

Cybersecurity Resume Bullet Builder

Turn hands-on work into credible resume bullets.

North Star Security

Use this worksheet to turn projects, labs, tickets, and investigations into specific cybersecurity resume bullets.

1. Base formula

- > [Action verb] [security task] using [tool/data/source], documented
- > [evidence/output], and recommended or completed [action/outcome].

2. Action verbs

- Investigated
- Analyzed
- Documented
- Validated
- Reviewed
- Correlated
- Triaged
- Summarized
- Remediated
- Reported

3. Evidence words

- timeline
- incident report
- vulnerability summary
- log analysis
- evidence packet
- control note
- remediation plan
- executive summary
- evidence-backed answer

4. Before and after

Weak:

- > Did a cybersecurity lab.

Stronger:

- > Investigated simulated SSH brute-force activity using authentication logs,
- > documented a timeline and source IP summary, and produced an incident report
- > with recommended account security actions.

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- > Used vulnerability scanner.

Stronger:

- > Validated vulnerability scan results against affected assets, documented
- > evidence and business impact, and wrote a remediation recommendation with
- > retest steps.

5. Your worksheet

What did you investigate/build/review?

What tools, logs, or data did you use?

What evidence did you produce?

What decision or recommendation came from the work?

Final resume bullet:

6. Credibility check

Before using the bullet, ask:

- Can I explain every word in an interview?
- Is this based on work I actually did?
- Does it name evidence or output?
- Does it avoid exaggeration?

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Specific beats generic. Evidence beats buzzwords.