hospitals and the whole health ministry on high alert.

1. What other countries were affected?

Approximately over 150 other countries were affected by ransomeware.

**Level 3: Attack Details**

1. Where did the attack come from?

The ransomware attack originated from malware.

1. Why was the attack started?

It was originally intended to target individuals. Then they used it to make their profit out of and if you don’t pay them with bitcoin they would just giveaway your personal info online so everyone can see it.

1. How was the attacked stopped?

Malware tech ended up accidentally activating the kill switch which stopped the ransomware attack.

1. How could you be affected by a ransomware attack?

I could be affected by the ransomware attack by getting my files taken. If that does happen I’m not skilled at programming or hacking so I can’t undo the lock that they would add on my system.

1. How can you protect yourself against a ransomwhare attack?

To protect myself from the ransomware attack some precautions I can take is have a virus protector on my computer, so the virus wont spread to my computer and take all my files.