**Task -1 Top 10 Hackers**

Top 10 Notorious Hackers in the World

**1)Kevin Mitnik**

* Black Hat Hacker
* Hacked Digital Equipment Corporation's (DEC) network and made copies of their software,Pacific Bell's voicemail systems.
* Launched "Mitnick's Absolute Zero Day Exploit Exchange," which sells unpatched, critical software exploits to the highest bidder.
* “The hacker mindset doesn’t actually see what happens on the other side, to the victim.”

**2)Anonymous**

* Grey Hat Hackers
* Unknown group
* Disabled Church of Scientology websites, faxed machine with black images and negative search rankings in google
* Group named anons
* Tracked some but due to uncertainty in the identification its not possible to eliminate Anonymous

**3)Adrain Lamo**

* Grey Hat Hacker
* Also known as “The Homeless Hacker” because of small backpack and no fixed address
* Used an unprotected management tool Yahoo to modify a Reuters article and add a fake quote attributed to former Attorney General John Ashcroft.
* He Hacks systems and notifies press and victims.
* Hacked “The New York Times”

**4)Albert Gonzalez**

* Black Hat Hacker
* Leader of computer nerds in his high school
* Known as the greatest credit card hacker of all time
* The leader of the largest hacking and identity theft ring ever prosecuted by the U.S government,” stealing millions of credit card details over the span of just two years.
* Used basic SQL injection techniques to create malware backdoors on several corporate systems in order to launch packet-sniffing (specifically, ARP Spoofing) attacks, allowing him to steal computer data from internal corporate networks
* sentenced to 20 years in federal prison.

**5)Matthew Bevan and Richard Pryce**

* Black Hat Hackers
* British hackers who hacked into multiple military networks in 1996, including Griffiss Air Force Base, the Defense Information System Agency and the Korean Atomic Research Institute (KARI).
* Bevan (Kuji) and Pryce (Datastream Cowboy) have been accused of nearly starting a third world war after they dumped KARI research onto American military systems.
* Bevan was arrested for hacking into sensitive [USAF](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USAF), [NASA](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NASA), and [NATO](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NATO) facilities.
* Richard got software off the forums and one of them called the “bluebox”, could recreate various frequencies to get free phone calls. He used the software to make calls anywhere in the world for free.

**6)Jeanson James Ancheta**

* First Botnet Hijacker also known as the “Zombie king”
* Found rxbot while surfing on the internet ,he knows that it can easily surf on the internet ,it was quite easy to customize it and play with its features. After that, he began secretly hijacking tens of thousands of computer machines nationwide, including two military servers.
* He managed to set up a channel in IRC called “botz4sale” to rent his botnet army in order to make some money from it. He set up guidelines/manual on how many zombies would be needed to crash corporate websites depending on size and added rent rates with a minimum of 10K zombie machines at four cents apiece. The manual would also include the malicious code that would allow the botnets to spread or propagate.

**7)Michael Calce**

* White Hat Hacker
* Also known as “Mafia Boy”
* 9-year-old managed to hack AOL’s systems
* Michael finally broke to Outlawnet Inc, an ISP in Oregon which its network was operated by students at Sisters High School
* Discovered how to take over network university computers.
* He brought down Dell, eBay, CNN and Amazon using a [distributed-denial-of-service (DDoS)](https://www.kaspersky.com/resource-center/threats/ddos-attacks) attack that overwhelmed corporate servers and caused their websites to crash.
* First person to launch Dos attacks

**8)Kevin Poulsen**

* Black Hat Hacker
* Also Known as “Dark Dante”

## Hacking ARPANET’s network(was a computer network that linked universities with computers across the country by telephone lines, and it was funded by the Pentagon) with his friend Austin.

## The Stanford Research Institute hired Kevin to teach their military officials how to secure their networks with a hefty yearly salary. He served in the department where it was responsible for security codes that protect communications between RSI and the military. He went from an underground hacker to a government hacker, where he could hack and receive a paycheck for his efforts.

## He hacked a radio station contest and ensured that he was the 102nd caller, winning a brand new Porsche, a vacation, and $20,000.

## Both Black and white Hat hacker of sometime

**9)Jonathan James**

* Gray hat ethical hacker
* Also known as “cOmrade”
* He hacked into the computers of the United States Department of Defense.(at age of 15)
* Inspired by the book *The Cuckoo’s Egg*, which details the hunt for a computer hacker in the 1980s.
* His hacking allowed him to access over 3,000 messages from government employees, usernames, passwords and other sensitive data.

**10)ASTRA**

* He has never revealed his identity publicly
* Identified as 58 year old greek mathematician
* He had been hacking into the Dassault Group for almost half a decade. During that time, he stole cutting edge weapons technology software and data which he then sold to 250 individuals around the world. His hacking cost the Dassault Group $360 million in damages.
* The word 'ASTRA' is a Sanskrit word for 'weapon'.