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 is a type of malicious software that threatens people’s data by blocking their access unless if they pay.

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

It work when a person clicks an innocent attachment on the web and out of nowhere your computer becomes blocked from accessing your data. Hackers also infiltrate the network and are anonymous so they avoid detection.

**Level 2: Canada & Other Countries**

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

There was an attack on a hospital in Oshawa.

1. How badly was Canada affected?

Patients health and medical records were breached and they couldn’t access them.

1. What other countries were affected?

Canada Germany United KIngdom

**Level 3: Canada & Other Countries**

1. Where did the attack come from?

It was a code grey attack

1. Why was the attack started?

The attackers wanted to make money

1. How was the attacked stopped?

Microsoft changed its policy and updated all windows computers.

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

If you click on a suspicious link that is concincing.

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

Before clicking on a link think about if the link is safe and to make sure it is a website you trust. Also install a program like MacAfee.