

(I do have slides)

You know, to support this rant on IR

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# We **DESPERATELY** need help

Thank you for your interest in cyber-security.



**China suspected of hacking diplomatic body for Pacific islands region**



**Data on nearly 1 million NHS patients leaked online following ransomware attack on London hospitals**



**Apple Drops Spyware Case Against NSO Group, Citing Risk of Threat Intelligence Exposure**

📅 Sep 16, 2024    Spyware / Threat Intelligence

Apple has filed a motion to "voluntarily" dismiss its lawsuit against commercial spyware vendor NSO Group, citing a shifting risk...

Cyber-security problems that we face

## Top Skillz for Incident Response

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1. Communication - your ability to share ideas and relate to others
2. Critical Thinking
  - Questioning 'Why?' instead of just doing
  - Develop solutions to solve the real/underlying problem
3. Technical literacy
4. Understanding of business/organization/enterprise
  - IT exists to help business - need to understand how cyberattacks affect and harm a business

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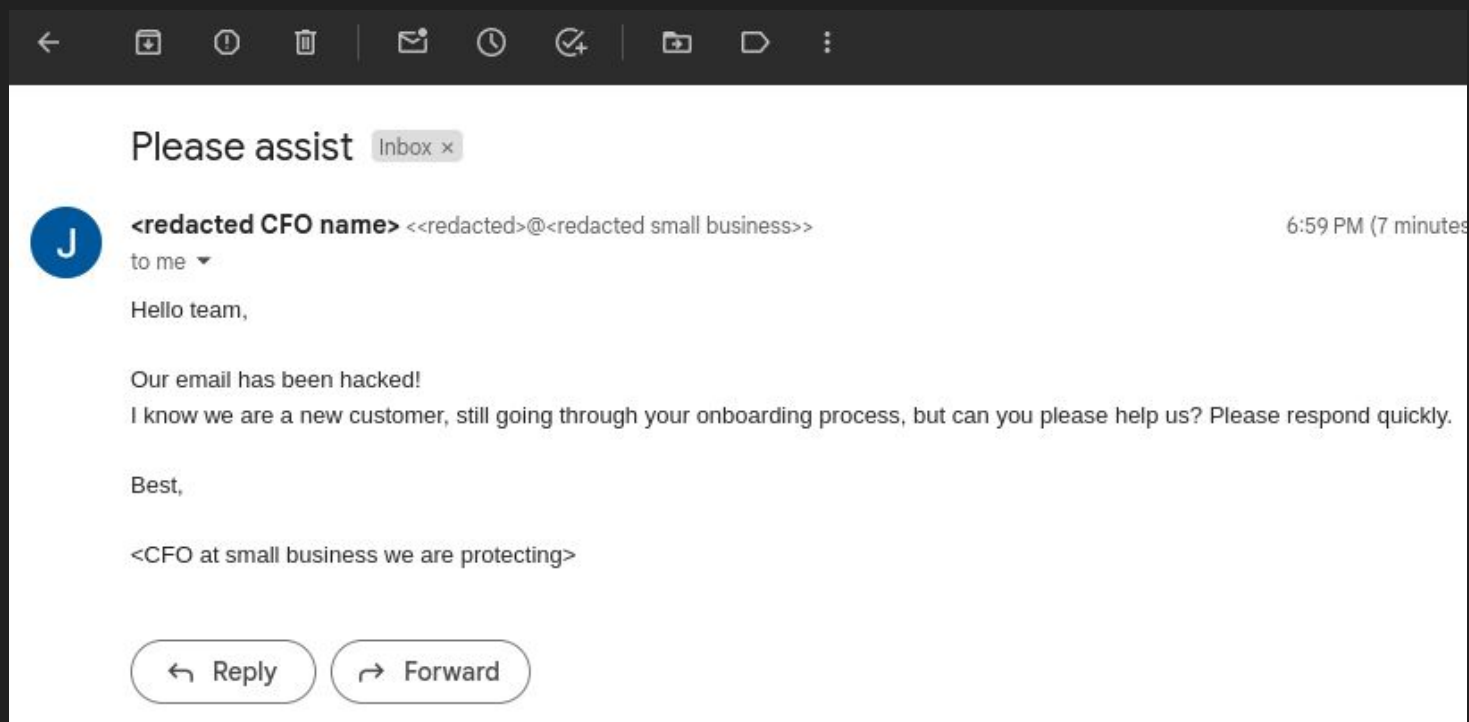
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## Top Skillz - What does this mean for students?

1. Communication - Writing and/or Comms classes (or practice giving talks)
2. Critical Thinking
3. Technical literacy - Ask questions & don't be afraid to not know everything
4. Understanding of business/organization/enterprise - Project Management, Finance, and/or Business Decision Making

## Incident B: Email from a Customer:



\*I ran this incident approx 3 months after graduating

## Incident B: Dialogue from Out-of-Band Comms.

### Timeline\*

1. C-suite received a number of emails from 'Bob'\*\* regarding an invoice
2. CFO replied to 'Bob' informing of invoice process - then received 'strange' response
3. Reset Bob's password - but Bob unable to receive new emails

\*the initial timeline for an incident should be based on **direct evidence** - not **attempted analysis**

\*\*I do remember the victim's name. It was not "Bob", but that's the name we're going with for this talk