

Secure Coding: Preventing Insufficient Logging & Monitoring

UNDERSTANDING INSUFFICIENT LOGGING & MONITORING

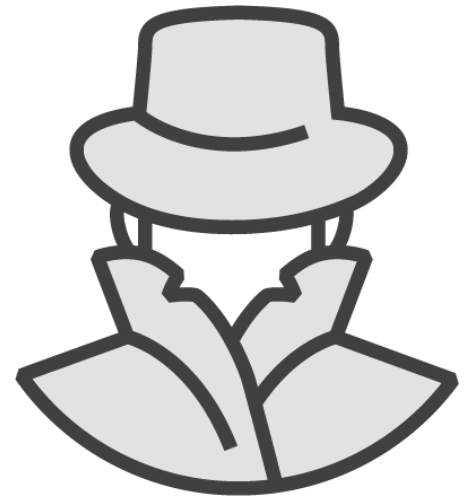
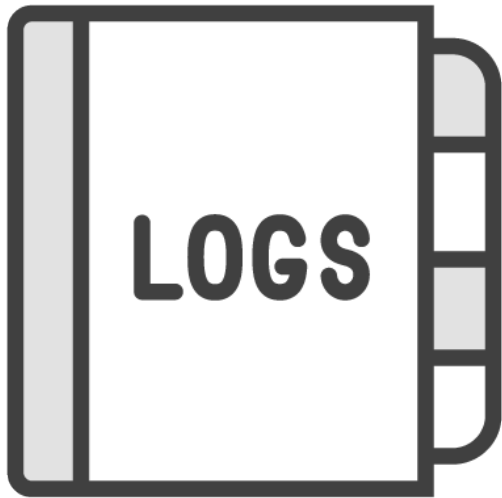


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Why This Course?



Course Overview



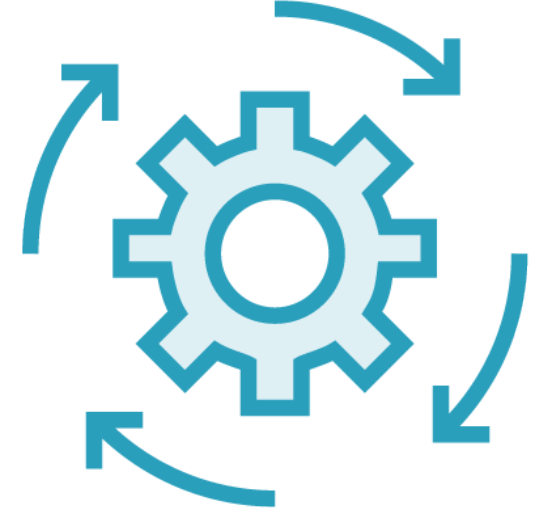
Understanding
Insufficient
Logging &
Monitoring



What
Applications
Should and
Shouldn't Log



Ensuring and
Improving the
Quality of Log
Files



Setting Up an
Effective
Monitoring
Strategy

Setting the Scope

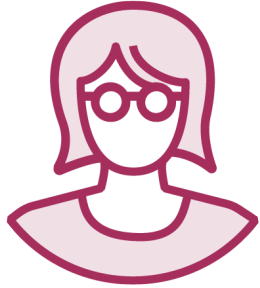
Security Software

Operating Systems

Networking Equipment

Applications

Determining the Audience



Software Developers



System Architects



DevOps Engineers



System Administrators



Security Professionals



Team

In order to properly defend,
logging and monitoring
is crucial

Module Overview



Introducing the Scenario

What Is Insufficient Logging & Monitoring?

Insufficient Logging & Monitoring and the OWASP Top 10

Logging, Monitoring and Alerting

Introducing the Scenario

The Players



Dave the Defender
System Administrator



Alan the Attacker
The Bad Guy

Scenario

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Username *

Password *

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Scenario

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Bad username or password

Username

Password

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Sign in

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Looking for Leaked Passwords



username: bob@globomantics.com
password: ab89—PKJ

username: charlie@globomantics.com
password: goRAIDERS66

username: eva@globomantics.com
password: studio54



Credential Stuffing

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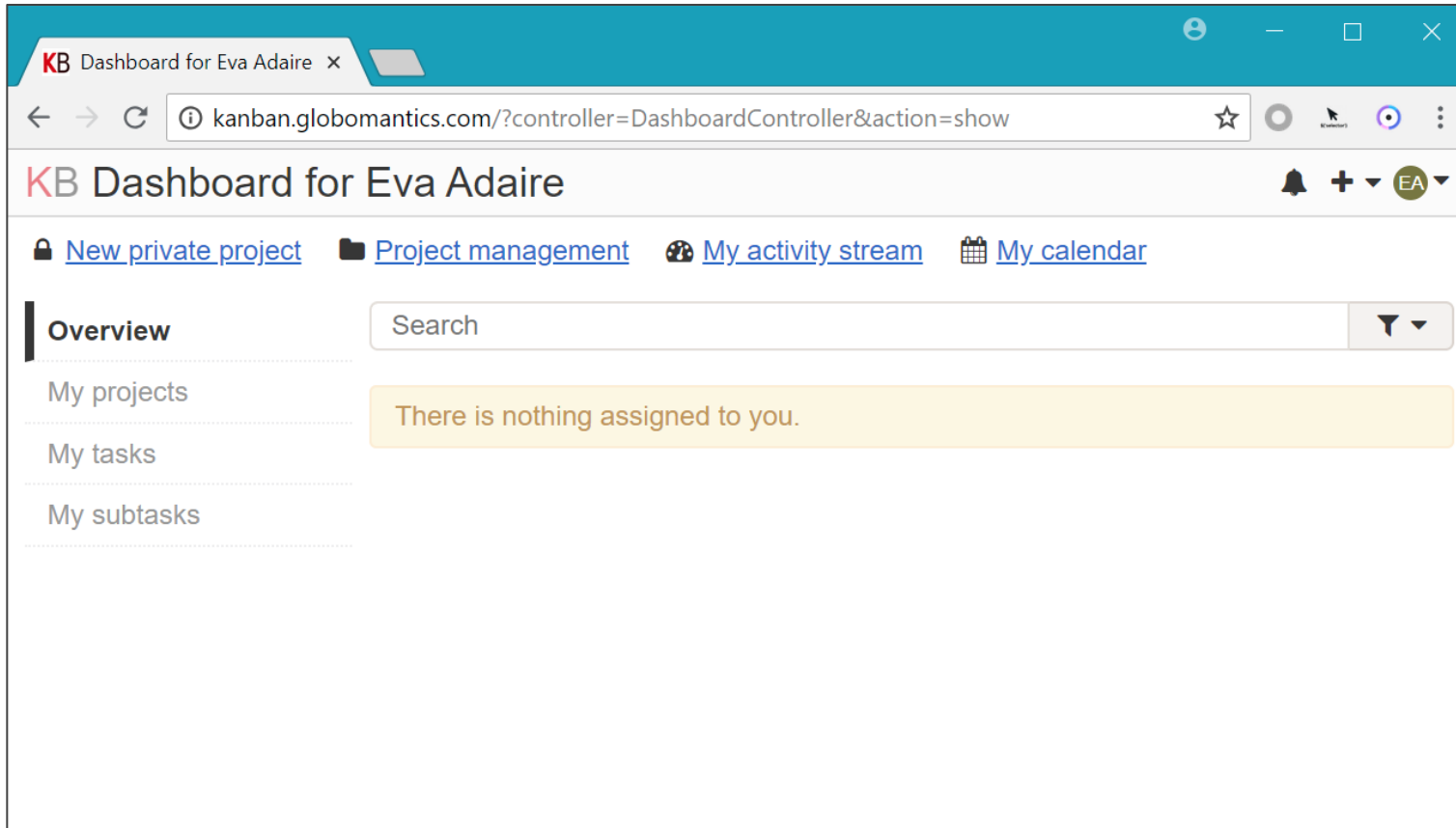
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Successful Login







Information Gathering

KB Internal Operations

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KB Internal Operations

Menu ▾ Overview Board List Calendar status:open

+ Backlog ▾ (2)	+ Ready ▾ (1)	+ Work in progress ▾ (1)	+ Done
<div>#3 ▾  Fix connection issues with database3 <div><15m <15m P0</div></div>	<div>#1 ▾  Move server to new hosting location <div><15m <15m P0</div></div>	<div>#2 ▾  Eva Adaire EA Reconfigure firewall <div><15m <15m P0</div></div>	
<div>#4 ▾  Research new change management software <div><15m <15m P0</div></div>			



Network Pivoting



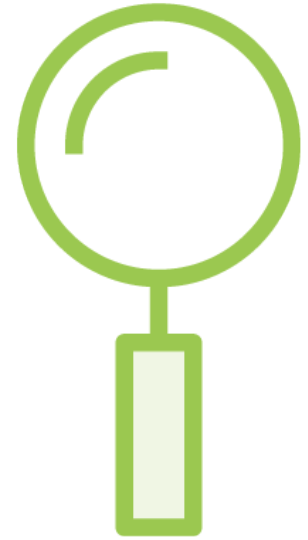
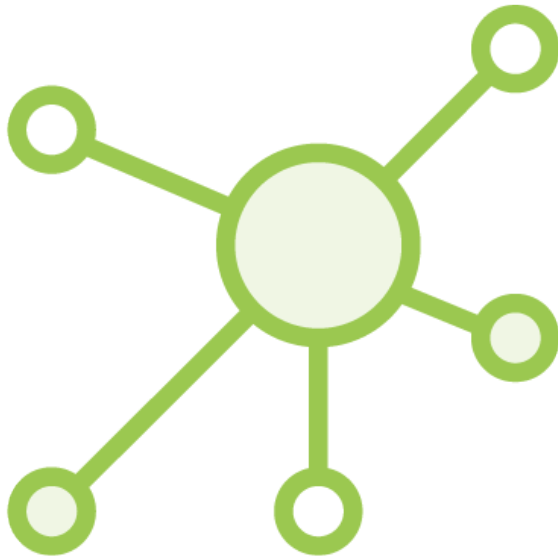
Data Exfiltration



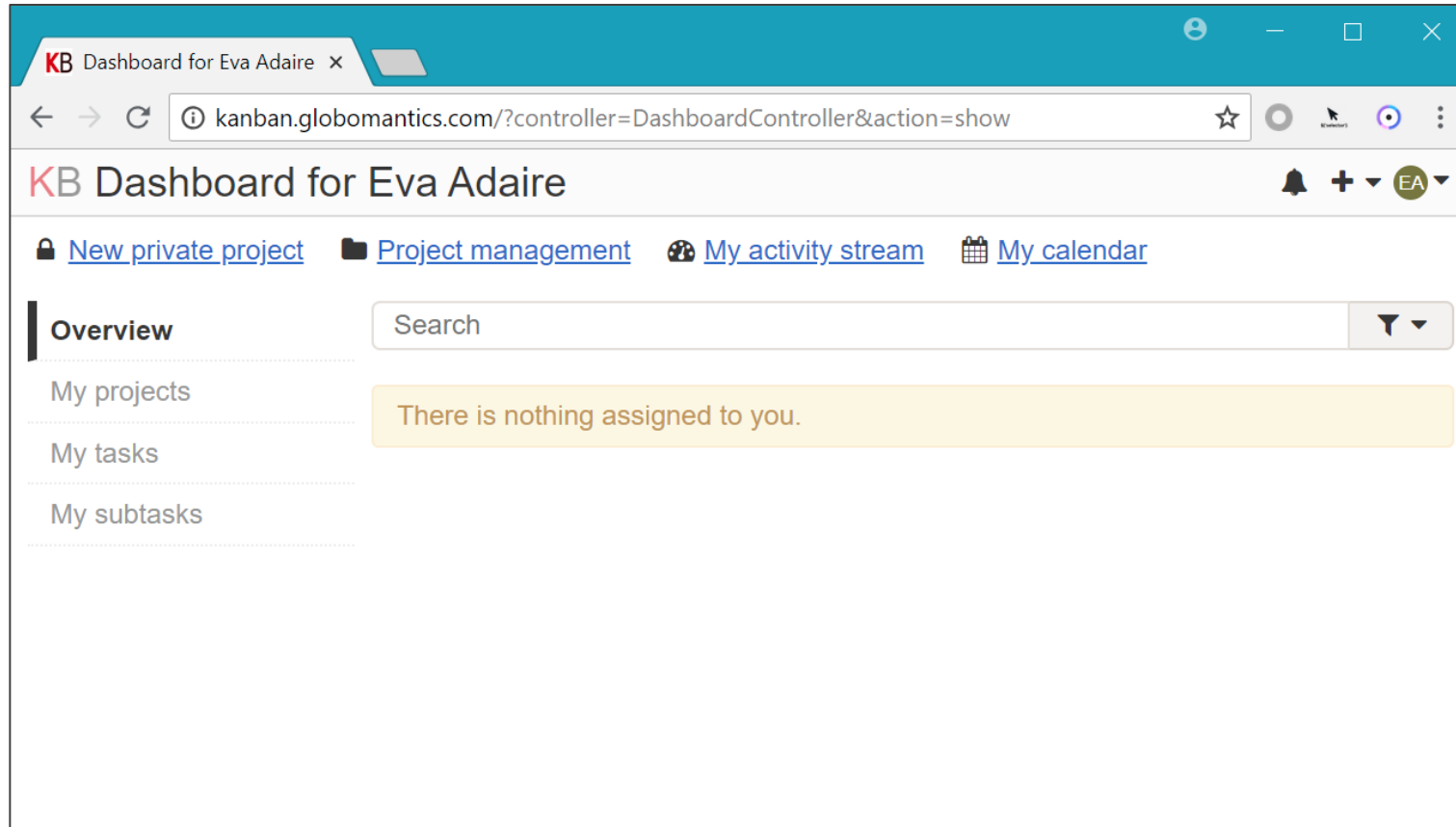
Request for Ransom



Incident Response



Initial Intrusion





Detect intrusion on time

Prevent worse from happening

What Is Insufficient Logging & Monitoring?



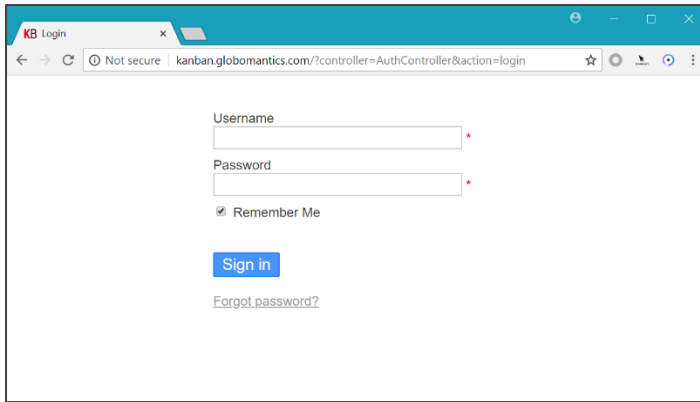
Vulnerability



Control



Attacker



Re-using Passwords



**Does Not Match a
Leaked Password**



Attacker

Insufficient Logging and Monitoring



Lack of quantity of logged events

Lack of quality of log files



Lack of availability of log files



Failure to respond on time

What Is Happening?



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Not Knowing What Is Happening

Lack of Quantity

Lack of Quality

Lack of Availability

No Timely Response

Lack of Situational Awareness



Insufficient Logging and Monitoring

A lack of situational awareness

Logging and Monitoring Is Necessary For



Situational awareness and timely discovery



Escalation prevention



Forensics

The initial compromise
is usually just the beginning

Insufficient Logging & Monitoring and the OWASP Top 10

Open Web Application Security Project



OWASP

Open Web Application
Security Project

Not-for-profit organization

Make software security visible

Content from volunteers

OWASP Top 10



OWASP Top 10 - 2017

Most critical web application security risks

Main goal to educate people

Input from

- data submissions
- industry survey

10: Insufficient Logging and Monitoring

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:2017

Insufficient Logging & Monitoring

MITRE

MITRE

Not-for-profit organization

Solve problems for a safer world

Common Weakness Enumeration



List of software security weaknesses

No ranking

Categorization

Around 700 different weaknesses

CWE-778: Insufficient logging

When a security-critical event occurs, the software either does not record the event or omits important details about the event when logging it.

CWE-223: Omission of security-relevant information

The application does not record or display information that would be important for identifying the source or nature of an attack, or determining if an action is safe.

Logging, Monitoring, and Alerting



Detective control

- Detects security violations

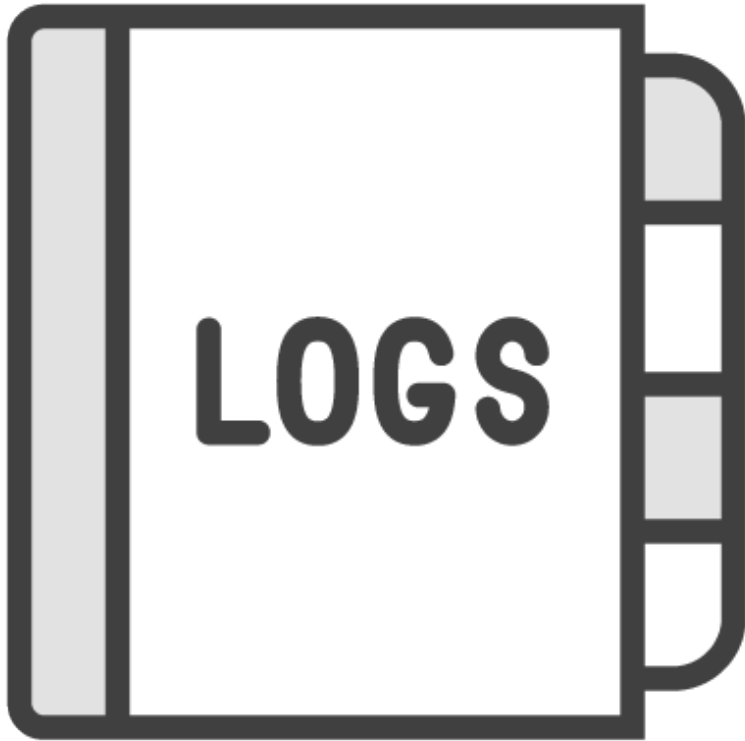
Event

- Generates log entry

Logging

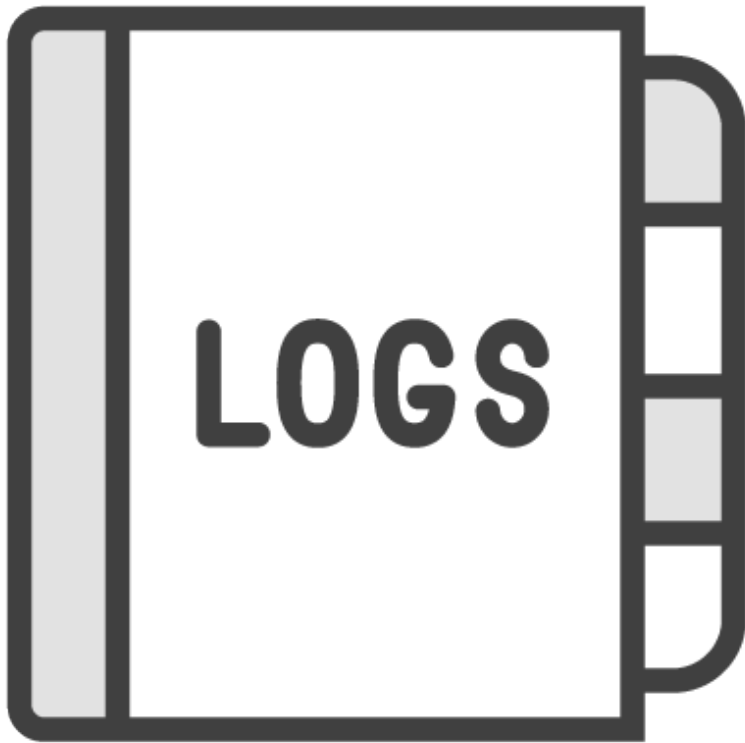
- Adding an entry to a log file

Log



A record of events that have occurred

Objective of Logging



Providing clues

- What
- When
- Where
- Who

Monitoring



Keeping an eye out on interesting events

- Dependent on what is logged

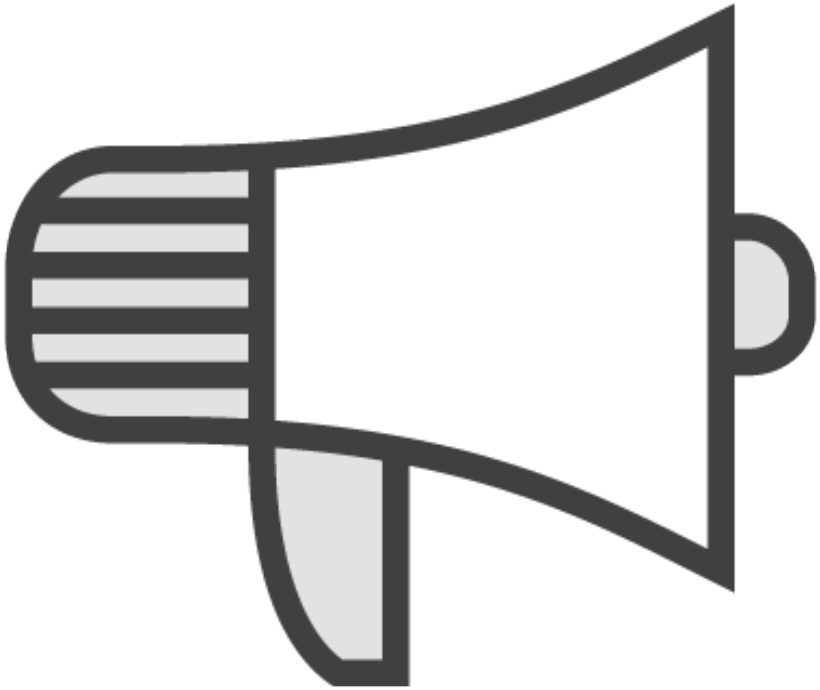
Detective control

Objective of Monitoring



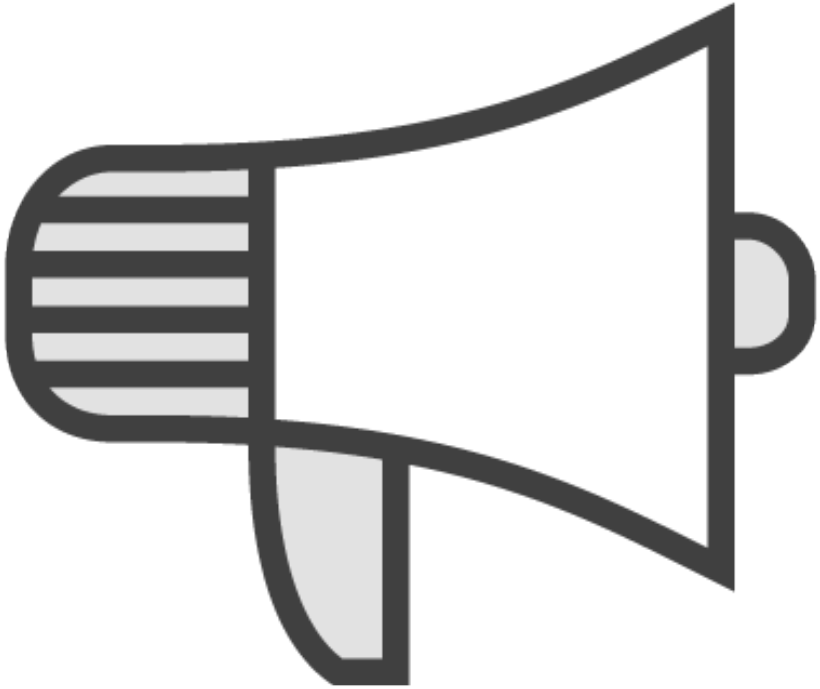
Providing timely detection

Alerting



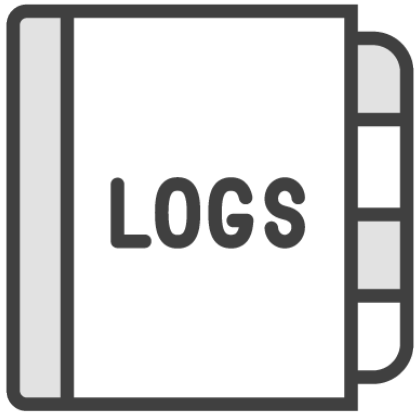
Actively informing something / someone

Objective of Alerting



Generating a timely response

Objective of Logging and Monitoring



Creating situational awareness

Summary



Visibility

Escalation prevention

Forensics

- What
- When
- Where
- Who

Situational awareness

Next Up...



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