Assignment 1

This assignment is to help me get to know you and what you hope to achieve in this class. There are no right or wrong answers.

You will turn in a three paragraph write-up.

In the first paragraph, tell me who you are. Where do you come from? What have you studied in the past? Tell me a little bit about you personally and professionally. In general, answer the question, "Who are you?"

In the second paragraph, describe your previous experience with computer security and cryptography (if any), why you are interested in this class, and what you would like to have achieved or learned by the end of the course. If you want a career in security or cryptography after this, tell me! It's also okay to tell me that you're just taking the course because it's a way to fulfill a requirement.

In the third paragraph, describe what you think are the three most pressing and important issues in computer security, privacy, or cryptography.

Optionally, you can include a photograph of yourself, to help me get to know you as well.