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Block 2B

Iceberg Model

How easier is it to disappear in the digital age? A writer named Evan Ratliff tried to disappear from the world and create a new identity living off grid as they hold a man hunting contest searching for him with a bounty of $5,000 if you take a picture of him and receive the password. This contest show how much information you can find on people and still have difficult locating them off the web. He had set up a fake business to propjet fake line to hide his whereabouts from internet detectives and set up a fake Facebook to give his new identity a sense of life and believable credits. Also he went on to different chat rooms and websites set up by people searching for him and using the clues and hints of people getting closer to his whereabouts to figure his next move.

People in the world are trying to figure out how difficult it is to start over in the world we live in today. With the amount of information out there from your birthday to what party you went to last weeks with sites that show pictures, location, and thoughts like Facebook, Twitter, and MySpace. It goes to show that everything you thought twenty years ago has evolved as the world change and connects to one another. Information about one person can be found and spread around the web to people in London, African countries, and Brazil. People have for years tried to vanish into the world leaving behind family, jobs, and loved ones.
 The reasons why people in the world today removed themselves from society is because of the thrill of succeeding at the near impossible. Hiding one person from the multiple people is the ultimate games of hide and seeks. Also to test the bounds of difficult and easiness of criminals who tries to escape and disappear in plain sights of the world. Another example of people going into hiding in plain sight is the Federal Witness Protection Program which helps protect and gives a new identity and location to witnesses of extremes crimes by mobs, gangs, human traffic rings, and crafty business people.