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TOP 10 HACKERS AND DESCRIPTION ABOUT THEM :

1. Kevin Mitnick

- Status: Former black hat hacker turned white hat hacker.
- Actions: Infamous for hacking into various computer systems, including IBM and Nokia. He was later arrested, served time in prison, and became a cybersecurity consultant. Mitnick now helps organizations strengthen their security.

2. Julian Assange

- Status: Founder of WikiLeaks.
- Actions: Assange is known for publishing classified government documents on WikiLeaks. His actions have been a subject of debate, with some considering him a grey hat figure who promotes transparency, while others view him as a threat to national security.

3. Edward Snowden

- Status: Former CIA employee and NSA contractor.
- Actions: Snowden leaked a trove of classified NSA documents to journalists, exposing extensive government surveillance programs. He is widely regarded as a whistleblower who ignited a global debate on privacy and government overreach.

4. Kevin Poulsen

- Status: Former black hat hacker turned white hat hacker.
- Actions: Poulsen, known as the "Dark Dante," engaged in various hacking activities, including taking over phone lines for radio contests. After serving time in prison, he became a journalist and cybersecurity expert, focusing on online security issues.

5. Adrian Lamo

- Status: Grey hat hacker and journalist.

- Actions: Lamo reported Chelsea Manning's leak of classified documents to authorities, leading to Manning's arrest. His actions were controversial, and he later worked as a journalist, covering technology and security topics.

6. Chelsea Manning

- Status: Former U.S. Army intelligence analyst.
- Actions: Manning leaked a vast amount of classified documents to WikiLeaks, exposing government misconduct and sparking debates on transparency and national security. Manning is considered a whistleblower.

7. Gary McKinnon

- Status: Former black hat hacker.
- Actions: McKinnon hacked into U.S. government computers, searching for evidence of UFOs and government cover-ups. His actions led to extradition attempts by the U.S. but were ultimately blocked by the UK government.

8. Robert Tappan Morris

- Status: Computer scientist and entrepreneur.
- Actions: Morris created the Morris Worm, one of the first computer worms to spread across the internet. After facing legal consequences, he went on to contribute positively to the tech industry as an entrepreneur and professor.

9. Marcus Hutchins (MalwareTech)

- Status: Security researcher and white hat hacker.
- Actions: Hutchins gained recognition for his role in stopping the WannaCry ransomware attack. He is dedicated to cybersecurity and works to protect organizations from cyber threats.

10. Jonathan James

- Status: Former black hat hacker.
- Actions: James committed various cybercrimes, including hacking into NASA and stealing sensitive data. Tragically, he took his own life at a young age after facing legal consequences for his actions.

Please note that these labels are based on historical actions and may not fully capture the complexity of each individual's motivations or contributions to the field of computer security.