

The concept of victim precipitation can be applied to cybersecurity by malicious actors taking advantage of a user's lack of knowledge in the field. Many people that use the internet are not well informed of the dangers that the internet provides, making them a perfect target for exploitation. Phishing is one of the most common techniques used by cybercriminals to trick people into revealing sensitive information because of the carelessness people have when clicking links in emails they believe are trustworthy. Cyberbullying is another issue for active users on the internet. A malicious actor might use methods such as blackmail, threats, and rumor spreading to take advantage of or control a victim without ever making in-person contact.

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