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Constructing an Annotated Bibliography on Cyber Security Topics.

1. Introduction

An annotated bibliography is an organized list of sources (references) such as books, journals, conference's proceedings, etc., each of which is followed by an annotation, usually a critical commentary or explanatory note. In general, bibliographic annotations may serve all or part of the following functions:

- Describe the content (focus) of the source.
- Describe the usefulness of the source in relationship to a given project/goal.
- Discuss any limitations that the source may have, e.g. grade level, timeliness etc.
- Evaluate the methods (research) used in the source.
- Evaluate reliability of the source.
- Discuss the author's background.
- Discuss any conclusions the author(s) may have made.
- Etc.

2. Task to do

In this assignment you are expected to construct an annotated bibliography. In addition, each reference will be followed by a short analytical summary of 200-250 words. Your annotated bibliography, specifically focusing on a Cybersecurity topic of your choice. However, when selecting a topic, keep in mind that it should be a topic on which a number of studies or scholarly articles have been published.

Your Annotated bibliography must use correct grammar, and will need to include at least ten (10) resources, ALL of which must:

1. Be current. Published within the last few years.
2. Be peer-reviewed.
3. Relate directly to cybersecurity.

Remember that an annotation is not the same as an abstract. Abstracts are descriptive. Your annotations are to be evaluative and critical. Give enough information for the reader to decide if he's interested enough to read the paper, and also how you perceive the paper. This exercise is for each of you to demonstrate that you can identify, categorize, and digest multiple research papers.

Every resource you choose must be peer reviewed. That means the paper must have undergone a formal peer review before being published in a journal or presented at a conference. You must

ensure that your resources have undergone rigorous reviews. In most cases, you can find out the review process for a conference or journal by visiting the appropriate web site. Do not simply assume that a resource is peer reviewed - check it out.



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