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Week 1 Vocabulary



newsgroup

Noun : An area on a computer network devoted to discussion of a specific topic



forum

Noun: Any discussion group available on the internet, which functions much like a bulletin board.



encryption

Verb: to alter a file using a secret code that increases security, so as to be unintelligible to unauthorized parties



decryption

Verb: The act of using a secret code to unlock a message by authorized parties.



spam

Noun: Any unsolicited email, which is sent to individuals.



cookie

Noun: A packet of information sent from a server to a user's web browser, which is then sent back to the server each time the user accesses the server's web page



anonymizer

Noun: A software that offers secure web browsing and encrypted email services to internet users wishing to hide their identity online.



Opt-out

Verb: A method of requiring an individual to respond to an offer in order to keep from receiving some type of goods or service—usually used in marketing.



firewall

Noun: software or hardware used to prevent or control some communications forbidden by a network security policy.



Open Source

Noun: Software that has a publicly-available source code, where users are treated as co-developers. Open source offers technical excellence because users find and correct the flaws (bugs) in the software.