

GOAL SETTING WORKSHEET

GOALS

What is it that you want to achieve?	How will you know you have reached your goal?	What will achieving this goal provide you? What are the benefits? Why are you passionate about this?
I aim to enhance my cybersecurity skills and knowledge.	I have used my skills to assist organizations or individuals in improving their cybersecurity posture.	It offers the opportunity to improve others' cybersecurity posture, enhancing safety and trust in the digital world.

REALITY

Where are you now?	How did you get here?	What have you learned on your journey to get here?
I am actively enhancing my cybersecurity skills by pursuing certifications.	I reached this point by leveraging my experience as a tech media editor to pursue cybersecurity certifications, engage in hands-on projects, and build a strong professional network within the cybersecurity community.	I have learned the importance of continuous learning and adaptability and the value of hands-on experience in mastering cybersecurity tools.

LIMITS

What challenges do you see between you and your goal?	What are the barriers?	Would you need to sacrifice anything to achieve your goal? If so, what?
I face challenges in acquiring advanced technical expertise, balancing my current 9-to-5 job and securing the necessary resources and support.	Limited time, financial constraints for certifications and tool development, gaps in advanced technical expertise, and the need to expand my professional network	Yes, I would need to sacrifice some of my personal free time and financial resources to dedicate to obtaining advanced certifications.

OPTIONS

How might you achieve your goal? What habits, activities, and steps can you take?	What would you do if you had no fear?	What can help you achieve your goal? Resources, people, support structure, etc.
I can achieve my goal by consistently dedicating time each day to study and practice advanced cybersecurity and AI skills, actively participating in industry communities and competitions, and obtaining necessary certifications.	I would fully commit in taking bold risks to innovate and make a significant impact in the industry without worrying about potential failures.	I can achieve my goal by utilizing advanced training resources, seeking mentorship from cybersecurity experts, securing financial backing through investors or grants, and building a supportive network of industry professionals and collaborators.

ACTIVITIES/ACTIONS

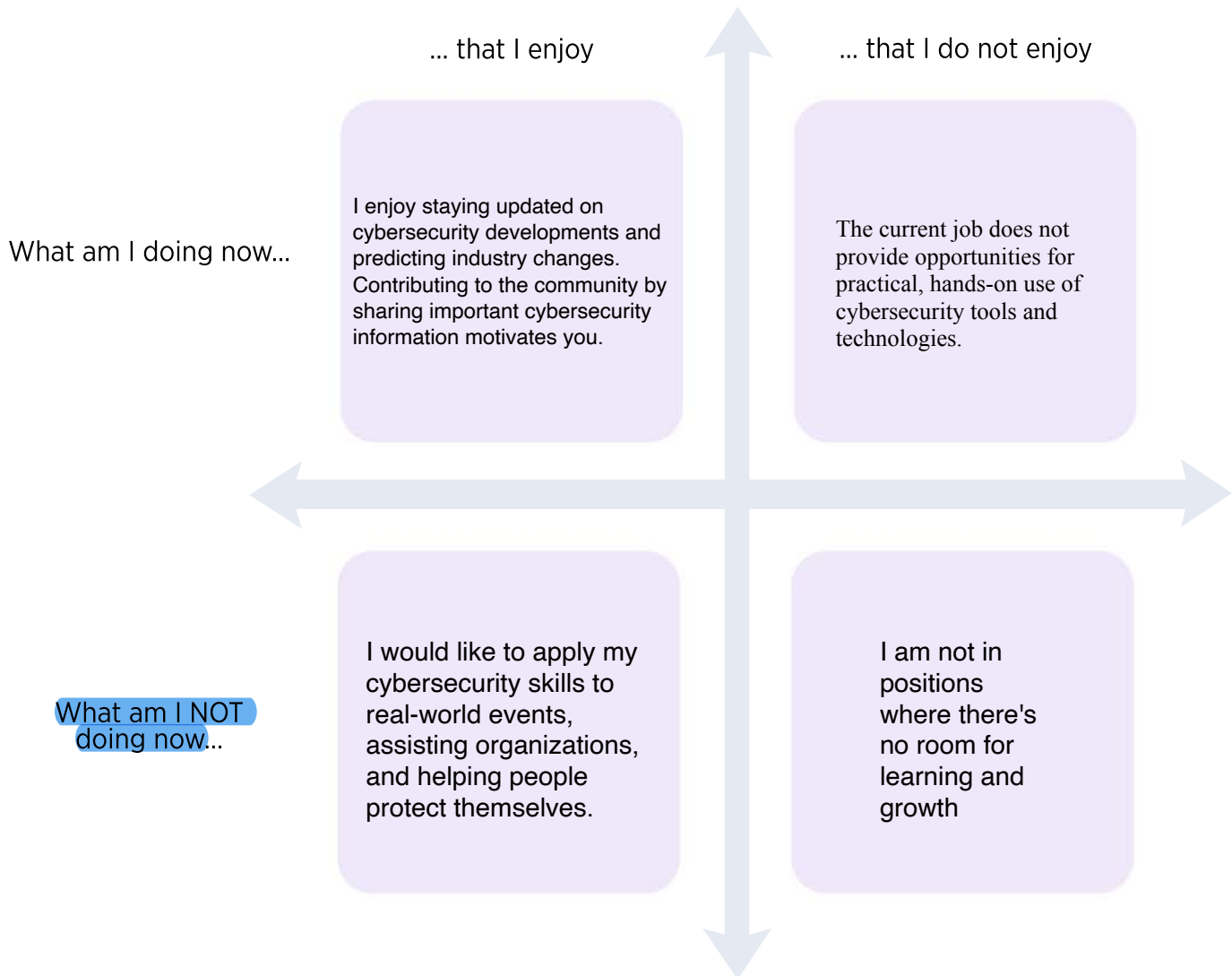
What will you definitely take action on?	What is one simple action you can commit to, to start you on your career goal path?	When will you take action?
I will definitely complete my CompTIA Security+ certification.	I will dedicate one hour each day to study for my CompTIA Security+ certification to strengthen my cybersecurity knowledge.	Now

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IDENTIFYING GOALS

Complete the following:

Fill in the chart thinking about your current role.



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