

Gemini Prompt Engineering Notes

Prompt engineering helps improve the quality, relevance, and consistency of AI outputs. To increase the likelihood of the Gemini API to generate a similar report to the one our sponsor provided, we will be testing structured, specific prompts to control the model's randomness and prevent having to expend resources to train a model.

Gemini API Structure:

- User Inputs: Multimodal, allows prompts to include text, images, video, and audio
- System Instructions: Guide the model's behavior and provide context for the entire user interaction. We will definitely specify the output format to ensure it is saved into the database correctly.
 - Plan to test: Persona/role, output style/tone
- Configuration Parameters: Control content generation and fine-tune the model's reponse.

Data From Sponsor

Questionnaire / Organization Profile Example

Org Name	Email Domain	Website Domain	External IP	Do you require MFA to access email?	Do you require MFA to log into computers?	Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?
Valier School District	valier.k12.mt.us	www.valier.k12.mt.us	216.220.16.170	Yes	Yes	Yes

DNS DIG on Email Domain

```
id 49113
opcode QUERY
rcode NOERROR
flags QR RD RA
;QUESTION
valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY
;ANSWER
```

```
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umd.edu. dns-request.umd.edu.  
2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umd.edu.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umd.edu.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umd.edu.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx1.l.google.com.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx1.l.google.com.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx1.l.google.com.  
valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT "v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com  
include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all"  
;AUTHORITY  
;ADDITIONAL
```

DNS DIG on Email DMARC Domain

```
id 45565  
opcode QUERY  
rcode NOERROR  
flags QR RD RA  
;QUESTION  
_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY  
;ANSWER  
_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT "v=DMARC1; p=reject;  
rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us"  
;AUTHORITY  
;ADDITIONAL
```

Port Scan on Web

```
-----  
Scanning Target: 216.239.32.21  
Scanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091  
-----  
Port 80 is open  
Port 443 is open
```

Port Scan on External IP

```
-----  
Scanning Target: 216.220.16.170  
Scanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226
```

no ports open

Sample Prompt from Sponsor

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.

Example Report from Sponsor, Generated from ChatGPT

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District

Date: July 18, 2025

1. Overview

This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of Valier School District based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reflect a strong commitment to foundational cybersecurity practices across user access, email protection, network exposure, and staff awareness.

2. Organizational Information

- **Organization Name:** Valier School District
- **Email Domain:** valier.k12.mt.us
- **Website Domain:** www.valier.k12.mt.us
- **External IP (Firewall):** 216.220.16.170
- **Website Hosting IPs:** 216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.239.36.21, 216.239.38.21
- **DNS Hosting:** Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameservers)

3. Security Questionnaire Review

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	Yes
MFA for Computer Login	Yes
MFA for Sensitive Systems	Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	Yes

Summary: The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, especially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- DNS is managed by the University of Montana (cudess1.umt.edu, cudess2.umt.edu), suggesting centralized and professionally administered DNS.
- A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites hosting for web content). **MX Records (Email)**
- The district uses Google Workspace (Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple aspmx.l.google.com MX records.
- SPF record is correctly configured: v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all
 - This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders. **DMARC Record**
- A valid DMARC record exists with a **reject** policy: v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us
 - This instructs receiving servers to reject unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing. **Conclusion:** DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured correctly and follow best practices.

5. Port Scanning Results

Website Hosting (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)

- **Port 80 (HTTP):** Open
- **Port 443 (HTTPS):** Open These are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Google-hosted services.

Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)

- **All scanned ports are closed** This is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good firewall configuration. No externally exposed services were found on the organization's primary IP.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	Strong	MFA is required across key systems
Email Security	Strong	SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place
Network Exposure	Secure	No exposed services on the external firewall IP
Web Hosting	Secure	Google-hosted; limited attack surface
Policy & Training	Comprehensive	Acceptable use policies and regular training in place

7. Recommendations Although the cybersecurity readiness is solid, continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:

1. **Verify DKIM:** While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure **DKIM** is also active for all sending domains.
2. **Vulnerability Scanning:** Consider regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of network devices and servers.
3. **Incident Response Plan:** Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan.
4. **Asset Inventory:** Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardware/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes.
5. **Third-party Risk:** Evaluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security posture, especially since they're included in SPF.

8. Conclusion

Valier School District demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.

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Testing Gemini API

Gemini Models

```
In [1]: import os
import google.generativeai as genai
from dotenv import load_dotenv, find_dotenv

load_dotenv(find_dotenv())
genai.configure(api_key=os.environ["GEMINI_API_KEY"])
model = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-pro')
```

```
c:\Users\victo\anaconda3\envs\sd2\lib\site-packages\tqdm\auto.py:21: TqdmWarning: IP
rogress not found. Please update jupyter and ipywidgets. See https://ipywidgets.read
thedocs.io/en/stable/user_install.html
from .autonotebook import tqdm as notebook_tqdm
```

```
In [2]: import json
import re
import markdown

def generate_html_from_markdown(text_content):
    """
    Extracts Markdown content and converts it into a full, styled HTML string.
    This function contains all the text processing logic.
```

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Args:
    text_content (str): The raw text content.

Returns:
    str or None: The complete HTML string, or None if extraction fails.
"""
markdown_content = text_content

# 1. Content Extraction Logic
try:
    # Check for code-fenced JSON structure first
    json_match = re.search(r'```json\s*(.*?)\s*```', text_content, re.DOTALL)
    if json_match:
        json_string = json_match.group(1).strip()
        try:
            data = json.loads(json_string)
            markdown_content = data.get("text", "")
        except json.JSONDecodeError:
            print("Warning: JSON inside the code block is not valid. Treating e
            markdown_content = text_content
    else:
        # Try to Load the entire content as plain JSON
        try:
            data = json.loads(text_content)
            markdown_content = data.get("text", "")
        except json.JSONDecodeError:
            # If neither works, treat the entire input as Markdown text
            markdown_content = text_content

    if not isinstance(markdown_content, str):
        print(f"Error: Markdown content is not a string, it's a {type(markdown_
        return None

# 2. Markdown to HTML Conversion
html_output = markdown.markdown(markdown_content, extensions=['tables', 'fe

# 3. Full HTML Structure with CSS for PDF Styling (WeasyPrint needs this st
full_html = f"""
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
    <title>Markdown Export</title>
    <style>
        @page {{
            size: A4;
            margin: 1in;
            @top-center {{ content: element(header); }}
        }}
        body {{
            font-family: 'Noto Sans', sans-serif;
            line-height: 1.6;
            color: #333;
        }}
        h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6 {{ color: #1a1a1a; margin-top: 1.5em; }}

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pre {{
    background-color: #f4f4f4;
    padding: 1rem;
    border-radius: 4px;
    overflow-x: auto;
    border: 1px solid #ddd;
    font-family: monospace;
}}
code {{ font-family: monospace; }}
blockquote {{
    border-left: 5px solid #007bff;
    padding-left: 1.5rem;
    color: #555;
    margin: 1rem 0;
}}
table {{
    border-collapse: collapse;
    width: 100%;
    margin: 1.5rem 0;
}}
th, td {{
    border: 1px solid #ddd;
    padding: 10px;
    text-align: left;
}}
th {{
    background-color: #e9ecef;
    font-weight: bold;
}}
img {{ max-width: 100%; height: auto; }}
</style>
</head>
<body>
{html_output}
</body>
</html>
"""

    return full_html

except Exception as e:
    print(f"An unexpected error occurred during content generation: {e}")
    return None

```

```

In [3]: def export_html_to_files(full_html_content, html_output_filename="output.html"):
        """
        Takes the generated HTML string and performs the file export to HTML

        Args:
            full_html_content (str): The HTML content generated by generate_html_from_m
            html_output_filename (str): The path to save the intermediate HTML file.
        """
        if not full_html_content:
            print("Export failed: HTML content is empty or None.")
            return

        try:

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with open(html_output_filename, "w", encoding="utf-8") as f:
    f.write(full_html_content)
print(f"✅ Successfully exported HTML: {html_output_filename}")

except Exception as e:
    print(f"❌ An unexpected error occurred during file export: {e}")

```

```

In [4]: proModel = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-pro')
flashModel = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-flash')
flashLiteModel = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-flash-lite')

```

```

In [ ]: import json

prompt_text = 'Prompt:\nGiven this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of

context1_text = 'Context:\n'
context2_text = 'Context:\n'

example_text = 'Example:\n' + prompt_text

filepaths = ["report_template/test_questionnaire.json", "report_template/test_port_
sample1_filepaths = ["report_sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json", "report_sample1/s
sample2_filepaths = ["report_sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json", "report_sample2/s

for file in filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            example_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Example =====")
print(example_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample1_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context1_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Sample 1 =====")

```



```
print(prompt_text)
print(context1_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample2_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context2_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's"
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("===== Sample 2 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context2_text)
print("=====")
```

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Example
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Example:

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.template/test_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Valier School District",
    "Email Domain": "valier.k12.mt.us",
    "Website Domain": "www.valier.k12.mt.us",
    "External IP": "216.220.16.170",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

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template/test_port_scan_external_ip.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.220.16.170\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226\n-----\nno ports open\n"
}
```

--
template/test_port_scan_web.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.239.32.21\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open\n"
}
```

--
template/test_dns_dig_email.json:

```
{
  "text": "id 49113\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umat.edu. dns-request.umat.edu. 2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umat.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umat.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umat.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
}
```

--
template/test_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:

```
{
  "text": "id 45565\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.
```

```

valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1;
p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us\"\\n;AUTHORITY\\n;ADDITIONAL\\n"
}
--
template/test_sample_report.json:
{
  "text": "***Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District**\\n\\n**Date:*
* July 18, 2025\\n\\n**1. Overview**\\n\\nThis report evaluates the cybersecurity postur
e of Valier School District based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning)
and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reflect a strong commitment
to foundational cybersecurity practices across user access, email protection, network
exposure, and staff awareness.\\n\\n**2. Organizational Information**\\n- **Organizat
ion Name:** Valier School District\\n- **Email Domain:** valier.k12.mt.us\\n- **Websit
e Domain:** www.valier.k12.mt.us\\n- **External IP (Firewall):** 216.220.16.170\\n- **
Website Hosting IPs:** 216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.239.36.21, 216.239.38.21\\n-
**DNS Hosting:** Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameservers)\\n\\n**3. Secu
rity Questionnaire Review**\\n| Security Control | Status |\\n| :-----: | :--
--: |\\n| MFA for Email | Yes |\\n| MFA for Computer Login | Yes |\\n| MFA for Sensitiv
e Systems | Yes |\\n| Acceptable Use Policy | Yes |\\n| New Employee Security Awarenes
s Training | Yes |\\n| Annual All-Employee Security Training | Yes |\\n\\n**Summary:**
The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, espec
ially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This i
ndicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.\\n\\n**4. DNS & Em
ail Security**\\n\\n**DNS Records**\\n- DNS is managed by the University of Montana (cu
dessa1.umt.edu, cudessa2.umt.edu), suggesting centralized and professionally administe
red DNS.\\n- A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites host
ing for web content).\\n**MX Records (Email)**\\n- The district uses Google Workspace
(Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple aspmx1.google.com MX records.\\n- SPF record
is correctly configured: v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.or
g -all\\n\\n- This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders./n**DMA
RC Record**/n- A valid DMARC record exists with a **reject** policy: v=DMARC1; p=rej
ect; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us\\n\\n- This instructs receiving servers to reje
ct unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing./n**Conclusio
n:** DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured cor
rectly and follow best practices.\\n\\n**5. Port Scanning Results**\\n\\n**Website Hosti
ng (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)**\\n- **Port 80 (HTTP):** Open\\n- **Port 443 (HTTPS):**
Open\\nThese are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Googl
e-hosted services.\\n\\n**Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)**\\n- **All scanned p
orts are closed**\\nThis is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good fir
ewall configuration. No externally exposed services were found on the organization's
primary IP.\\n\\n**6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary**\\n| Category | Status | Not
es |\\n| :-----: | :-----: | :---: |\\n| Authentication Security | Strong | MFA is req
uired across key systems |\\n| Email Security | Strong | SPF and DMARC with \"reject
\" policy in place |\\n| Network Exposure | Secure | No exposed services on the exter
nal firewall IP |\\n| Web Hosting | Secure | Google-hosted; limited attack surface |
\\n| Policy & Training | Comprehensive | Acceptable use policies and regular training
in place |\\n\\n**7. Recommendations**\\nAlthough the cybersecurity readiness is solid,
continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:\\n1. **Verify DKIM*
*: While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure **DKIM** is also active for all sendin
g domains.\\n2. **Vulnerability Scanning**: Consider regular internal and external vu
lnerability assessments of network devices and servers.\\n3. **Incident Response Plan
**: Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident reponse and disaster recove
ry plan.\\n4. **Asset Inventory**: Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardwar
e/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes.\\n5. **Third-party Risk**: Ev
aluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security psture, especially since t
hey're included in SPF.\\n\\n**8. Conclusion**\\n\\nValier School District demonstrates

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a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.\n\n**Prepared by:**\n\nCyber security Assessment Team\n\n**Date:** July 18, 2025"

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===== Sample 1 =====

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.

Context:

sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json:

{

"text": {

"Organization Name": "Apex Innovations",

"Email Domain": "apexinnovations.com",

"Website Domain": "www.apexinnovations.com",

"External IP": "72.21.196.160",

"Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",

"Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",

"Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",

"Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",

"Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",

},

"Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"

}

}

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sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:

{

"text": "id 31890\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \nv=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\""

}

--

sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email.json:

{

"text": "id 52417\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\napexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN SOA ns1.apexinnovations.com. hostmaster.apexinnovations.com. 2025101401 21600 3600 604800 3600\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN A 72.21.196.160\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 10 mx1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \nv=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\""

}

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sample1/sample1_port_scan_external_ip.json:

{

"text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:09:42.589112\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"

```

}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.2
1.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:08:15.223456\n-----
-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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===== Sample 2 =====
Prompt:
Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.
Context:
sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json:
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain": "gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain": "www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP": "104.28.1.189",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "No"
  }
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 28911\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NXDOMAIN\nflags QR AA RD RA\nQUESTION\n_dmarc.gasinc.net. IN ANY\nAUTHORITY\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\nADDITIONAL"
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 47123\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\nQUESTION\ngasinc.net. IN ANY\nANSWER\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns1.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns2.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN A 104.28.1.189\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 10 mx.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\""
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.
28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:16:11.890123\n-----

```

```

-----\nPort 21 is open\nPort 22 is open\nPort 25 is open\nPort 8
0 is open\nPort 110 is open\nPort 443 is open\nPort 3389 is open"
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.
28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:15:30.456789\n-----
-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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In [6]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===

# input markdown-formatted text, output markdown
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)

```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report provides a cybersecurity readiness assessment for Apex Innovations. The evaluation is based on a review of the organization's self-reported security practices via a questionnaire, combined with technical analysis of its public-facing DNS records and network port scans. The findings indicate a strong commitment to user authentication and email security, with some areas for improvement in network perimeter hardening.

****2. Organizational Information****

- ****Organization Name:**** Apex Innovations
- ****Email Domain:**** apexinnovations.com
- ****Website Domain:**** www.apexinnovations.com
- ****External IP / Web Server:**** 72.21.196.160

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status	
:---	:---:	
MFA for Email	Yes	
MFA for Computer Login	Yes	
MFA for Sensitive Systems	Yes	
Acceptable Use Policy	Yes	
New Employee Security Awareness Training	Yes	
Annual All-Employee Security Training	Yes	

****Summary:**** Apex Innovations reports a comprehensive implementation of crucial cybersecurity policies. The mandatory use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across all key access points significantly reduces the risk of credential-based attacks. The presence of an acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training demonstrates a mature approach to managing human-related security risks.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****MX Records (Email)****

- Email is handled by `mx1.apexinnovations.com` and `mx2.apexinnovations.com`.
- The SPF record indicates the use of Microsoft's email infrastructure (`include:spf.protection.outlook.com`).

****SPF Record****

- The SPF record is correctly configured with a hard fail policy: `v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`
- This policy strictly defines authorized sending servers and helps prevent unauthorized email spoofing from the apexinnovations.com domain.

****DMARC Record****

- A strong DMARC record is in place with a ****reject**** policy: `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`
- This instructs receiving email servers to reject any messages that fail SPF or DKIM authentication, providing robust protection against phishing and domain impersonation attacks.

****Conclusion:**** The organization's email security configuration is excellent and adheres to modern best practices. The combination of SPF (hard fail) and DMARC (reject) provides a high level of defense against email-based threats.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****External IP / Web Server (72.21.196.160)****

- ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open
- ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open

The scan of the organization's primary external IP reveals open ports for web traffic. This is expected for a public-facing website. However, it indicates that the web server is directly exposed on the same IP as the primary network egress point. This configuration concentrates risk on this single asset, making its security and maintenance critical.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	Strong	Comprehensive MFA implementation is in place.
Email Security	Strong	SPF and DMARC with a "reject" policy provide excellent protection.
Network Exposure	Moderate	The web server is exposed on the primary external IP, increasing the attack surface.
Policy & Training	Strong	Policies and regular training programs are established.

****7. Recommendations****

While Apex Innovations has a solid security foundation, the following actions are recommended for continuous improvement:

- **Harden Web Server:**** Since the web server at `72.21.196.160` is a primary point of exposure, it is crucial to ensure it is aggressively hardened. This includes timely patching, secure configuration, and implementation of a Web Application Firewall (WAF).
- **Verify DKIM:**** While SPF and DMARC are properly configured, ensure that Domain Keys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also enabled and aligned for all outgoing email. This completes the trifecta of modern email authentication.
- **Implement Vulnerability Scanning:**** Conduct regular, automated vulnerability scans against the external IP (`72.21.196.160`) to proactively identify and remediate potential security flaws in the web server and its applications.
- **Develop an Incident Response Plan:**** Ensure a formal, documented Incident Response (IR) plan is in place. This plan should be tested regularly through tabletop exercises to ensure a swift and effective response to any potential security breach.
- **Review Network Segmentation:**** Consider placing the public-facing web server in a segregated network zone (DMZ) to prevent a potential compromise from impacting the internal corporate network.

****8. Conclusion****

Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong and mature cybersecurity posture in the critical areas of user authentication, email security, and employee training. Their policies effectively mitigate common and high-impact risks like phishing and account takeovers. The primary area for improvement lies in managing the network perimeter, spec

ificantly by hardening the exposed web server and considering greater network segmentation to minimize the potential impact of a compromise. By addressing the recommendations in this report, Apex Innovations can further enhance its already robust security defenses.

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In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample1_markdown_markdown.html")
```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: pro_sample1_markdown_markdown.html

```
In [8]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n"]
        print(response.text)
```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report assesses the cybersecurity posture of Apex Innovations based on DNS records, email security configurations (SPF, DMARC), external port scans, and responses to a security questionnaire. The organization demonstrates a strong foundation in several key areas, particularly in user authentication, email security, and employee awareness. Network exposure appears well-managed, with only essential web services openly accessible.

****2. Organizational Information****

- ****Organization Name:**** Apex Innovations
- ****Email Domain:**** apexinnovations.com
- ****Website Domain:**** www.apexinnovations.com
- ****External IP:**** 72.21.196.160
- ****DNS Hosting:**** Self-managed or hosted by a provider using Apex Innovations' nameservers (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com).
- ****Email Service:**** Microsoft 365 / Outlook.com (based on SPF record).

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	Yes
MFA for Computer Login	Yes
MFA for Sensitive Systems	Yes
Employee Acceptable Use Policy	Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	Yes

****Summary:**** Apex Innovations reports comprehensive implementation of foundational cybersecurity practices. The widespread use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across critical systems significantly enhances protection against unauthorized access. Furthermore, the existence of an acceptable use policy and consistent security awareness training for all employees indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to human-centric security risks.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records****

- ****Nameservers (NS):**** ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com. This suggests Apex Innovations either manages their own DNS infrastructure or uses a private label DNS hosting service.
- ****A Record:**** apexinnovations.com resolves to 72.21.196.160, which is the organization's external IP address.
- ****MX Records:**** mx1.apexinnovations.com, mx2.apexinnovations.com. While these point to the organization's own domain, the SPF record provides further clarity on the actual email service.

****SPF Record (Sender Policy Framework)****

- The SPF record is correctly configured: `"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all"`
- This indicates that Apex Innovations uses Microsoft 365 or Outlook.com for sending email.

ending emails.

- The ``all`` mechanism specifies that only the listed servers (Microsoft's) are authorized to send email on behalf of apexinnovations.com. Any email originating from other servers will be hard-failed, providing strong protection against email spoofing.

****DMARC Record (Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting, & Conformance)****

- A valid DMARC record exists with a strong policy: ``v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1``

- The ``p=reject`` policy is excellent, instructing receiving mail servers to reject messages that fail DMARC authentication (i.e., not aligned with SPF or DKIM). This provides the highest level of protection against phishing, spoofing, and business email compromise (BEC) attacks.

- The ``rua`` tag is configured to receive aggregate reports, which are crucial for monitoring email authentication status and identifying potential abuse.

****Conclusion:**** DNS and email security configurations (SPF and DMARC with a "reject" policy) are well-implemented and follow best practices, offering robust protection against email-based threats.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

The external IP address ``72.21.196.160`` (which hosts the website and is identified as the external IP/firewall) was scanned.

- ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open
- ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open

****Summary:**** Only standard web ports (HTTP and HTTPS) are open on the external-facing IP address. This is expected for a publicly accessible website. The absence of other open ports indicates a strong network perimeter, suggesting that the firewall is effectively blocking access to internal services. This minimal exposure reduces the overall attack surface significantly.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
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-----:		
Authentication Security	Strong	MFA is required across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems.
Email Security	Strong	SPF and DMARC with a "reject" policy are correctly implemented.
Network Exposure	Secure	Only ports 80/443 (for web services) are open on the external IP.
Web Presence Security	Fair	Minimal exposure but the web application itself needs continuous security validation.
Policy & Training	Strong	Acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training are in place.

****7. Recommendations****

While Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong cybersecurity posture, continuous improvement is vital. We recommend the following:

1. ****Verify DKIM Implementation:**** While SPF and DMARC are robust, ensure DomainKey

s Identified Mail (DKIM) is also properly configured and actively signing outgoing emails from Microsoft 365. This provides an additional layer of email authentication.

2. ****Regular Web Application Security Assessments:**** As ports 80 and 443 are open for the website, conduct periodic vulnerability scanning and penetration testing specifically targeting the web application itself. This will help identify and mitigate potential application-layer vulnerabilities.
3. ****Develop/Test Incident Response Plan:**** Ensure a comprehensive Incident Response Plan is documented, regularly reviewed, and tested through tabletop exercises to prepare for potential security incidents.
4. ****Continuous Firewall Rule Review:**** Periodically audit firewall rules and configurations to ensure that only absolutely necessary ports are open and that all rules are optimally configured and strictly enforced.
5. ****Consider a Web Application Firewall (WAF):**** Implementing a WAF can provide an additional layer of protection for the publicly exposed web services (ports 80/443) by filtering and monitoring HTTP traffic, helping to block common web attacks.

****8. Conclusion****

Apex Innovations has established a commendable cybersecurity readiness posture, especially in user authentication, email protection, and employee security awareness. The limited external network exposure further strengthens its defense. By addressing the recommendations for continuous monitoring and advanced application security, Apex Innovations can further enhance its resilience against evolving cyber threats.

****Prepared by:****

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample1_markdown_markdown.html")
```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash_sample1_markdown_markdown.html

```
In [10]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "
          print(response.text)
```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations based on provided DNS DIG records, port scan results for the website and firewall, and responses to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate a generally sound cybersecurity posture with strong foundational controls, particularly in user authentication and email security.

****2. Organizational Information****

- * ****Organization Name:**** Apex Innovations
- * ****Email Domain:**** apexinnovations.com
- * ****Website Domain:**** www.apexinnovations.com
- * ****External IP (Firewall):**** 72.21.196.160
- * ****Website Hosting IP:**** 72.21.196.160
- * ****DNS Hosting:**** Managed by Apex Innovations' own nameservers (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
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MFA for Email	Yes
MFA for Computer Login	Yes
MFA for Sensitive Data Systems	Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	Yes

****Summary:**** Apex Innovations reports a robust implementation of key security policies and practices. The mandatory use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across all critical access points significantly strengthens their defense against unauthorized access. The presence of an Acceptable Use Policy and comprehensive security awareness training for all employees further demonstrates a proactive approach to managing human-related security risks.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records:****

- * The DNS records for `apexinnovations.com` indicate that the organization manages its own nameservers, `ns1.apexinnovations.com` and `ns2.apexinnovations.com`.
- * The A record for `apexinnovations.com` resolves to the external IP address `72.21.196.160`, which is also identified as the firewall's external IP. This suggests the website might be hosted on or behind this directly accessible IP.
- * MX records point to `mx1.apexinnovations.com` and `mx2.apexinnovations.com`, indicating that Apex Innovations handles its own email infrastructure or uses a service that is configured under these hostnames.
- * The SPF record is configured as `v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`. This correctly leverages Microsoft 365 (Outlook.com protection) for email authentication, a strong practice for preventing email spoofing.

****DMARC Record:****

* The DMARC record for `_dmarc.apexinnovations.com` is configured with a `p=reject` policy and a report-to address: `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`.

* This is an excellent configuration. The `reject` policy instructs receiving mail servers to reject any emails claiming to be from `apexinnovations.com` that do not pass SPF or DKIM checks, providing strong protection against phishing and email spoofing. The `fo=1` tag indicates that failure reporting should occur if any authentication check (SPF or DKIM) fails.

****Conclusion:**** Apex Innovations has implemented strong email security measures with a correctly configured SPF record pointing to Microsoft 365 and a strict DMARC `reject` policy. This indicates a high level of readiness to combat email-based threats.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****Website Hosting (IP: 72.21.196.160)****

* ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open

* ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open

These are standard ports for a publicly accessible website. The presence of both indicates that the website is likely served over HTTP and HTTPS.

****Firewall / External IP (IP: 72.21.196.160)****

* ****Port 80 is open****

* ****Port 443 is open****

The port scan of the external IP (which is the same as the website hosting IP) shows that ports 80 and 443 are open. This implies that the firewall is configured to allow traffic to these ports, likely for the web server. It is important to note that no other ports were reported as open.

****Conclusion:**** The external network perimeter appears to be minimally exposed, with only essential ports for web services (HTTP/HTTPS) accessible. This suggests a well-configured firewall that limits the attack surface.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
:-----	:-----	:-----
Authentication Security	Strong	MFA mandated for email, computers, and sensitive data systems.
Email Security	Strong	SPF configured for Microsoft 365; DMARC with `reject` policy implemented.
Network Exposure	Secure	Only standard web ports (80, 443) exposed on the external IP.
Web Hosting	Moderate	Website directly accessible on the external IP. While standard ports are open, specific services running on these ports require careful configuration and patching.
Policy & Training	Strong	Acceptable Use Policy and regular security awareness training are in place for all employees.
DNS Management	Adequate	Self-managed DNS, with appropriate SPF and DMARC records.

****7. Recommendations****

While Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable cybersecurity posture, the followi

ng recommendations could further enhance its readiness:

1. ****Verify DKIM Implementation:**** The DMARC policy recommends checking both SPF and DKIM. Ensure that DKIM is also properly configured and enabled for `apexinnovations.com` to align with the `fo=1` setting in the DMARC record and maximize email authentication strength.
2. ****Web Server Hardening:**** Since ports 80 and 443 are open on the external IP, ensure that the web server software is regularly patched, configured securely (e.g., disabling unnecessary modules, implementing TLS 1.2/1.3), and that any sensitive information is not directly exposed. Consider using a Web Application Firewall (WAF) for additional protection.
3. ****Vulnerability Scanning:**** Implement regular internal and external vulnerability scanning to proactively identify and remediate potential weaknesses in network infrastructure and web applications.
4. ****Incident Response Plan:**** Develop and regularly test a comprehensive cybersecurity incident response plan to ensure a swift and effective reaction to any security breaches.
5. ****Asset Management:**** Maintain a detailed and up-to-date inventory of all hardware and software assets, including web server configurations, to facilitate better security management and incident response.

****8. Conclusion****

Apex Innovations exhibits a strong cybersecurity readiness, particularly in its implementation of multi-factor authentication, robust email security controls (SPF and DMARC), and comprehensive employee training programs. The limited exposure of its external network perimeter is also a positive indicator. By addressing the minor recommendations, particularly concerning web server hardening and proactive vulnerability management, Apex Innovations can further solidify its security posture and maintain a resilient defense against evolving cyber threats.

****Prepared by:****

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample1_markdown_markdown.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: flash_lite_sample1_markdown_markdown.html

```
In [12]: # === SAMPLE 2 ===

# input markdown-formatted text, output markdown
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)
```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report provides an assessment of the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on a security questionnaire and technical scans of the organization's public-facing digital assets. The evaluation reveals critical deficiencies across network security, email authentication, user access controls, and security policies. The organization's current posture presents a high risk of unauthorized access, data breach, and business email compromise. Immediate and comprehensive remediation efforts are strongly advised.

****2. Organizational Information****

- ****Organization Name:**** G.A.S. Inc.
- ****Email Domain:**** gasinc.net
- ****Website Domain:**** www.gasinc.net
- ****External / Website IP:**** 104.28.1.189

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

The self-reported questionnaire indicates a lack of fundamental cybersecurity policies and controls.

Security Control	Status	
:---	:---:	
MFA for Email	No	
MFA for Computer Login	No	
MFA for Sensitive Systems	Yes	
Acceptable Use Policy	No	
New Employee Security Awareness Training	No	
Annual All-Employee Security Training	No	

****Summary:**** The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer access is a critical vulnerability, making user accounts highly susceptible to compromise through phishing or password reuse. The lack of security policies and employee training creates a high-risk environment where human error is more likely to lead to a security incident.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****MX Records (Email)****

- Email is handled by `mx.mailhostbox.com` and `mx2.mailhostbox.com`.

****SPF Record****

- The SPF record is: `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`
- The `~all` (softfail) qualifier is a weak configuration. It allows unauthenticated emails to be delivered to the recipient's inbox, albeit potentially marked as spam, reducing protection against email spoofing.

****DMARC Record****

- A DNS query for the DMARC record (`_dmarc.gasinc.net`) returned `NXDOMAIN`, indicating that ****no DMARC record exists****.
- This is a critical security gap, as it leaves the `gasinc.net` domain highly vulnerable to direct domain spoofing used in sophisticated phishing and business email compromise attacks.

****Conclusion:**** The organization's email security posture is weak. The combination of a softfail SPF policy and the complete absence of DMARC provides inadequate protection against impersonation and phishing attacks.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****Firewall / External IP (104.28.1.189)****

The organization's primary external IP address, which also hosts the public website, has numerous high-risk services exposed directly to the internet.

- ****Port 21 (FTP):**** Open - Insecure protocol that transmits credentials in plaintext.
- ****Port 22 (SSH):**** Open - A primary target for automated brute-force attacks.
- ****Port 25 (SMTP):**** Open - Can be abused by attackers for spam relaying.
- ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open - Expected for a website.
- ****Port 110 (POP3):**** Open - Insecure email protocol that transmits credentials in plaintext.
- ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open - Expected for a website.
- ****Port 3389 (RDP):**** Open - A major and frequent attack vector for ransomware and unauthorized remote access.

****Conclusion:**** The network perimeter is dangerously exposed. Exposing services like RDP, SSH, and FTP directly to the internet is a severe security risk and contrary to all best practices. This configuration suggests the absence of a properly configured firewall and a high likelihood that a single compromised service could lead to a full network breach.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	Weak	Lack of MFA on email and computers creates a high risk of account takeover.
Email Security	Weak	Missing DMARC and a weak SPF record leave the organization vulnerable to spoofing.
Network Exposure	Critical	Multiple high-risk services (RDP, SSH, FTP) are exposed directly to the internet.
Policy & Training	Non-existent	No reported policies or security awareness training, leading to a high risk of human error.

****7. Recommendations****

Urgent action is required to address these critical vulnerabilities. We recommend the following, in order of priority:

1. **Immediate Network Remediation:**

- * ****Close Exposed Ports:**** Immediately close ports 21 (FTP), 22 (SSH), 110 (POP3), and especially 3389 (RDP) on your external firewall.
- * ****Implement VPN:**** If remote access is required for these services, it must be secured behind a Virtual Private Network (VPN) that requires MFA.

2. **Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA):**

- * Immediately enable MFA for all user accounts, prioritizing email, remote access (VPN), and administrative accounts.
- * Develop a plan to roll out MFA for all computer logins.

3. ****Strengthen Email Security:****

- * ****Implement DMARC:**** Create and publish a DMARC record, starting with a monitoring policy (`p=none`) and progressing quickly to a quarantine or reject policy (`p=reject`).

- * ****Strengthen SPF:**** Change the SPF record from `~all` (softfail) to `-all` (hardfail) to instruct receiving servers to reject mail from unauthorized sources.

- * ****Implement DKIM:**** Ensure DKIM is configured for your email provider to digitally sign outgoing messages.

4. ****Develop Foundational Policies and Training:****

- * ****Acceptable Use Policy (AUP):**** Create and implement an AUP for all employees.

- * ****Security Awareness Training:**** Immediately enroll all employees in a security awareness training program, with mandatory annual refreshers.

****8. Conclusion****

G.A.S. Inc. currently exhibits a very low level of cybersecurity readiness. The combination of an exposed network perimeter, weak authentication controls, inadequate email security, and a lack of security policies places the organization at an extremely high risk of a significant cyberattack. The recommendations outlined in this report should be treated as urgent priorities to mitigate these immediate threats.

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In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample2_markdown_markdown.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: pro_sample2_markdown_markdown.html

```
In [15]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n"
        print(response.text)
```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report assesses the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings indicate a significantly low level of cybersecurity readiness across multiple critical areas, presenting substantial risks to the organization's data, systems, and operations. Urgent action is required to address these vulnerabilities.

****2. Organizational Information****

- ****Organization Name:**** G.A.S. Inc.
- ****Email Domain:**** gasinc.net
- ****Website Domain:**** www.gasinc.net
- ****External IP:**** 104.28.1.189
- ****DNS Hosting:**** Self-managed (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net)
- ****Email Hosting:**** Mailhostbox.com

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	No
MFA for Computer Login	No
MFA for Sensitive Data Systems	Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	No
New Employee Security Awareness Training	No
Annual All-Employee Security Training	No

****Summary:**** The organization's self-assessment reveals a severe lack of fundamental cybersecurity controls. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) is largely absent, being only applied to sensitive data systems, leaving email and computer logins vulnerable. Furthermore, there is no employee acceptable use policy and no security awareness training for new or existing employees. This indicates a significant gap in security culture and foundational policy enforcement.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records****

- DNS is managed internally by G.A.S. Inc. (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net). While possible, this requires robust internal management and redundancy to ensure reliability and security.
- The A record for gasinc.net points to 104.28.1.189, indicating that the website is hosted on the same external IP as the primary network perimeter.

****MX Records (Email)****

- G.A.S. Inc. utilizes Mailhostbox.com for email services, as shown by the MX records: `mx.mailhostbox.com` and `mx2.mailhostbox.com`.
- ****SPF Record:**** The SPF record is configured as `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`.
 - The `~all` (softfail) policy indicates that unauthenticated emails from the domain should be treated with suspicion but not necessarily rejected. While better than no SPF, it is not as strong as a `-all` (fail) policy in preventing spoofing.

****DMARC Record****

- A DMARC record for `_dmarc.gasinc.net` does not exist (NXDOMAIN).
 - ****Critical Finding:**** The absence of a DMARC record means there is no policy to guide receiving mail servers on how to handle emails that fail SPF or DKIM authentication. This leaves the `gasinc.net` domain highly vulnerable to email spoofing, phishing, and Business Email Compromise (BEC) attacks, as malicious actors can easily send emails purporting to be from G.A.S. Inc. without detection.

****Conclusion:**** G.A.S. Inc.'s email security posture is critically weak due to the complete lack of a DMARC policy and a permissive SPF policy. This exposes the organization to significant email-based threats.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

The port scans against the external IP 104.28.1.189 (which hosts both the website and serves as the external firewall) reveal an alarmingly wide-open network perimeter.

****Open Ports on External IP (104.28.1.189)****

- ****Port 21 (FTP):**** Open - File Transfer Protocol is often insecure, transmitting credentials in plaintext, and can be exploited for unauthorized access or file manipulation.
- ****Port 22 (SSH):**** Open - Secure Shell access should ideally be restricted to trusted IPs or via VPN. Direct exposure to the internet is a common target for brute-force attacks.
- ****Port 25 (SMTP):**** Open - While email is hosted by Mailhostbox, an open SMTP port on the external IP could indicate an internal mail server, relay, or an unnecessary exposure that can be abused for spam or other attacks.
- ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open - Standard for web traffic.
- ****Port 110 (POP3):**** Open - Post Office Protocol version 3 is an insecure, unencrypted email retrieval protocol. Its external exposure is a severe vulnerability for credential theft. Modern email clients should use secure POP3S (Port 995) or IMAPS (Port 993).
- ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open - Standard for secure web traffic.
- ****Port 3389 (RDP):**** Open - Remote Desktop Protocol is a **critical** security risk when exposed directly to the internet. RDP is a frequent target for brute-force attacks and exploitation, which can lead to full system compromise.

****Conclusion:**** The exposure of multiple high-risk services (FTP, SSH, POP3, RDP, potentially SMTP) directly to the internet on the organization's primary external IP creates an extremely broad and vulnerable attack surface. This configuration dramatically increases the likelihood of unauthorized access, data breaches, and system compromise.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	Weak	MFA missing for email and computer logins; only present for sensitive systems.
Email Security	Poor	No DMARC record, and SPF is `~all` (softfail), leaving the domain highly susceptible to spoofing and phishing.
Network Exposure	Critical	Numerous high-risk services (FTP, SSH, POP3, RDP) directly exposed to the internet, creating a massive attack surface.
Web Hosting	Moderate	Website on same external IP as firewall, but 80/443 expected

ted. Other open ports on this IP are the concern. |
| Policy & Training | Non-Existent | No Acceptable Use Policy; no security awareness training for new or existing employees. |

****7. Recommendations****

Given the significant vulnerabilities identified, G.A.S. Inc. should prioritize and immediately implement the following recommendations:

1. ****Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) Broadly:****
 - * ****Urgent:**** Mandate MFA for all email accounts.
 - * ****Urgent:**** Mandate MFA for all computer logins, especially for users with administrative privileges.
2. ****Enhance Email Security:****
 - * ****Critical:**** Implement a DMARC record for `gasinc.net`. Start with a `p=quarantine` policy and move towards `p=reject` after monitoring DMARC reports to ensure legitimate emails are not affected.
 - * ****Stronger SPF:**** Consider changing the SPF policy from `~all` to `-all` once DMARC is stable and all legitimate email senders are accounted for.
 - * ****Verify DKIM:**** Ensure DKIM is properly configured for Mailhostbox.com and any other services sending email on behalf of `gasinc.net`.
3. ****Reduce Network Exposure (Firewall Hardening):****
 - * ****Critical:**** Immediately close or restrict access to ****Port 3389 (RDP)****. Remote access should only be allowed through a securely configured Virtual Private Network (VPN) with MFA.
 - * ****Critical:**** Close ****Port 110 (POP3)****. Use secure email retrieval protocols like IMAPS (Port 993) or POP3S (Port 995) if local client access is required, or encourage webmail via HTTPS.
 - * ****Urgent:**** Close ****Port 21 (FTP)****. Migrate to secure file transfer protocols like SFTP or FTPS, or utilize secure cloud-based file sharing solutions.
 - * ****Review Port 22 (SSH):**** If SSH access is necessary, restrict it to known source IP addresses, disable password authentication in favor of key-based authentication, change the default port, and ensure strong logging and monitoring. Ideally, SSH access should also be behind a VPN.
 - * ****Review Port 25 (SMTP):**** As email is handled by Mailhostbox, determine if Port 25 on the external IP is truly necessary. If not, close it. If it is for an internal server, ensure it is configured securely and only relays authorized mail.
4. ****Establish and Enforce Security Policies:****
 - * Develop and implement an ****Employee Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)**** outlining expectations for secure technology usage.
5. ****Implement Security Awareness Training:****
 - * Develop and deliver ****mandatory security awareness training**** for all new employees upon hire.
 - * Conduct ****annual mandatory security awareness training**** for all employees, covering topics like phishing, malware, password hygiene, and data handling.
6. ****Regular Vulnerability Management:****
 - * Conduct regular internal and external vulnerability assessments and penetration testing to identify and remediate weaknesses proactively.
7. ****Develop an Incident Response Plan:****
 - * Create a documented and tested incident response plan to effectively handle security breaches, minimize damage, and ensure business continuity.

****8. Conclusion****

G.A.S. Inc. currently operates with critical cybersecurity deficiencies across multiple domains, including user authentication, email security, and network perimeter de

fense. The absence of basic security policies and employee training further exacerbates these risks. Without immediate and comprehensive action to address the identified vulnerabilities, G.A.S. Inc. faces an exceptionally high risk of cyberattacks, data breaches, and operational disruption. It is imperative that the organization commits to improving its cybersecurity posture as an urgent priority.

****Prepared by:****

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample2_markdown_markdown.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: flash_sample2_markdown_markdown.html

```
In [17]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "
        print(response.text)
```

****Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.****

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on the provided DNS DIG information, port scan results for the website and firewall, and answers to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate several areas of concern and opportunities for significant improvement in the organization's security posture.

****2. Organizational Information****

- * ****Organization Name:**** G.A.S. Inc.
- * ****Email Domain:**** gasinc.net
- * ****Website Domain:**** www.gasinc.net
- * ****External IP (Firewall):**** 104.28.1.189
- * ****Website Hosting IP:**** 104.28.1.189 (also appears to be the firewall IP)

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
:-----	:-----
MFA to access email?	No
MFA to log into computers?	No
MFA to access sensitive data systems?	Yes
Employee acceptable use policy?	No
Security awareness training for new employees?	No
Security awareness training for all employees (at least once per year)?	No

****Summary:**** G.A.S. Inc. has significant gaps in fundamental security practices. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer logins, coupled with a lack of an acceptable use policy and any form of security awareness training, leaves the organization highly vulnerable to common cyber threats like phishing, credential stuffing, and social engineering. While MFA is present for sensitive data systems, its absence elsewhere is a critical weakness.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records (gasinc.net)****

- * ****SOA Record:**** Indicates DNS is managed by `dns1.gasinc.net` and `dns2.gasinc.net`.
- * ****A Record:**** `gasinc.net` resolves to IP `104.28.1.189`. This IP appears to be both the website hosting and potentially the external firewall IP.
- * ****MX Records:**** The email is handled by `mx.mailhostbox.com` and `mx2.mailhostbox.com`.
- * ****SPF Record:**** `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`. This is a basic SPF record, indicating that mail originating from `spf.mailhostbox.com` is authorized.

****DMARC Records (_dmarc.gasinc.net)****

- * ****DMARC Record:**** `NXDOMAIN` (Non-Existent Domain). This signifies that no DMARC record is published for `gasinc.net`.

****Conclusion:**** The absence of a DMARC record is a significant oversight. While SPF

is present, DMARC provides crucial instructions to receiving mail servers on how to handle emails that fail SPF (and potentially DKIM, which is not evaluated here but is also a common component). Without DMARC, the organization is more susceptible to email spoofing and phishing attacks targeting its domain.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****Website Hosting (IP: 104.28.1.189)****

* ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open
* ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open
These are standard ports for web servers and are expected for a public website.

****External IP / Firewall (IP: 104.28.1.189)****

* ****Port 21 (FTP):**** Open
* ****Port 22 (SSH):**** Open
* ****Port 25 (SMTP):**** Open
* ****Port 80 (HTTP):**** Open
* ****Port 110 (POP3):**** Open
* ****Port 443 (HTTPS):**** Open
* ****Port 3389 (RDP):**** Open

****Conclusion:**** The external firewall/IP address exposes a significant number of services to the internet. Open ports for FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, and RDP are particularly concerning. These services, if not properly secured, hardened, and monitored, can be entry points for attackers. SSH and RDP are often targeted for brute-force attacks, and unencrypted FTP and POP3 are highly insecure for transmitting sensitive information.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
:	:	:
Authentication Security	**Poor**	Critical lack of MFA for email and computer logins.
Email Security	**Fair**	SPF is present, but the absence of DMARC and DKIM (not checked) weakens protection against spoofing.
Network Exposure	**Poor**	Numerous unnecessary ports are open on the external firewall, presenting a large attack surface.
Web Hosting	**Fair**	Standard web ports (80, 443) are open, as expected.
Policy & Training	**Poor**	No acceptable use policy and no security awareness training for employees.
Sensitive Data Access	**Good**	MFA is required for sensitive data systems, which is a positive control.

****7. Recommendations****

G.A.S. Inc. has significant cybersecurity vulnerabilities that require immediate attention. The following recommendations are prioritized to improve the organization's readiness:

1. ****Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA):****
 - * ****High Priority:**** Enforce MFA for all email accounts and computer logins. This is the single most effective control against compromised credentials.
2. ****Harden Firewall and Network Exposure:****
 - * ****High Priority:**** Close all unnecessary open ports on the external firewall (Ports 21, 22, 25, 110, 3389).
 - * Restrict access to only essential services and use strong access controls (e.g., VPN for SSH/RDP access, specific IP whitelisting if possible).
 - * If FTP is still required, migrate to SFTP or FTPS and ensure strong authentication.
 - * Consider a managed firewall service if internal expertise is limited.
3. ****Implement DMARC and DKIM:****
 - * ****High Priority:**** Publish a DMARC record for `gasinc.net` with a clear policy (e.g., `p=reject` or `p=quarantine`) and a reporting address.
 - * Ensure DKIM is configured and active for all outgoing email.
4. ****Develop and Enforce an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP):****
 - * ****High Priority:**** Create a clear policy outlining acceptable and unacceptable use of company IT resources, including internet, email, and devices. Ensure employees acknowledge and adhere to it.
5. ****Conduct Regular Security Awareness Training:****
 - * ****High Priority:**** Implement a comprehensive security awareness training program for all employees, covering topics like phishing, password security, social engineering, and data handling. This training should be mandatory for new hires and conducted annually for all staff.
6. ****Review and Secure Email Services:****
 - * While using `mailhostbox.com` is noted, ensure their security practices are robust and that all email security features (like encryption options) are utilized.
7. ****Regular Vulnerability Scanning and Patch Management:****
 - * Implement a schedule for regular internal and external vulnerability scans to identify and address weaknesses.
 - * Maintain a robust patch management process for all systems and applications.

****8. Conclusion****

G.A.S. Inc. currently exhibits a low level of cybersecurity readiness. The lack of basic security controls like MFA for email and logins, a proper acceptable use policy, and employee training creates a highly vulnerable environment. The exposed network services on the external IP further exacerbate these risks. Addressing the recommendations outlined above, particularly the implementation of MFA, network hardening, and employee training, is critical to mitigating immediate threats and establishing a more secure operational foundation. Continuous monitoring and periodic security assessments will be necessary to maintain an improved security posture.

****Prepared by:****

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample2_markdown_markdown.html")
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✔ Successfully exported HTML: flash_lite_sample2_markdown_markdown.html

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In [39]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===


response = proModel.generate_content(
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                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
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                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'}},
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        'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review']
    }
)
print(response.text)
```

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{
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novations, based on a review of their self-reported security questionnaire, DNS and
email security configurations, and external port scans. The assessment reveals a str
ong commitment to security fundamentals, particularly in user authentication and ema
il protection. However, a potential misconfiguration in email records presents a not
able risk that requires attention.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain: apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain: www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External / Website IP: 72.21.196.160"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA Implementation: The organization reports mandatory Multi-Factor Authentica
tion (MFA) for email access, computer logins, and access to sensitive data systems. T
his significantly strengthens user account security.",
    "Security Policies: An employee acceptable use policy is in place.",
    "Awareness Training: Security awareness training is conducted for all new employ
ees and is repeated annually for all staff, indicating a solid foundation for human-
layer security."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "SPF Record: An SPF record exists ('v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -a
ll'). The use of '-all' (hard fail) is a security best practice. However, this recor
d authorizes Microsoft Outlook servers, which conflicts with the organization's MX r
ecords pointing to self-hosted servers (mx1/mx2.apexinnovations.com).",
    "DMARC Record: A strong DMARC policy is implemented ('v=DMARC1; p=reject; ...').
This policy instructs receiving mail servers to reject emails that fail authenticati
on checks, providing robust protection against email spoofing and phishing.",
    "MX Records: Mail Exchange (MX) records point to 'mx1.apexinnovations.com' and
'mx2.apexinnovations.com', indicating that the organization manages its own email se
rvers or uses a third party not reflected in the SPF record."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
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43 (HTTPS) as open.",
    "Website Scan (72.21.196.160): The scan confirmed that Port 80 and Port 443 are
open, which is expected for a public-facing web server.",
    "Summary: The attack surface on the scanned IP address is minimal, with only sta
ndard web traffic ports exposed. This indicates effective firewall configuration."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication Security: Strong. Comprehensive MFA deployment is a critical str
ength.",
    "Email Security: Strong, but with a notable configuration risk. The 'p=reject' D
MARC policy is excellent, but the mismatch between SPF and MX records could lead to
legitimate email delivery failures and undermines the full effectiveness of the cont
rol.",
    "Network Perimeter Security: Good. The external IP exposes only necessary servic
es, minimizing the risk of network-based attacks.",
    "Policy and Training: Strong. The organization has foundational policies and a r
ecurring training program in place."
  ],
  "Recommendations": [
    "Reconcile SPF and MX Records: Urgently investigate and correct the discrepancy
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between the SPF record (authorizing Microsoft) and the MX records (pointing to apexinnovations.com). If Microsoft 365 is the email provider, update the MX records. If email is self-hosted, update the SPF record to authorize the correct sending IP addresses.",

"Implement DKIM: Ensure that DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is configured and aligned with SPF and DMARC. DKIM provides cryptographic verification of email integrity and is a crucial component of modern email security.",

"Enforce HTTPS: Although Port 443 (HTTPS) is open, ensure that the web server is configured to automatically redirect all traffic from Port 80 (HTTP) to HTTPS. This guarantees that all user connections are encrypted.",

"Conduct Regular Vulnerability Scanning: Implement a program of regular internal and external vulnerability scanning to proactively identify and remediate security weaknesses in systems and software."

],

"Conclusion": "Apex Innovations demonstrates a mature cybersecurity posture, excelling in user authentication controls, security training, and network perimeter defense. The implementation of a restrictive DMARC policy is commendable. The most critical finding is the conflict between the organization's SPF and MX records, which poses a risk to email deliverability and security. Addressing this misconfiguration should be the top priority to solidify their otherwise robust security framework."

}

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In [41]: response = flashModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" + example_text],
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        'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review'],
    },
)
print(response.text)
```

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  "Overview": "This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations, incorporating findings from DNS records, DMARC configuration, port scans of their external IP and website, and responses from a security questionnaire. The organization demonstrates a robust foundational security posture, particularly in user authentication, email security, and employee training. Key areas of strength include widespread Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) and comprehensive email authentication protocols (SPF and DMARC with a 'reject' policy). The network perimeter shows expected openings for web services, indicating a need for continued vigilance on web application security.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain: apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain: www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External IP (Firewall & Website): 72.21.196.160",
    "DNS Hosting: Self-managed via ns1.apexinnovations.com and ns2.apexinnovations.com"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email Access: Yes",
    "MFA for Computer Login: Yes",
    "MFA for Sensitive Data Systems: Yes",
    "Employee Acceptable Use Policy: Yes",
    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: Yes",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: Yes",
    "Summary: Apex Innovations exhibits a strong commitment to fundamental cybersecurity practices, with robust implementation of Multi-Factor Authentication across critical access points and a proactive approach to security awareness training and policy development."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "DNS Records: DNS is managed by Apex Innovations' own nameservers (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com). The A record for apexinnovations.com points to 72.21.196.160, which is also the external IP, indicating direct hosting or a single point of entry.",
    "MX Records (Email): MX records (mx1.apexinnovations.com, mx2.apexinnovations.com) point to internal or dedicated email infrastructure, complemented by an SPF record indicating Office 365 as an authorized sender.",
    "SPF Record: The SPF record \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\" is correctly configured. It authorizes Microsoft Outlook (likely Office 365) to send emails on behalf of apexinnovations.com and explicitly rejects all other senders, effectively combating email spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record: A strong DMARC record \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\" is in place. The 'p=reject' policy instructs receiving mail servers to reject unauthenticated emails, providing robust protection against phishing and brand impersonation. The 'rua' tag ensures aggregate reports are sent for monitoring.",
    "Conclusion: DNS and email security configurations (SPF, DMARC with a reject policy) are excellent, providing strong protection against email-based threats."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "Website Hosting & External IP (72.21.196.160):",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open",
    "Port 443 (HTTPS): Open",
    "These ports are expected to be open for a publicly accessible website. Given that the external IP and website IP are identical, the web server is directly exposed
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at the organization's primary network perimeter. No other unexpected ports were found open on the scanned external IP, indicating a well-managed firewall configuration with services limited to essential web traffic."

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],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication Security: Strong (MFA is comprehensively implemented across email, computer logins, and sensitive systems).",
    "Email Security: Strong (Well-configured SPF and DMARC with a 'reject' policy provide robust protection against email spoofing and phishing).",
    "Network Exposure: Moderate (While only essential web ports 80/443 are open, the web server is directly exposed on the primary external IP, increasing the attack surface on this specific host).",
    "Web Hosting: Appears to be self-hosted or dedicated server hosting at the external IP, requiring Apex Innovations to manage web server security proactively.",
    "Policy & Training: Comprehensive (Acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training demonstrate a proactive approach to human-centric security).",
  ],
  "Recommendations": [
    "1. Implement a Web Application Firewall (WAF): Given the direct exposure of the web server on the external IP, deploying a WAF would provide an additional layer of defense against common web application vulnerabilities and attacks.",
    "2. Regular Vulnerability Assessments: Conduct periodic vulnerability scans and penetration testing on the public-facing web server (72.21.196.160) to identify and remediate potential security flaws.",
    "3. Verify DKIM Configuration: While SPF and DMARC are robust, ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also correctly configured for all outgoing emails via Office 365 to further enhance email authenticity and prevent tampering.",
    "4. Develop/Review Incident Response Plan: Ensure a well-documented and regularly tested incident response plan is in place to manage and mitigate the impact of potential cybersecurity incidents effectively.",
    "5. Network Segmentation: Consider internal network segmentation to isolate the web server from other critical internal systems, limiting potential lateral movement in case of a breach.",
  ],
  "Conclusion": "Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in user authentication, email protection, and employee security awareness. The proactive implementation of MFA, SPF, and a DMARC 'reject' policy positions the organization favorably against common cyber threats. While the direct exposure of the web server on the external IP presents a specific focus area, the overall perimeter security appears well-managed with minimal unnecessary open ports. Continued adherence to best practices and the implementation of the recommended enhancements will further strengthen the organization's cybersecurity posture."
}
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In [42]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" + example_text],
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                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}}
            }
        }
    })
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        'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}}},
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}
}
)
print(response.text)
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{
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  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain: apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain: www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External IP (Firewall): 72.21.196.160",
    "Website Hosting IP: 72.21.196.160",
    "DNS Hosting: Implicitly managed by the organization, with authoritative nameservers likely within their control."
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: Yes",
    "MFA for Computer Login: Yes",
    "MFA for Sensitive Systems: Yes",
    "Acceptable Use Policy: Yes",
    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: Yes",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: Yes",
    "Summary: Apex Innovations reports a comprehensive adoption of essential security practices, including mandatory Multi-Factor Authentication across critical access points and robust security awareness training programs for all employees. This demonstrates a proactive approach to user-based security risks."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "DNS Records:",
    "The apexinnovations.com domain has A, MX, NS, and TXT records.",
    "An A record points to 72.21.196.160, which is likely the web server.",
    "MX records point to mx1.apexinnovations.com and mx2.apexinnovations.com, indicating self-hosted or managed email infrastructure.",
    "The TXT record for the main domain includes an SPF record: \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\". This suggests the organization uses Microsoft 365 for email and is correctly configured to prevent email spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record:",
    "A DMARC record exists for _dmarc.apexinnovations.com: \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\".",
    "The 'p=reject' policy enforces strict email authentication, significantly reducing the risk of phishing and email impersonation.",
    "Conclusion: DNS and email security configurations, including SPF and DMARC, are robust and follow best practices, indicating strong protection against email-based threats."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "External IP Scan (72.21.196.160):",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open",
    "Port 443 (HTTPS): Open",
    "Website Scan (72.21.196.160):",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open",
    "Port 443 (HTTPS): Open",
    "Summary: The external IP address and the website hosting IP both show only ports 80 and 443 open. These are standard ports for web services (HTTP and HTTPS) and are expected for a publicly accessible website. The absence of other open ports on the external IP suggests good firewall configuration, limiting the attack surface."
  ],
}

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"Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
  "Category | Status | Notes",
  "---|---|---",
  "Authentication Security | ✅ Strong | MFA is mandated across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems.",
  "Email Security | ✅ Strong | SPF record is correctly configured (likely for Microsoft 365), and a DMARC record with a 'reject' policy is in place, providing excellent protection against spoofing and phishing.",
  "Network Exposure | ✅ Secure | Only standard web ports (80 and 443) are open on the external IP, indicating effective firewall management.",
  "Web Hosting | ✅ Secure | Ports 80 and 443 are open, as expected for a website.",
  "Policy & Training | ✅ Comprehensive | An acceptable use policy is in place, and both new and existing employees receive regular security awareness training."
],
"Recommendations": [
  "1. Regular Audits: Continue periodic reviews of DNS records, firewall rules, and security configurations to ensure ongoing compliance and identify potential drift.",
  "2. Vulnerability Management: Implement a schedule for regular vulnerability scanning of external and internal systems to proactively identify and remediate weaknesses.",
  "3. Incident Response Plan: Develop or refine an incident response plan, including testing and regular updates, to ensure preparedness for security incidents.",
  "4. Email Security Enhancement: While DMARC 'reject' is strong, monitor the DMARC reports (mailto:dmARC_reports@apexinnovations.com) to understand mail flow and potential issues.",
  "5. Asset Management: Maintain an accurate inventory of all IT assets, including software and hardware, to better manage security risks."
],
"Conclusion": "Apex Innovations demonstrates a high level of cybersecurity readiness, characterized by strong authentication controls, robust email security measures, and a well-hardened network perimeter. The organization's commitment to security awareness training and policy enforcement further strengthens its security posture. Continuous monitoring and proactive vulnerability management are recommended to maintain this effective level of defense."
}

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```

In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample1_markdown_json.html")

```

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In [43]: # === SAMPLE 2 ===


response = proModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}}
            }
        }
    }
)

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        'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {
        'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}}},
        'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'},
    },
    'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questi
}
}
)
print(response.text)
```

```

{
  "Overview": "This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on a security questionnaire and technical scans of its public-facing infrastructure. The findings reveal critical deficiencies in fundamental security controls, including user authentication, email security, network perimeter defense, and employee security awareness. The organization currently exhibits a high-risk security posture and requires immediate remediation to protect against common cyber threats.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP: 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: No - This is a critical weakness, leaving email accounts vulnerable to takeover via credential theft.",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No - The lack of MFA on workstations increases the risk of unauthorized access to the internal network.",
    "MFA for Sensitive Systems: Yes - While positive, its effectiveness is reduced by the lack of MFA on email and computers, which are common initial access vectors.",
    "Employee Acceptable Use Policy: No - The absence of a formal policy creates ambiguity regarding secure practices and employee responsibilities.",
    "Security Awareness Training: No - The organization does not conduct security awareness training for new or existing employees, leaving the workforce highly susceptible to phishing and social engineering attacks."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "SPF Record: A Sender Policy Framework (SPF) record exists ('v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all'). However, it uses a '~all' (SoftFail) qualifier, which allows unauthorized emails to be delivered to the inbox, reducing its effectiveness against spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record: The domain gasinc.net is missing a Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting, and Conformance (DMARC) record. This is a critical security gap that leaves the organization highly vulnerable to email spoofing and phishing attacks impersonating its domain.",
    "Conclusion: Email security is weak. The lack of a DMARC policy and a permissive SPF record significantly increases the risk of successful phishing attacks and brand impersonation."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "A scan of the external IP address (104.28.1.189) revealed numerous open ports, indicating multiple services are directly exposed to the internet:",
    "Port 21 (FTP): Open - Insecure file transfer protocol.",
    "Port 22 (SSH): Open - Secure Shell, a common target for brute-force attacks.",
    "Port 25 (SMTP): Open - Simple Mail Transfer Protocol, can be exploited for spam relay.",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open - Expected for web traffic.",
    "Port 110 (POP3): Open - Insecure email retrieval protocol.",
    "Port 443 (HTTPS): Open - Expected for secure web traffic.",
    "Port 3389 (RDP): Open - Remote Desktop Protocol, a primary target for ransomware attacks.",
    "Conclusion: The network perimeter is dangerously exposed. Exposing services like FTP, SSH, and RDP directly to the internet presents a severe and immediate risk of compromise."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [

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"Authentication Security: Weak - Lack of mandatory MFA for email and computer access creates a high risk of account compromise.",

"Email Security: Weak - The absence of DMARC and a permissive SPF record makes the organization highly susceptible to phishing and domain spoofing.",

"Network Exposure: Critical Risk - Multiple high-risk services (RDP, SSH, FTP) are exposed directly to the internet, creating a large and vulnerable attack surface.",

"Policy & Training: Non-Existent - The lack of basic security policies and employee training indicates a low level of security maturity and high susceptibility to human-centric attacks."

],

"Recommendations": [

"1. Immediately Implement MFA: Enforce MFA for all user access, starting with email (Office 365/Google Workspace) and computer logins.",

"2. Harden the Network Perimeter: Close all unnecessary ports on the firewall (104.28.1.189). Access to services like RDP and SSH should be restricted to a Virtual Private Network (VPN) only.",

"3. Strengthen Email Security: Implement a DMARC policy, starting with 'p=none' for monitoring and progressing to 'p=quarantine' or 'p=reject'. Change the SPF record qualifier from '~all' (SoftFail) to '-all' (HardFail).",

"4. Develop and Implement Security Policies: Create a formal Employee Acceptable Use Policy that outlines responsibilities for protecting company data and systems.",

"5. Establish Security Awareness Training: Implement a mandatory security awareness training program for all new and existing employees, conducted at least annually, with a focus on phishing identification."

],

"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. currently has a very poor cybersecurity posture with critical vulnerabilities across its network, user authentication, and email systems. The combination of exposed high-risk services, lack of MFA, and inadequate email security controls places the organization at an immediate and high risk of a significant security breach. The recommendations provided in this report should be prioritized and implemented without delay to establish a foundational level of security."

}

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In [44]: response = flashModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'},
            },
        },
        'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review', 'DNS & Email Security', 'Port Scanning Results', 'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary', 'Recommendations', 'Conclusion'],
    },
)
print(response.text)
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{
  "Overview": "This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings indicate a critically weak cybersecurity posture across multiple domains, including user authentication, email security, and network perimeter exposure. The lack of basic security policies, employee training, and the presence of numerous open and potentially insecure ports on their external IP collectively point to a high-risk environment.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP: 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: No",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No",
    "MFA for Sensitive Data Systems: Yes",
    "Acceptable Use Policy: No",
    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: No",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: No",
    "Summary: G.A.S. Inc. lacks fundamental user-centric security controls and policies. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer logins, coupled with no security awareness training and no acceptable use policy, creates a highly vulnerable internal environment. This significantly increases the risk of phishing, account compromise, and insider threats."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "MX Records: The MX records point to mx.mailhostbox.com and mx2.mailhostbox.com, indicating email services are hosted externally.",
    "SPF Record: A valid SPF record is present (v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all). This helps to prevent email spoofing by authorizing mail servers. The ~all (soft fail) policy is a reasonable starting point.",
    "DMARC Record: No DMARC record was found for _dmarc.gasinc.net. This absence leaves the organization susceptible to advanced email spoofing and phishing attacks that could impersonate their domain, leading to brand damage and potential financial losses.",
    "Summary: While an SPF record is in place to provide some protection against email spoofing, the complete absence of DMARC creates a significant gap in email security, making the organization vulnerable to sophisticated phishing and impersonation attempts."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "Scanning Target: 104.28.1.189 (External IP / Firewall)",
    "Port 21 (FTP): Open - High risk. FTP often transmits credentials in cleartext and is prone to various vulnerabilities. Direct exposure of FTP is rarely advisable.",
    "Port 22 (SSH): Open - Moderate risk. While SSH is encrypted, direct internet exposure increases the attack surface, especially without strong authentication and IP restrictions.",
    "Port 25 (SMTP): Open - Expected for mail servers, but represents a high risk if not properly secured against open relay, brute-force attacks, and unauthenticated access.",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open - Expected for public web services, but should be redirected to HTTPS.",
    "Port 110 (POP3): Open - High risk. POP3 often transmits credentials in cleartext and is an outdated protocol. Secure alternatives like POP3S (encrypted POP3) should

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be used if POP3 is necessary.",

"Port 443 (HTTPS): Open - Expected for secure public web services.",

"Port 3389 (RDP): Open - Extremely high risk. Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) is a frequent target for ransomware and brute-force attacks. Direct internet exposure of RDP is a critical security vulnerability.",

"Summary: The organization has a highly exposed external network perimeter with several critical and high-risk services directly accessible from the internet. The exposure of FTP, POP3, SSH, and especially RDP, without reported MFA for computer logins, represents a severe attack surface that could lead to unauthorized access, data breaches, and system compromise."

],

"Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [

"Authentication Security: Weak - Critical lack of MFA for email and computer logins. MFA is only applied to sensitive data systems, leaving significant attack vectors open.",

"Email Security: Moderate - An SPF record exists, but the complete absence of DMARC leaves a significant vulnerability to email spoofing and phishing.",

"Network Exposure: Very High Risk - Numerous critical services (FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, RDP) are openly exposed to the internet, creating a large attack surface.",

"Policy & Training: Very Weak - No acceptable use policy is in place, and there is no security awareness training for new or existing employees, fostering a low-security culture.",

"Overall Posture: Critically Vulnerable - The combination of weak internal controls, a highly exposed external network, and a lack of essential email security protocols creates a substantial and immediate risk to G.A.S. Inc.'s data, systems, and reputation."

],

"Recommendations": [

"Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) Broadly: Immediately implement MFA for all email accounts and computer logins to significantly enhance user account security.",

"Review and Secure Exposed Services: Conduct an urgent review of all exposed services on the external IP (104.28.1.189). Close Port 21 (FTP) and Port 110 (POP3) and migrate to secure alternatives (e.g., SFTP/SCP, IMAPS/SMTPS). Restrict access to Port 22 (SSH) and Port 3389 (RDP) to only trusted IPs via a firewall or implement a VPN for secure remote access, combined with strong, complex passphrases and MFA.",

"Implement DMARC for Email Domain: Configure a DMARC record with at least a 'quarantine' policy (p=quarantine) for gasinc.net to protect against email spoofing and phishing, gradually moving to a 'reject' policy (p=reject) after monitoring.",

"Develop and Enforce Security Policies: Immediately create and implement an employee acceptable use policy to define expected security behaviors.",

"Conduct Regular Security Awareness Training: Introduce mandatory security awareness training for all new hires and conduct annual refresher training for all employees to build a security-conscious culture.",

"Regular Vulnerability Scanning and Penetration Testing: Implement a program for regular external and internal vulnerability assessments and periodic penetration testing to proactively identify and address security weaknesses.",

"Review and Implement Principle of Least Privilege: Ensure that all users, accounts, and services are configured with the minimum necessary access and permissions required for their function."

],

"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. currently operates with a critically weak cybersecurity posture. The lack of foundational security policies, absence of employee security training, insufficient multi-factor authentication, and a highly exposed external network perimeter with several high-risk open services collectively present a significant and immediate threat landscape. Urgent and comprehensive action is required across

all identified areas to address these vulnerabilities and enhance the organization's cyber resilience to an acceptable level."

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}
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In [45]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'}},
            },
        'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review']
    }
)
print(response.text)
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{
  "Overview": "This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on provided DNS, port scanning, and security questionnaire data. The assessment reveals several critical areas of concern, particularly regarding basic security controls and network exposure.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP: 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: No - Significant risk of account compromise.",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No - Poses a risk to endpoint security.",
    "MFA for Sensitive Data Systems: Yes - Positive control, but lack of MFA for email/computers is a major weakness.",
    "Acceptable Use Policy: No - Lacks foundational policy for user conduct and security.",
    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: No - Increases risk of initial security oversights.",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: No - Employees are not kept up-to-date on current threats and best practices."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "Email Domain (gasinc.net):",
    "MX Records: mx.mailhostbox.com, mx2.mailhostbox.com - Indicates use of a third-party email provider.",
    "SPF Record: \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\" - This record is present and correctly configured to authorize mailhostbox.com as a sender, which is good.",
    "DMARC Record: NXDOMAIN (Non-Existent Domain) for _dmarc.gasinc.net - This is a critical deficiency. The absence of a DMARC record leaves the domain vulnerable to email spoofing and phishing attacks."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "External IP Scan (104.28.1.189):",
    "Open Ports: 21 (FTP), 22 (SSH), 25 (SMTP), 80 (HTTP), 110 (POP3), 443 (HTTPS), 3389 (RDP).",
    "Analysis: The exposure of numerous services, including FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, and RDP, directly to the internet is a significant security risk. These services, if not properly secured and monitored, can be entry points for attackers.",
    "Website Scan (104.28.1.189):",
    "Open Ports: 80 (HTTP), 443 (HTTPS) - Standard for web servers.",
    "Analysis: While expected, the overall exposure of the external IP needs to be considered in conjunction with the web ports."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication Security: Low - Lack of MFA for email and computer logins is a critical vulnerability.",
    "Email Security: Low - Absence of DMARC record makes the domain highly susceptible to spoofing.",
    "Network Exposure: High Risk - Numerous unnecessary ports open on the external IP.",
    "Policy & Training: Low - Absence of an acceptable use policy and security awareness training for all employees.",
    "Overall Readiness: Low - Multiple foundational security controls are missing or
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inadequately implemented."
],
"Recommendations": [
    "Implement MFA immediately for email access and computer logins.",
    "Implement a DMARC record for the gasinc.net domain with a reject or quarantine policy.",
    "Review and close all unnecessary open ports on the external IP address (104.28.1.189). Specifically, ports 21, 22, 25, 110, and 3389 should not be directly exposed if not absolutely required and secured.",
    "Develop and implement an Acceptable Use Policy for all employees.",
    "Establish and conduct regular security awareness training for all employees, including new hires and annual refreshers.",
    "Consider disabling or restricting access to non-essential services like FTP (port 21) and RDP (port 3389) from the public internet.",
    "If FTP or SSH must be exposed, ensure they are secured with strong credentials and potentially through a VPN or bastion host."
],
"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. currently presents a low cybersecurity readiness posture. The lack of multi-factor authentication for critical systems like email and computers, the absence of a DMARC record, and the extensive exposure of network services present significant risks. Immediate implementation of the recommended security controls is crucial to mitigate these vulnerabilities and improve the organization's overall security."
}

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In [4]: from pypdf import PdfReader

def extract_text_from_pdf(pdf_path):
    text = ""
    try:
        reader = PdfReader(pdf_path)
        for page in reader.pages:
            text += page.extract_text() + "\n"
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Error reading PDF: {e}")
        return None
    return text

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In [ ]: prompt_text = 'Prompt:\nGiven this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of

context1_text = 'Context:\n'
context2_text = 'Context:\n'
example_text = 'Example:\n' + prompt_text

filepaths = ["report_template/test_questionnaire.json", "report_template/test_port_
pdfFile = "report_template/test_report.pdf"

sample1_filepaths = ["report_sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json", "report_sample1/s
sample2_filepaths = ["report_sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json", "report_sample2/s

for file in filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            example_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

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except FileNotFoundError:
    f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
except json.JSONDecodeError:
    f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
except Exception as e:
    f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

example_text += extract_text_from_pdf(pdfFile)

print("==== Example =====")
print(example_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample1_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context1_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Sample 1 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context1_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample2_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context2_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Sample 2 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context2_text)
print("=====")

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===== Example =====

Example:

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.template/test_questionnaire.json:

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{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Valier School District",
    "Email Domain": "valier.k12.mt.us",
    "Website Domain": "www.valier.k12.mt.us",
    "External IP": "216.220.16.170",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

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--
template/test_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.220.16.170\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226\n-----\nno ports open\n"
```

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--
template/test_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.239.32.21\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open\n"
```

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--
template/test_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 49113\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umd.edu. dns-request.umd.edu. 2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
```

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--
template/test_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 45565\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.
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valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1;
p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us\"\\n;AUTHORITY\\n;ADDITIONAL\\n\"
}
--
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Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District Date: July 18, 2025

1. Overview

This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of Valier School District based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reflect a strong commitment to foundational cybersecurity practices across user access, email protection, network exposure, and staff awareness.

2. Organizational Information

- Organization Name: Valier School District
- Email Domain: valier.k12.mt.us
- Website Domain: www.valier.k12.mt.us
- External IP (Firewall): 216.220.16.170
- Website Hosting IPs: 216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.239.36.21, 216.239.38.21
- DNS Hosting: Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameservers)

3. Security Questionnaire Review Security Control Status

MFA for Email ☒ Yes

MFA for Computer Login ☒ Yes

MFA for Sensitive Systems ☒ Yes

Acceptable Use Policy ☒ Yes

New Employee Security Awareness Training ☒ Yes

Annual All-Employee Security Training ☒ Yes

Summary: The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, especially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- DNS is managed by the University of Montana (cudess1.umt.edu, cudess2.umt.edu), suggesting centralized and professionally administered DNS.
- A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites hosting for web content).

MX Records (Email)

- The district uses Google Workspace (Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple aspmx.l.google.com MX records.
- SPF record is correctly configured: v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders.

DMARC Record

- A valid DMARC record exists with a reject policy: v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us This instructs receiving servers to reject unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing.

Conclusion: DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured correctly and follow best practices.

5. Port Scanning Results

Website Hosting (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)

- Port 80 (HTTP): Open
- Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

These are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Google-hosted services.

Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)

- All scanned ports are closed This is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good firewall configuration. No externally exposed services.

es were found on the organization's primary IP.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary Category Status Notes

Authentication Security ☒ Strong MFA is required across key systems

Email Security ☒ Strong SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place

Network Exposure ☒ Secure No exposed services on the external firewall IP

Web Hosting ☒ Secure Google-hosted; limited attack surface

Policy & Training ☒ Comprehensive Acceptable use policies and regular training in place

7. Recommendations

Although the cybersecurity readiness is solid, continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:

1. Verify DKIM : While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure DKIM is also active for all sending domains. 2. Vulnerability Scanning : Consider regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of network devices and servers. 3. Incident Response Plan : Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan. 4. Asset Inventory : Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardware/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes. 5. Third-party Risk : Evaluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security posture, especially since they're included in SPF.

8. Conclusion

Valier School District demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.

Prepared by: Cybersecurity Assessment Team Date: July 18, 2025

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===== Sample 1 =====

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.

Context:

sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json:

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{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain": "apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain": "www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External IP": "72.21.196.160",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

```

}
--
sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 31890\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\""
}
--
sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 52417\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\napexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN SOA ns1.apexinnovations.com. hostmaster.apexinnovations.com. 2025101401 21600 3600 604800 3600\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN A 72.21.196.160\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 10 mx1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\""
}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:09:42.589112\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:08:15.223456\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
--

```

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===== Sample 2 =====

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Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization.

Context:

sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json:

```

{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain": "gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain": "www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP": "104.28.1.189",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "No",
  }
}

```

```

    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "No"
  }
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 28911\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NXDOMAIN\nflags QR AA RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.gasinc.net. IN ANY\n;AUTHORITY\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\n;ADDITIONAL"
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 47123\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\ngasinc.net. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns1.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns2.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN A 104.28.1.189\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 10 mx.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\""
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:16:11.890123\n-----\n\nPort 21 is open\nPort 22 is open\nPort 25 is open\nPort 80 is open\nPort 110 is open\nPort 443 is open\nPort 3389 is open"
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:15:30.456789\n-----\n\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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In [23]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===

# input PDF, output markdown
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)

```

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations
Date: October 14, 2025

****1. Overview****

This report provides an evaluation of the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations, based on a combination of a self-reported security questionnaire and external technical scans, including DNS analysis and port scanning. The findings indicate a strong commitment to identity management, employee awareness, and email security. However, the network architecture, which exposes web services on the primary external IP address, presents a notable area for improvement and a potential risk to the organization.

****2. Organizational Information****

- * ****Organization Name:** Apex Innovations**
- * ****Email Domain:** apexinnovations.com**
- * ****Website Domain:** www.apexinnovations.com**
- * ****External / Website IP:** 72.21.196.160 (Note: The primary external IP and the web server IP are the same)**

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	✓ Yes
MFA for Computer Login	✓ Yes
MFA for Sensitive Systems	✓ Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	✓ Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	✓ Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	✓ Yes

****Summary:** Apex Innovations reports a strong internal security culture. The mandatory use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across all key access points significantly reduces the risk of credential-based attacks. This is complemented by a solid foundation of employee policies and regular security awareness training.**

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records****

- * DNS is managed on self-hosted nameservers (`ns1.apexinnovations.com`, `ns2.apexinnovations.com`), indicating direct control over their DNS infrastructure.

****MX Records (Email)****

- * The organization uses Microsoft 365 for its email services, as indicated by the SPF record pointing to `spf.protection.outlook.com`.
- * The SPF record is correctly configured with a `-all` (hard fail) mechanism, which helps prevent unauthorized servers from sending email on behalf of their domain:
`v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`

****DMARC Record****

- * A strong DMARC policy is in place, instructing receiving mail servers to ****reject**** emails that fail authentication checks. This provides excellent protection against direct domain spoofing and phishing attacks.
`v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`

****Conclusion:**** The organization's email security configuration is robust and adheres to modern best practices. The combination of SPF and a DMARC "reject" policy is a significant strength.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****External Firewall / Website IP (72.21.196.160)****

- * ****Port 80 (HTTP): Open****
- * ****Port 443 (HTTPS): Open****

The port scan reveals that the primary external IP address for the organization is also hosting the public-facing website. While these ports are necessary for web traffic, exposing them directly on the main corporate firewall IP increases the network's attack surface. Any vulnerability in the web server, its applications, or its configuration could potentially provide a pivot point into the internal network.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	✓ Strong	Comprehensive MFA implementation across all critical systems.
Email Security	✓ Strong	SPF and DMARC with a "reject" policy are correctly configured.
Network Exposure	⚠ Moderate	The public website is exposed on the primary external firewall IP, creating a direct attack vector that should be isolated.
Web Hosting	⚠ Moderate	Hosting the website on the primary network perimeter places the burden of security (patching, hardening) entirely on the organization.
Policy & Training	✓ Comprehensive	All foundational policies and training programs are in place.

****7. Recommendations****

While Apex Innovations has many strong security controls, the following recommendations are made to address the identified risks and further mature its cybersecurity posture:

- **Network Segmentation:**** The highest priority should be to isolate the web server from the internal corporate network. This can be achieved by:
 - * Placing the web server in a segregated network zone (a DMZ).
 - * Migrating the website to a reputable third-party cloud hosting provider.This will ensure that a compromise of the web server does not lead to an immediate compromise of internal systems.
- **Web Application Security:**** Given its direct exposure, the web server requires heightened security. Implement a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to protect against common web-based attacks and conduct regular vulnerability scans of the web application and server.
- **Verify DKIM Implementation:**** While SPF and DMARC are in place, ensure that DKIM (DomainKeys Identified Mail) is also configured for Microsoft 365 to complete the trifecta of email authentication standards.
- **Develop an Incident Response Plan:**** Formalize, document, and test an incident response plan to ensure the organization can respond effectively and efficiently in the event of a security breach.

****8. Conclusion****

Apex Innovations demonstrates a very strong cybersecurity foundation in terms of policy, user authentication, and email security. These proactive measures significantly reduce risk from phishing and credential theft. The primary area of concern is the network architecture, where the public-facing website is co-located with the main network perimeter. By implementing the recommendation to segment the web server, Apex Innovations can substantially reduce its attack surface and elevate its overall security posture from strong to excellent.

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In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample1_pdf_markdown.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: pro_sample1_pdf_markdown.html

```
In [25]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n"]
        print(response.text)
```

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations

Date: October 14, 2025

1. Overview

This report assesses the cybersecurity posture of Apex Innovations based on information gathered from DNS records (DIG), port scans of the external IP and website, and responses to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate a robust commitment to essential cybersecurity practices, particularly in user access controls, email security, and staff awareness. The organization appears to directly host its website on its external-facing IP address.

2. Organizational Information

- * **Organization Name:** Apex Innovations
- * **Email Domain:** apexinnovations.com
- * **Website Domain:** www.apexinnovations.com
- * **External IP / Website IP:** 72.21.196.160
- * **DNS Hosting:** Self-managed (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)

3. Security Questionnaire Review

Apex Innovations reports a strong adherence to foundational cybersecurity policies and controls:

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	✓ Yes
MFA for Computer Login	✓ Yes
MFA for Sensitive Data Systems	✓ Yes
Employee Acceptable Use Policy	✓ Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	✓ Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	✓ Yes

Summary: The organization has fully implemented critical security measures concerning multi-factor authentication (MFA) across key access points, established an acceptable use policy, and conducts regular security awareness training for all employees. This demonstrates a proactive and policy-driven approach to reducing insider threats and unauthorized access.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- * DNS is managed internally by Apex Innovations (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com), suggesting direct control over DNS infrastructure.
- * The primary A record for apexinnovations.com points to 72.21.196.160, indicating the main website and external services are hosted on this IP.

MX Records (Email)

- * Email is configured to use internal mail exchange servers (mx1.apexinnovations.com, mx2.apexinnovations.com).
- * **SPF Record:** `v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`
 - * The SPF record is correctly configured, including Microsoft Outlook's SPF for legitimate email sending. The `-all` mechanism specifies a "hard fail" policy, instructing receiving mail servers to reject mail from unauthorized senders, providing strong protection against email spoofing.

DMARC Record

* **DMARC Record:** `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmARC_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`

* A valid DMARC record is present with a `p=reject` policy. This is the strongest DMARC policy, directing receiving servers to reject emails that fail DMARC authentication. This significantly mitigates risks from phishing and impersonation attacks. Email reports are configured to be sent to `dmARC_reports@apexinnovations.com`.

Conclusion: DNS and email security configurations (SPF with hard fail and DMARC with a reject policy) are exceptionally strong and follow best practices, significantly reducing the risk of email-based attacks like spoofing and phishing.

5. Port Scanning Results

Website & External IP (72.21.196.160)

* **Port 80 (HTTP):** Open
* **Port 443 (HTTPS):** Open

Summary: Both the "Website Scan" and "External IP Scan" targeted the same IP address (72.21.196.160), indicating that the organization's public website is hosted directly on its external IP, likely behind a firewall that only permits HTTP and HTTPS traffic. The open ports 80 and 443 are standard and expected for a publicly accessible web server. No other ports were found open, which is positive for minimizing the attack surface.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category	Status	Notes

Authentication Security	Strong	MFA is a mandatory requirement across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems, providing robust protection against credential theft.
Email Security	Strong	Comprehensive SPF (`-all`) and DMARC (`p=reject`) policies are in place, significantly reducing the threat of email spoofing and phishing, and directing unauthenticated emails to be rejected. Reporting is also configured.
Network Exposure	Secure	The external IP (72.21.196.160) only exposes necessary web ports (80, 443). This indicates a well-configured perimeter firewall minimizing the external attack surface.
Web Hosting	Good	The website is hosted on the external IP, with only standard web ports open. While this consolidates the external presence, it means the web server is directly exposed and requires vigilant patching and security monitoring.
Policy & Training	Comprehensive	An acceptable use policy is established, and security awareness training is conducted for both new hires and annually for all employees, fostering a security-conscious culture.

7. Recommendations

Apex Innovations exhibits a commendable cybersecurity readiness posture. To further enhance and maintain this strong position, the following recommendations are suggested:

ed:

1. ****Implement DKIM:**** While SPF and DMARC are robust, ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also properly configured for all outgoing email to provide an additional layer of email authentication and trust.
2. ****Regular Vulnerability Management:**** Given the direct exposure of the web server on the external IP, implement regular external and internal vulnerability scanning of this server and underlying infrastructure. Establish a rigorous patch management program for all software, operating systems, and web applications running on this server.
3. ****Incident Response Plan:**** Develop, document, and regularly test a comprehensive cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan. This ensures the organization can effectively detect, respond to, and recover from security incidents.
4. ****Security Information and Event Management (SIEM):**** Consider implementing a SIEM solution to centralize log collection, monitor security events in real-time, and facilitate threat detection and analysis, particularly for the externally exposed web server.
5. ****Web Application Firewall (WAF):**** To protect the public-facing website more effectively, consider deploying a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to defend against common web-based attacks (e.g., SQL injection, cross-site scripting).

****8. Conclusion****

Apex Innovations has established a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in user authentication, email protection, network perimeter security, and employee security awareness. The organization's proactive measures significantly reduce its overall cyber risk. By adopting the recommended continuous improvement strategies, Apex Innovations can further strengthen its defenses and ensure long-term resilience against evolving cyber threats.

****Prepared by:**** Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample1_pdf_markdown.html")
```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash_sample1_pdf_markdown.html

```
In [27]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "
        print(response.text)
```

****1. Overview****

This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations based on provided DNS information, port scan results for the website and firewall, and responses to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate a generally strong security posture with robust practices in place for authentication and email security, coupled with a well-hardened external network perimeter.

****2. Organizational Information****

* ****Organization Name:**** Apex Innovations
* ****Email Domain:**** apexinnovations.com
* ****Website Domain:**** www.apexinnovations.com
* ****External IP (Firewall):**** 72.21.196.160
* ****Website Hosting IP:**** 72.21.196.160 (as indicated by the A record for the domain)
* ****DNS Hosting:**** Managed internally (indicated by `ns1.apexinnovations.com` and `ns2.apexinnovations.com` as name servers).

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
:-----	:-----
MFA for Email	✓ Yes
MFA for Computer Login	✓ Yes
MFA for Sensitive Data Systems	✓ Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	✓ Yes
New Employee Security Awareness Training	✓ Yes
Annual All-Employee Security Training	✓ Yes

****Summary:**** Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong commitment to foundational cyber security practices. The mandatory implementation of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems is a significant strength. Furthermore, the existence of an acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training for all employees, including new hires, indicates a proactive approach to mitigating human-factor risks.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

****DNS Records:****

* The DNS records for `apexinnovations.com` show both NS (Name Server) records pointing to `ns1.apexinnovations.com` and `ns2.apexinnovations.com`, suggesting the organization manages its own DNS infrastructure.
* An A record points to `72.21.196.160`, which is consistent with the external IP address scanned and identified as the firewall.
* MX records indicate that email is handled by Microsoft 365 (`spf.protection.outlook.com`).

****SPF Record:****

* The SPF record is correctly configured as: `v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`. This record properly authorizes Microsoft 365 servers to send email on behalf of `apexinnovations.com`, helping to prevent email spoofing.

****DMARC Record:****

* A DMARC record is present with a `reject` policy: `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`.

* The `p=reject` policy is strong, instructing receiving mail servers to reject emails that fail DMARC authentication.

* The `rua` tag indicates that aggregate reports will be sent to `dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com`, which is crucial for monitoring email authentication and identifying potential spoofing attempts.

* The `fo=1` flag requests failure reporting for all checking, providing detailed information on authentication failures.

****Conclusion:**** Apex Innovations has implemented robust email security measures through correctly configured SPF and DMARC records with a strict reject policy. The active use of DMARC reporting is a key indicator of diligent security monitoring.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

****Website Hosting (IP: 72.21.196.160):****

* Port 80 (HTTP): Open

* Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

These are standard ports for a publicly accessible website and are expected. The presence of both indicates the website is accessible via both unencrypted and encrypted connections.

****Firewall / External IP (72.21.196.160):****

* The port scan of the external IP address did not report any open ports.

****Conclusion:**** The external IP address serving as the firewall appears to be well-hardened, with no open ports detected. This indicates a strong network perimeter and effective firewall configuration, significantly reducing the attack surface exposed to the internet.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
:----- :----- :-----		
Authentication Security	✅ Strong	Mandatory MFA across all critical access points.
Email Security	✅ Strong	Properly configured SPF and DMARC with a strict `reject` policy and active reporting.
Network Exposure	✅ Secure	No open ports detected on the external firewall IP, indicating a well-hardened perimeter.
Web Hosting	✅ Sound	Standard ports (80, 443) are open, as expected for a website.
Policy & Training	✅ Comprehensive	Acceptable use policies and regular security awareness training for all employees.

****7. Recommendations****

Apex Innovations has demonstrated a strong cybersecurity posture. To further enhance readiness, the following recommendations are made:

1. ****Verify DKIM:**** While SPF and DMARC are in place, ensure that DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) signing is also implemented and configured correctly for outgoing email.

mails. DKIM adds another layer of email authentication and strengthens protection against spoofing.

2. **Regular Vulnerability Scanning:** Conduct regular, scheduled vulnerability scans (both internal and external) of the network infrastructure and web servers. This proactive measure helps identify and address potential weaknesses before they can be exploited.

3. **Incident Response Plan Review:** Ensure that a comprehensive incident response plan is documented, regularly reviewed, and tested. This plan should outline procedures for responding to various security incidents, including data breaches and system compromise.

4. **Web Application Firewall (WAF):** Given that the website is accessible via ports 80 and 443, consider implementing a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to provide an additional layer of protection against common web-based attacks such as SQL injection and cross-site scripting (XSS).

5. **Log Monitoring and Analysis:** Implement robust log monitoring and analysis solutions for critical systems and network devices. This will aid in the early detection of suspicious activities and facilitate faster incident response.

8. Conclusion

Apex Innovations exhibits a high level of cybersecurity readiness. The organization has successfully implemented strong controls around user authentication, email security, and network perimeter defense. The commitment to employee training and policy enforcement further solidifies its security posture. By considering the additional recommendations, Apex Innovations can continue to mature its cybersecurity program and maintain a robust defense against evolving threats.

Prepared by:

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

Date: October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample1_pdf_markdown.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: flash_lite_sample1_pdf_markdown.html

```
In [29]: # === SAMPLE 2 ===

# input PDF, output markdown
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)
```


****1. Overview****

This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on a security questionnaire and external technical scans. The findings reveal critical vulnerabilities in network security, email configuration, user authentication, and organizational policy. The organization currently has a very weak security posture and is at high risk of a cyberattack, including ransomware, data breach, and business email compromise. Immediate and decisive action is required to mitigate these risks.

****2. Organizational Information****

- ****Organization Name:** G.A.S. Inc.**
- ****Email Domain:** gasinc.net**
- ****Website Domain:** www.gasinc.net**
- ****External IP Address:** 104.28.1.189**

****3. Security Questionnaire Review****

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	**No**
MFA for Computer Login	**No**
MFA for Sensitive Systems	Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	**No**
New Employee Security Awareness Training	**No**
Annual All-Employee Security Training	**No**

****Summary:**** The questionnaire reveals a significant lack of foundational security controls. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer access exposes the organization to account takeovers from simple password compromises. The lack of security policies and employee training indicates a low level of security maturity, making staff highly susceptible to social engineering and phishing attacks.

****4. DNS & Email Security****

* ****SPF Record:**** An SPF record exists (`v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`). However, it uses a soft-fail (`~all`) policy, which only marks unauthorized emails as suspicious rather than blocking them. This provides weak protection against email spoofing.

* ****DMARC Record:**** A DMARC record for `_dmarc.gasinc.net` is ****missing**** (`rcode NXDOMAIN`). Without DMARC, the organization has no ability to instruct receiving email servers on how to handle fraudulent emails sent on its behalf and has no visibility into spoofing campaigns targeting its domain.

****Conclusion:**** Email security is poor. The combination of a weak SPF policy and the complete absence of DMARC leaves G.A.S. Inc. highly vulnerable to phishing, business email compromise, and brand impersonation attacks.

****5. Port Scanning Results****

A port scan of the external IP address (104.28.1.189) revealed multiple high-risk services exposed directly to the internet.

- * ****Port 21 (FTP): Open**** - Insecure, unencrypted protocol.
- * ****Port 22 (SSH): Open**** - Potential access point for attackers.

* ****Port 25 (SMTP): Open**** - Potentially an open mail relay, a target for spammer S.

* ****Port 80 (HTTP): Open**** - Standard for web traffic.





* ****Port 110 (POP3): Open**** - Insecure, unencrypted email protocol.

* ****Port 443 (HTTPS): Open**** - Standard for secure web traffic.

* ****Port 3389 (RDP): Open**** - ****CRITICAL RISK.**** Exposing Remote Desktop Protocol to the internet is a primary vector for ransomware attacks.

****Conclusion:**** The network perimeter is dangerously misconfigured. Exposing services like RDP, FTP, and POP3 directly to the internet creates an extremely large and vulnerable attack surface.

****6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary****

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication Security	 **Poor**	Lack of MFA on email and computers is a major weakness.
Email Security	 **Poor**	Weak SPF and no DMARC record leave the organization open to spoofing.
Network Exposure	 **Critical**	RDP and other insecure ports are directly exposed to the internet.
Policy & Training	 **Non-Existent**	No policies or training programs in place, elevating human risk.

****7. Recommendations****

The following actions should be taken to address the identified vulnerabilities, prioritized by risk.

****Immediate (Critical Priority):****

- **Close Port 3389 (RDP):**** Immediately place the RDP service behind a Virtual Private Network (VPN) with MFA. Do not leave it exposed to the public internet.
- **Close Insecure Ports:**** Close ports 21 (FTP) and 110 (POP3) on the firewall. Use secure, encrypted alternatives like SFTP or IMAPS/POP3S, accessible only via VPN.
- **Restrict Access to Other Ports:**** Review the business need for public access to Port 22 (SSH) and Port 25 (SMTP). If required, restrict access to a whitelist of known, trusted IP addresses.

****High Priority:****

- **Enforce MFA:**** Immediately implement and require MFA for all user accounts, especially for email access (e.g., Office 365, Google Workspace) and computer logins.
- **Implement DMARC:**** Create a DMARC record with a starting policy of `p=none` to begin monitoring, with the goal of moving to `p=quarantine` and ultimately `p=reject`.
- **Strengthen SPF:**** Change the SPF record from a soft-fail (`~all`) to a hard-fail (`-all`) to instruct receiving servers to reject mail from unauthorized sources.

****Medium Priority:****

- **Develop Policies:**** Establish and distribute a formal Employee Acceptable Use Policy.
- **Implement Security Training:**** Institute a mandatory security awareness training program for all new hires and conduct annual refresher training for all employees.

****8. Conclusion****

G.A.S. Inc. is currently operating with a critically low level of cybersecurity read

iness. The combination of an insecure network perimeter, weak email protections, and a lack of fundamental user security controls and policies places the organization at an imminent risk of a significant security breach. The recommendations outlined in this report, particularly the immediate closure of exposed RDP and other insecure ports, must be addressed urgently to protect the organization's data, finances, and reputation.

****Prepared by:****

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

October 14, 2025

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In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample2_pdf_markdown.html")
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✓ Successfully exported HTML: pro_sample2_pdf_markdown.html

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In [31]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n"]
        print(response.text)
```

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.

Date: October 14, 2025

1. Overview

This report provides an assessment of the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on a review of technical information (DNS records, DMARC status, and external port scans) and self-reported answers to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate significant vulnerabilities and a low level of cybersecurity readiness across several critical areas, necessitating immediate attention and remediation.

2. Organizational Information

- * **Organization Name:** G.A.S. Inc.
- * **Email Domain:** gasinc.net
- * **Website Domain:** www.gasinc.net
- * **External IP:** 104.28.1.189
- * **DNS Hosting:** Self-managed (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net)
- * **Email Hosting:** Mailhostbox (mx.mailhostbox.com)

3. Security Questionnaire Review

The security questionnaire reveals critical gaps in foundational security practices within G.A.S. Inc.

Security Control	Status	Notes
MFA for Email	✗ No	**Critical Weakness:** Lack of MFA for email significantly increases phishing risk.
MFA for Computer Login	✗ No	**Critical Weakness:** Lack of MFA for computer access increases risk of unauthorized access.
MFA for Sensitive Systems	✓ Yes	**Strength:** MFA is required for sensitive data systems.
Employee Acceptable Use Policy	✗ No	**Weakness:** Absence of a policy leaves the organization vulnerable to misuse and lacks clear guidelines.
New Employee Security Awareness Training	✗ No	**Weakness:** New hires are not onboarded with essential security knowledge.
Annual All-Employee Security Training	✗ No	**Weakness:** Employees lack regular reinforcement of security best practices.

Summary: G.A.S. Inc. demonstrates a significant lack of essential security controls related to user authentication, employee behavior policies, and security awareness training. The only reported strength is the use of MFA for sensitive data systems, which is positive but insufficient given the other deficiencies.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- * The organization's DNS is managed by what appear to be internal nameservers (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net). While this offers direct control, it requires robust security measures to prevent DNS compromise.

* The `A` record for `gasinc.net` points to `104.28.1.189`, which is the organization's external IP and the target of the port scans.

****MX Records (Email)****

* Email services are hosted by Mailhostbox, as indicated by the MX records: `10 mx.mailhostbox.com.` and `20 mx2.mailhostbox.com.`.

****SPF Record (Sender Policy Framework)****

* An SPF record exists: `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`.

* ****Weakness:**** The `~all` (softfail) mechanism allows mail from unauthorized servers to be delivered but marked as suspicious. A stronger policy, such as `-all` (hardfail), is recommended to prevent email spoofing more effectively.

****DMARC Record (Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting & Conformance)****

* ****Critical Weakness:**** The DMARC DNS lookup resulted in `NXDOMAIN`, meaning no DMARC record is configured for `gasinc.net`. This is a severe vulnerability as it leaves the organization completely exposed to email spoofing, phishing, and business email compromise (BEC) attacks. Without DMARC, G.A.S. Inc. has no control over how receiving mail servers should handle unauthenticated emails purporting to be from its domain, nor does it receive reports on such activities.

****Conclusion:**** G.A.S. Inc.'s email security posture is poor due to the absence of a DMARC record and a weak SPF policy. This significantly increases the risk of successful phishing and spoofing attacks targeting the organization's reputation and employees.

5. Port Scanning Results

A port scan of the external IP address `104.28.1.189` (which hosts the website and serves as the organization's external network gateway) revealed multiple open and high-risk services directly exposed to the internet.

Port	Service	Risk Level	Notes
21	FTP	**High**	File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is inherently insecure, transmitting credentials and data in plaintext. It's a common target for unauthorized access.
22	SSH	**Medium**	Secure Shell (SSH) allows remote command execution. While secure if properly configured, broad exposure makes it a target for brute-force attacks.
25	SMTP	**Medium**	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol. While necessary for email, it usually only needs to be open to trusted relays or for outbound traffic. Exposing it directly to the internet if not a dedicated mail server is risky.
80	HTTP	Low (Expected)	Standard port for unencrypted web traffic. Typically redirects to HTTPS.
110	POP3	**High**	Post Office Protocol version 3 is an insecure mail retrieval protocol that transmits credentials in plaintext. It should be replaced by IMAP/S or POP3/S.
443	HTTPS	Low (Expected)	Standard port for encrypted web traffic. Essential for secure website communication.
3389	RDP	**Critical**	Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) directly exposed to

the internet is a severe vulnerability, a primary vector for ransomware, brute-force, and credential theft attacks. |

****Summary:**** The exposure of FTP, POP3, and RDP services directly on the external IP represents a critical network security failing. These services are frequent targets for attackers and offer direct access points into the organization's network, potentially leading to data breaches, system compromise, and ransomware infections. SSH and SMTP exposure also present elevated risks if not meticulously secured.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category	Status	Notes
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Authentication Security	**Weak**	Lack of MFA for email and computer logins, offset only partially by MFA for sensitive systems. This makes user accounts highly susceptible to compromise.
Email Security	**Weak**	Absence of DMARC and a softfail SPF record (`~all`) makes the organization vulnerable to email spoofing and phishing attacks, eroding trust and increasing operational risk.
Network Exposure	**Critical**	Direct exposure of high-risk services (FTP, POP3, RDP) to the internet creates a wide-open gateway for attackers, severely compromising perimeter security.
Web Hosting	**Moderate**	Standard web ports (80/443) are open. The risk is elevated by the presence of other highly vulnerable services on the same external IP.
Policy & Training	**Weak**	Complete absence of an Acceptable Use Policy and any form of security awareness training for employees, leaving a significant human factor vulnerability.

7. Recommendations

Given the critical findings, G.A.S. Inc. must take immediate and decisive action to improve its cybersecurity posture.

****Immediate & Critical Actions (Within 24-72 hours):****

- **Close Unnecessary Ports:**** Immediately close ports 21 (FTP), 110 (POP3), and 3389 (RDP) on `104.28.1.189`. If these services are absolutely necessary:
 - **RDP (3389):**** Implement a VPN for all remote access or restrict access to specific, trusted source IP addresses. Never expose RDP directly to the internet.
 - **FTP (21) & POP3 (110):**** Disable these insecure protocols. Migrate to SFTP/SCP (port 22 with strong SSH configuration), or use secure email protocols like IMAPS (993) or POP3S (995) **only if necessary** and with strong authentication.
 - **SSH (22):**** If SSH is required, implement key-based authentication, disable password authentication, restrict access to specific IP addresses, change the default port, and use strong, unique passphrases.
 - **SMTP (25):**** Ensure port 25 is only open to necessary Mailhostbox servers or an internal mail relay.
- **Implement DMARC:**** Configure a DMARC record for `gasinc.net` with at least a `p=quarantine` policy, if not `p=reject`, to protect against email spoofing. Monitor DMARC reports regularly.

3. ****Strengthen SPF:**** Change the SPF record from `~all` (softfail) to `-all` (hard fail) to ensure that emails from unauthorized senders are rejected.

****High-Priority Actions (Within 1-2 months):****

4. ****Implement MFA Broadly:****

- * Require Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for all email accounts.
- * Require MFA for all employee computer logins.

5. ****Develop & Enforce Security Policies:****

- * Create and disseminate an employee Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).
- * Develop policies for remote access, password management, and data handling.

6. ****Conduct Security Awareness Training:****

- * Implement mandatory security awareness training for all new employees.
- * Establish an annual mandatory security awareness training program for all existing employees, covering topics like phishing, social engineering, password hygiene, and incident reporting.

****Ongoing Improvements:****

7. ****Vulnerability Management:**** Implement a regular schedule for internal and external vulnerability scans and penetration testing.

8. ****Incident Response Plan:**** Develop and regularly test a comprehensive cybersecurity incident response plan and disaster recovery procedures.

9. ****DNS Security Review:**** Review the security posture of the self-managed DNS nameservers. Consider moving to a managed DNS service for increased resilience and security if internal resources are limited.

8. Conclusion

G.A.S. Inc. currently exhibits a ****low to critical cybersecurity readiness****. The direct exposure of highly vulnerable services on its external IP, coupled with the absence of fundamental email authentication (DMARC) and critical organizational security policies and training, places the organization at extreme risk of cyberattacks, data breaches, and business disruption.

****Urgent and comprehensive remediation**** of the identified vulnerabilities and implementation of the recommended security controls are imperative to protect G.A.S. Inc.'s assets, data, and reputation.

****Prepared by:**** Cybersecurity Assessment Team

****Date:**** October 14, 2025

```
In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample2_pdf_markdown.html")
```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash_sample2_pdf_markdown.html

```
In [33]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "
          print(response.text)
```

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.

Date: October 14, 2025

1. Overview

This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on the provided DNS, port scan results, and answers to a security questionnaire. The findings indicate several critical areas of vulnerability and a lack of fundamental security controls, suggesting a low level of cybersecurity readiness.

2. Organizational Information

* **Organization Name:** G.A.S. Inc.
* **Email Domain:** gasinc.net
* **Website Domain:** www.gasinc.net
* **External IP (Firewall):** 104.28.1.189
* **Website Hosting IP:** 104.28.1.189

3. Security Questionnaire Review

Security Control	Status	Notes
MFA to access email?	No	Critical vulnerability. Lack of MFA for email significantly increases the risk of account compromise.
MFA to log into computers?	No	Critical vulnerability. Without MFA for computer logins, any compromised credentials can lead to full system access.
MFA to access sensitive data systems?	Yes	Positive control, but its effectiveness is diminished by the lack of MFA on email and general computer logins.
Employee acceptable use policy?	No	Significant gap. An AUP is foundational for setting user expectations and defining responsible technology use.
Security awareness training for new employees?	No	Critical gap. New employees are often prime targets for social engineering. Lack of training leaves them unprepared.
Security awareness training for all employees annually?	No	Critical gap. Cybersecurity threats evolve constantly. Regular training is essential to keep employees informed and vigilant.

Summary: G.A.S. Inc. demonstrates a significant lack of fundamental cybersecurity controls. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and general computer logins, coupled with no acceptable use policy and no security awareness training, creates a highly vulnerable environment.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records:

* The `gasinc.net` domain has A records pointing to `104.28.1.189`.
* MX records are configured for `gasinc.net`, directing mail to `mx.mailhostbox.co

m` and `mx2.mailhostbox.com`. This indicates an external email hosting provider is being used.

* A TXT record for SPF is present: `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`. This is a positive step in helping to prevent email spoofing.

****DMARC Record:****

* The `_dmarc.gasinc.net` query returned an `NXDOMAIN` (Non-Existent Domain) error. This means no DMARC record is configured.

****Conclusion:**** While SPF is present, the lack of a DMARC record is a significant oversight. DMARC, when implemented with SPF and DKIM (which is not confirmed here but is a common pairing), provides a robust defense against email spoofing and phishing. The absence of a DMARC record leaves the organization exposed to these threats.

5. Port Scanning Results

****Website Hosting (104.28.1.189):****

- * Port 80 (HTTP): Open
- * Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

These ports are expected for a publicly accessible website.

****Firewall / External IP (104.28.1.189):****

- * Port 21 (FTP): Open
- * Port 22 (SSH): Open
- * Port 25 (SMTP): Open
- * Port 80 (HTTP): Open
- * Port 110 (POP3): Open
- * Port 443 (HTTPS): Open
- * Port 3389 (RDP): Open

****Conclusion:**** The firewall scan reveals a disturbingly high number of open ports exposed to the internet. This includes ports commonly associated with file transfer (FTP), remote access (SSH, RDP), email services (SMTP, POP3), and web services (HTTP, HTTPS). Each open port represents a potential attack vector. The exposure of port 3389 (RDP) is particularly concerning, as it is a frequent target for brute-force attacks and exploitation if not secured with strong credentials and MFA.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication	Low	Critical vulnerabilities due to the absence of MFA for email and general computer logins. Sensitive data access has MFA, but the overall security is compromised.
Email Security	Medium	SPF is configured, which is good. However, the lack of a DMARC record significantly weakens defenses against phishing and spoofing.
Network Exposure	Low	Critical vulnerabilities. A large number of ports are open on the external firewall, creating a broad attack surface. RDP (3389) being

open is a significant risk. |
| Policy & Training | Low | Critical gaps. No acceptable use policy and no security awareness training for any employees leave the organization and its users highly susceptible to human error and social engineering attacks. |
| Website Security | Moderate | Standard web ports (80, 443) are open, which is expected. However, without further information, it's impossible to assess the security of the web application itself. |

7. Recommendations

G.A.S. Inc. is at a **low level of cybersecurity readiness** and requires immediate and significant improvements. The following recommendations are critical:

1. **Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) Everywhere:**
 - * Immediately enforce MFA for all email accounts.
 - * Enforce MFA for all user logins to computers and company devices.
 - * Ensure strong, unique passwords are also enforced.
2. **Develop and Enforce an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP):**
 - * Create a comprehensive AUP that clearly outlines acceptable and prohibited uses of company IT resources.
 - * Ensure all employees read, understand, and sign the AUP.
3. **Establish a Robust Security Awareness Training Program:**
 - * Implement mandatory security awareness training for all new employees.
 - * Conduct annual (at a minimum) security awareness training for all employees. This training should cover phishing, social engineering, password security, and safe browsing habits.
4. **Harden the Network Perimeter:**
 - * **Review and restrict open ports:** Critically evaluate every open port on the external firewall. Close any ports that are not absolutely necessary for business operations.
 - * **Secure RDP:** If RDP access is required, it must be secured with MFA, strong passwords, and ideally accessed via a VPN rather than directly exposed to the internet. Consider disabling RDP from the public internet entirely.
 - * **Implement Network Segmentation:** If possible, segment the network to limit the blast radius of any potential breach.
5. **Configure DMARC:**
 - * Implement a DMARC record for `gasinc.net`. Start with a monitoring mode (`p=none`) to analyze reports, then move to quarantine (`p=quarantine`) or reject (`p=reject`) as confidence grows.
 - * Ensure DKIM is also configured and aligned with SPF and DMARC for comprehensive email authentication.
6. **Regular Vulnerability Scanning and Penetration Testing:**
 - * Conduct regular external and internal vulnerability scans to identify weaknesses.
 - * Consider periodic penetration testing to simulate real-world attacks.
7. **Review Email Hosting Security:**
 - * While using an external provider is common, ensure G.A.S. Inc. understands the security responsibilities of their chosen email hosting provider (mailhostbox.com).

8. Conclusion

G.A.S. Inc. is currently operating with significant cybersecurity risks due to the absence of fundamental security controls. The open ports on the firewall and the lack of MFA and employee training are critical vulnerabilities that expose the organization to a high risk of data breaches, ransomware, and other cyberattacks. Immediate remediation of the recommended actions is essential to improve the organization's cybersecurity posture and protect its assets and reputation.

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In [ ]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample2_pdf_markdown.html")
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✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash_lite_sample2_pdf_markdown.html

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    }
)
print(response.text)
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novations, based on a security questionnaire and technical scans of their public-fac
ing infrastructure. The findings indicate strong internal security policies, includi
ng widespread MFA adoption and security training, coupled with excellent email secur
ity configurations. However, the external network perimeter shows open ports for HTT
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which presents a notable area of risk.",
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    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: Yes",
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ity training cadence for all employees. This demonstrates a mature approach to user-
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ng receivers to reject mail from other sources.",
    "DMARC Record: A strong DMARC policy is implemented ('v=DMARC1; p=reject; ...'),
which protects against domain spoofing by instructing email providers to reject unau
thenticated emails.",
    "MX Records: Mail Exchange (MX) records are configured for 'mx1.apexinnovations.
com' and 'mx2.apexinnovations.com', consistent with an on-premise or dedicated mail
server setup that uses Microsoft's protection services.",
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    "Policy & Training: Strong. The existence of an acceptable use policy and annual
security training indicates a high level of security awareness.",
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nal IP. While only standard web ports are open, any vulnerability on this server could potentially provide a gateway into the internal network."

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    "2. Network Segmentation: If the web server is hosted on-premise, ensure it is properly isolated in a Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) to prevent a potential compromise from affecting the internal corporate network.",
    "3. Regular Vulnerability Scanning: Conduct regular, authenticated vulnerability scans of the web server (72.21.196.160) to identify and remediate security flaws in a timely manner.",
    "4. Implement DKIM: While SPF and DMARC are in place, ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also configured for the 'apexinnovations.com' domain to further strengthen email authentication.",
    "5. Develop an Incident Response Plan: Create and regularly test an incident response plan to ensure a coordinated and effective response in the event of a security breach."
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)
print(response.text)
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    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: Yes",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: Yes",
    "Summary: Apex Innovations reports full compliance with foundational security practices, including multi-factor authentication (MFA) across critical access points and regular security awareness training, indicating a strong policy-driven security culture."
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    "  SPF record: \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\". This is well-configured, using Outlook.com for email protection and a strict -all policy to prevent spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record:",
    "  A valid DMARC record is present with a p=reject policy: \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmARC_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\". This provides strong protection against email impersonation and phishing attempts.",
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    "Email Security: Strong (SPF and DMARC with \"reject\" policy implemented, using Outlook protection).",
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    "Policy & Training: Comprehensive (Acceptable use policies and regular security awareness training in place).",
  ],
  "Recommendations": [
    "1. Enforce HTTPS Redirection: Ensure all HTTP (Port 80) traffic is automatically redirected to HTTPS (Port 443) to guarantee encrypted communication for all website visitors.",
    "2. Regular Vulnerability Scanning: Conduct regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of the web server and other network devices to identify and remediate potential weaknesses proactively.",
    "3. Security Logging and Monitoring: Implement comprehensive logging and monitoring solutions for network traffic, server access, and security events to detect and respond to potential threats in real-time.",
    "4. Web Application Firewall (WAF): Consider deploying a WAF in front of the web server (72.21.196.160) to provide an additional layer of protection against common web-based attacks.",
    "5. Review Custom MX Records: While the SPF and DMARC are strong, review the use of custom MX records (mx1/mx2.apexinnovations.com) to ensure they are properly secured and redundant, especially as SPF points to Outlook.com. Confirm the mail flow architecture.",
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In [49]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(
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    }  
)  
print(response.text)
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    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: Yes",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: Yes",
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    "SPF Record: The TXT record for apexinnovations.com contains 'v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all'. This is a correct SPF configuration, indicating the use of Microsoft 365 for email and helping to prevent email spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record: The _dmarc.apexinnovations.com record shows 'v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1'. This is a strong DMARC policy, instructing receiving servers to reject emails that fail DMARC checks, significantly enhancing email security and preventing phishing.",
    "Conclusion: DNS and email security configurations, including SPF and DMARC, are robust and align with best practices for preventing email-based threats."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "External IP Scan (72.21.196.160): Port 80 (HTTP) and Port 443 (HTTPS) are open. Other ports were not specified as open.",
    "Website Scan (72.21.196.160): Port 80 (HTTP) and Port 443 (HTTPS) are open. This is expected for a publicly accessible website.",
    "Summary: The external IP and website expose only standard web ports (80 and 443), indicating a well-configured firewall that limits the attack surface. No unnecessary services appear to be exposed to the internet."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication Security: Strong. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) is mandated for email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems, significantly reducing the risk of account compromise.",
    "Email Security: Strong. Correctly configured SPF and a 'reject' policy DMARC record provide excellent protection against email spoofing and phishing."
  ]
}

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    "Network Exposure: Secure. Only standard web ports (80 and 443) are open on the
    external IP and website, indicating effective firewall rules.",
    "Policy & Training: Comprehensive. The organization has an acceptable use policy
    and conducts regular security awareness training for all employees, fostering a secu
    rity-conscious culture.",
    "Overall Readiness: Apex Innovations demonstrates a high level of cybersecurity
    readiness due to strong authentication controls, robust email security measures, and
    a commitment to employee training."
  ],
  "Recommendations": [
    "Review Firewall Rules: Regularly review and audit firewall rules to ensure only
    necessary ports are open and to detect any unauthorized changes.",
    "Implement Intrusion Detection/Prevention Systems (IDPS): Consider deploying IDP
    S solutions to monitor network traffic for malicious activity.",
    "Regular Vulnerability Assessments: Conduct periodic vulnerability assessments a
    nd penetration testing to proactively identify and address potential weaknesses in t
    he infrastructure.",
    "Develop an Incident Response Plan: Formalize and test an incident response plan
    to ensure a swift and effective reaction to security breaches.",
    "Enhance Logging and Monitoring: Implement comprehensive logging across systems
    and establish monitoring to detect suspicious activities in real-time."
  ],
  "Conclusion": "Apex Innovations exhibits a strong cybersecurity posture, underpinn
  ed by robust authentication, effective email security measures, and a culture of sec
  urity awareness cultivated through training and policies. The limited exposure of ne
  twork services further strengthens its defense. Continued diligence in regularly rev
  iewing security configurations and implementing advanced threat detection mechanisms
  will ensure sustained security maturity."
}

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In [51]: # === SAMPLE 2 ===

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response = proModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'},
            },
            'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review', 'DNS & Email Security', 'Port Scanning Results', 'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary', 'Recommendations', 'Conclusion'],
        },
    },
)
print(response.text)

```

```
{
  "Overview": "This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on a security questionnaire and external network scans. The assessment reveals critical deficiencies in fundamental security controls, including user authentication, email security, network perimeter defense, and employee security awareness. The organization currently has a very high-risk security posture and requires immediate action to mitigate significant vulnerabilities.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP: 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: No - CRITICAL RISK. Lack of MFA on email exposes the organization to business email compromise and phishing attacks.",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No - CRITICAL RISK. This significantly increases the risk of unauthorized access to endpoints and internal network resources.",
    "MFA for Sensitive Systems: Yes - POSITIVE. However, the security benefit is diminished by the lack of MFA on email and computers, which are often entry points.",
    "Employee Acceptable Use Policy: No - HIGH RISK. Without a policy, there are no clear guidelines for employees on the safe and acceptable use of company assets.",
    "Security Awareness Training: No - HIGH RISK. The absence of training for new or existing employees makes the organization highly susceptible to social engineering and phishing attacks."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "SPF Record: A valid SPF record exists ('v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all'), but it is configured with a softfail (~all) instead of a hardfail (-all). This reduces its effectiveness in preventing email spoofing.",
    "DMARC Record: No DMARC record was found (NXDOMAIN). This is a CRITICAL vulnerability, as it leaves the organization's domain unprotected against sophisticated email spoofing and phishing campaigns.",
    "DKIM: DKIM status could not be determined from the provided data, but it should be implemented alongside SPF and DMARC for comprehensive email authentication."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "External IP (104.28.1.189) Scan: CRITICAL RISK. Numerous high-risk ports are exposed directly to the internet:",
    "Port 21 (FTP): Open. Unencrypted file transfer protocol, insecure.",
    "Port 22 (SSH): Open. Secure Shell, a primary target for brute-force attacks.",
    "Port 25 (SMTP): Open. Simple Mail Transfer Protocol, can be exploited for spam relay.",
    "Port 110 (POP3): Open. Unencrypted email protocol.",
    "Port 3389 (RDP): Open. Remote Desktop Protocol, a major vector for ransomware attacks.",
    "Ports 80 (HTTP) & 443 (HTTPS): Open. Expected for a web server, but the other open ports indicate this IP is likely a misconfigured multi-purpose server or firewall."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication Security: Very Poor. Lack of MFA for email and computer access is a critical failure.",
    "Email Security: Very Poor. The absence of DMARC and a weak SPF configuration leave the primary communication channel vulnerable to spoofing.",
    "Network Exposure: Critical. The high number of exposed, high-risk services (FT
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P, SSH, RDP) on the external IP address presents an immediate and severe threat of compromise.",

"Policy & Training: Non-Existent. The lack of basic policies and security awareness training indicates a low level of security maturity and high susceptibility to human error."

],

"Recommendations": [

"IMMEDIATE: Close all unnecessary ports on the external firewall (104.28.1.189), especially ports 21, 22, 25, 110, and 3389. If remote access is required, it must be secured behind a VPN.",

"IMMEDIATE: Implement mandatory Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for all user access to email and computer logins.",

"URGENT: Create and implement a DMARC record for gasinc.net, starting with a monitoring policy (p=none) and progressing to a quarantine or reject policy (p=reject).",

"URGENT: Strengthen the SPF record by changing the qualifier from `~all` (softfail) to `-all` (fail).",

"Develop and enforce an Employee Acceptable Use Policy that outlines rules for technology use.",

"Establish a mandatory security awareness training program for all employees upon hiring and at least annually thereafter."

],

"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. exhibits a critically weak cybersecurity posture. The combination of an exposed network perimeter with multiple insecure services, inadequate email security, and a complete lack of MFA and employee training places the organization at an extremely high risk of a significant security breach, such as a ransomware attack or business email compromise. The recommendations outlined in this report should be treated as urgent priorities to establish a baseline level of security and protect critical assets."

}

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In [52]: response = flashModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'},
            },
            'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review', 'DNS & Email Security', 'Port Scanning Results', 'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary', 'Recommendations', 'Conclusion'],
        },
    },
)
print(response.text)
```

```
{
  "Overview": "This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings indicate several critical vulnerabilities and a general lack of foundational cybersecurity practices, posing a significant risk to the organization's data and operations.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP: 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email Access: No (Critical Weakness - Leaves email accounts vulnerable to credential theft)",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No (Critical Weakness - Increases risk of unauthorized access to internal systems)",
    "MFA for Sensitive Data Systems: Yes (Strength - Essential for protecting high-value assets)",
    "Employee Acceptable Use Policy: No (Major Weakness - Lack of clear guidelines for employee behavior)",
    "New Employee Security Awareness Training: No (Major Weakness - New employees are unprepared for common cyber threats)",
    "Annual All-Employee Security Training: No (Major Weakness - Employees are not regularly updated on evolving threats and best practices)",
    "Summary: G.A.S. Inc. demonstrates significant gaps in fundamental security controls related to multi-factor authentication for common access points, security policies, and employee training. While MFA for sensitive systems is a positive, the widespread absence of other controls creates a high-risk environment."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "MX Records (Email): The domain uses mailhostbox.com for email hosting (mx.mailhostbox.com, mx2.mailhostbox.com).",
    "SPF Record: A Sender Policy Framework (SPF) record is present: \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\". This record helps to prevent email spoofing by authorizing specific senders. However, the '~all' (softfail) policy is less restrictive than '-all' (hardfail), allowing some spoofed emails to potentially be delivered.",
    "DMARC Record: No DMARC record was found (_dmarc.gasinc.net returned NXDOMAIN). This is a critical vulnerability. Without DMARC, G.A.S. Inc.'s email domain is highly susceptible to impersonation and phishing attacks, as there is no policy to instruct receiving mail servers on how to handle unauthenticated mail."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "Scanning Target: 104.28.1.189",
    "Open Ports Identified:",
    "Port 21 (FTP): Open - File Transfer Protocol is often insecure, transmitting credentials in cleartext. High risk.",
    "Port 22 (SSH): Open - Secure Shell access should be tightly restricted to known IP addresses and use strong authentication (e.g., key-based, MFA). Direct exposure is a significant risk.",
    "Port 25 (SMTP): Open - Simple Mail Transfer Protocol. While necessary for mail servers, direct exposure can lead to spam, unauthorized relaying, or vulnerabilities if not properly secured.",
    "Port 80 (HTTP): Open - Standard for unencrypted web traffic. Expected for a website, but should redirect to HTTPS."
  ]
}
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"Port 110 (POP3): Open - Post Office Protocol version 3 is a legacy email retrieval protocol that often transmits credentials in cleartext. High risk.",

"Port 443 (HTTPS): Open - Standard for encrypted web traffic. Expected for a secure website.",

"Port 3389 (RDP): Open - Remote Desktop Protocol provides graphical interface to a server. Direct exposure is a critical vulnerability, making the system a prime target for brute-force attacks and unauthorized access.",

"Summary: The external IP (104.28.1.189) has numerous high-risk ports open to the public internet, including FTP, SSH, POP3, and RDP. This indicates a severely exposed network perimeter, significantly increasing the attack surface and the likelihood of a successful breach. Many of these services are inherently insecure or should only be accessible via a VPN or strict IP whitelisting."

],

"Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [

"Authentication Security: Poor - Lack of MFA for email and computer logins leaves critical access points vulnerable.",

"Email Security: Critical - Absence of a DMARC record and a softfail SPF policy make the domain highly susceptible to spoofing and phishing.",

"Network Exposure: Critical - Numerous high-risk ports (FTP, SSH, POP3, RDP) are open to the internet, creating severe opportunities for attackers.",

"Policy & Training: Absent - No acceptable use policy and no security awareness training leave employees unprepared and unprotected.",

"Overall Readiness: G.A.S. Inc. has a low cybersecurity readiness. There are critical vulnerabilities across multiple domains, from user authentication and email security to network perimeter protection and employee awareness. The organization is at a very high risk of cyberattack and data breach."

],

"Recommendations": [

"1. Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA): Immediately enforce MFA for all email access and computer logins to prevent unauthorized access even if credentials are stolen.",

"2. Secure Network Perimeter: Review and close all unnecessary open ports on 104.28.1.189. Specifically, disable or restrict access to Ports 21 (FTP), 22 (SSH), 25 (SMTP), 110 (POP3), and 3389 (RDP). For essential services, implement strict firewall rules (IP whitelisting) or require VPN access.",

"3. Enhance Email Security: Publish a DMARC record with an enforcing policy (e.g., 'p=quarantine' or 'p=reject') to prevent email impersonation. Consider hardening the SPF record to '-all' after verifying all legitimate sending sources.",

"4. Develop and Implement Security Policies: Create and enforce an Employee Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) to define expected behaviors and security requirements for all employees.",

"5. Conduct Security Awareness Training: Implement mandatory security awareness training for all new employees and annual refresher training for all staff. This should cover topics like phishing, social engineering, password hygiene, and data handling.",

"6. Regular Vulnerability Scanning: Perform regular vulnerability scans and penetration tests on all internet-facing assets to identify and address weaknesses proactively.",

"7. Secure Email Protocols: Ensure all email clients are configured to use secure protocols like IMAPS/POP3S/SMTPS (ports 993/995/465) instead of insecure POP3/SMTP (ports 110/25) for retrieving and sending mail."

],

"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. faces significant cybersecurity challenges due to widespread vulnerabilities in authentication, email protection, network perimeter, and security awareness. The current posture indicates a high level of risk to organizational assets and data. Immediate and comprehensive action on the recommendations is crucial."

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l to mitigate these risks and establish a more robust cybersecurity defense."
}
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In [53]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(
    contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "\n" + example_text],
    generation_config={
        'response_mime_type': 'application/json',
        'response_schema': {
            'type': 'object',
            'properties': {
                'Overview': {'type': 'string'},
                'Organizational Information': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Security Questionnaire Review': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'DNS & Email Security': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Port Scanning Results': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Recommendations': {'type': 'array', 'items': {'type': 'string'}},
                'Conclusion': {'type': 'string'}},
            },
        'required': ['Overview', 'Organizational Information', 'Security Questionnaire Review', 'DNS & Email Security', 'Port Scanning Results', 'Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary', 'Recommendations', 'Conclusion']
    }
)
print(response.text)
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{
  "Overview": "This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on provided DNS, port scanning, and security questionnaire data. The findings highlight areas of strength and areas requiring immediate attention to improve the organization's overall security posture.",
  "Organizational Information": [
    "Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain: gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain: www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP Address (Firewall): 104.28.1.189"
  ],
  "Security Questionnaire Review": [
    "MFA for Email: No",
    "MFA for Computer Login: No",
    "MFA for Sensitive Data Systems: Yes",
    "Acceptable Use Policy: No",
    "Security Awareness Training (New Employees): No",
    "Security Awareness Training (Annual): No",
    "Summary: The organization lacks fundamental security controls such as MFA for email and computer logins, an acceptable use policy, and regular security awareness training for employees. This presents significant risks related to account compromise, data breaches, and insider threats."
  ],
  "DNS & Email Security": [
    "DNS Records for gasinc.net: The 'ANY' query shows an SOA record indicating management by dns1.gasinc.net and NS records for dns1.gasinc.net and dns2.gasinc.net. An A record points to 104.28.1.189, and MX records are configured for mx.mailhostbox.com and mx2.mailhostbox.com. An SPF record is present: \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\".",
    "DMARC Record for gasinc.net: The DMARC query for _dmarc.gasinc.net resulted in NXDOMAIN (Non-Existent Domain), indicating that no DMARC record is published. This is a critical gap in email security.",
    "Email Security Conclusion: While SPF is configured, the absence of a DMARC record leaves the email system vulnerable to spoofing and phishing attacks. The use of mailhostbox.com for email services is noted."
  ],
  "Port Scanning Results": [
    "External IP Scan (104.28.1.189): Ports 21 (FTP), 22 (SSH), 25 (SMTP), 80 (HTTP), 110 (POP3), 443 (HTTPS), and 3389 (RDP) were found to be open. This wide range of open ports on the external perimeter increases the attack surface.",
    "Website Scan (104.28.1.189): Ports 80 (HTTP) and 443 (HTTPS) are open, which is expected for a web server."
  ],
  "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary": [
    "Authentication: Weak. Lack of MFA for email and computer logins significantly increases the risk of account compromise.",
    "Email Security: Moderate to Weak. SPF is present, but the absence of DMARC is a critical vulnerability.",
    "Network Exposure: High Risk. Numerous ports (FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, RDP) are open on the external IP, presenting a large attack surface.",
    "Policy & Training: Very Weak. Absence of an acceptable use policy and any form of security awareness training leaves the organization highly susceptible to social engineering and policy violations.",
    "Overall Readiness: Low. The combination of missing foundational security controls, lack of policies, inadequate training, and a broad network attack surface indicates a low level of cybersecurity readiness."
  ]
}
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],
"Recommendations": [
    "Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA): Enforce MFA for all email accounts, computer logins, and access to sensitive data systems.",
    "Publish a DMARC Record: Implement a DMARC record for the 'gasinc.net' domain to protect against email spoofing and phishing.",
    "Review and Harden Firewall Rules: Close all unnecessary open ports on the external IP address (104.28.1.189). Specifically, restrict access to or disable ports like FTP (21), SSH (22), SMTP (25), POP3 (110), and RDP (3389) unless absolutely required and properly secured.",
    "Develop and Implement an Acceptable Use Policy: Create a formal policy outlining acceptable use of company IT resources.",
    "Establish Security Awareness Training Programs: Implement mandatory security awareness training for all new and existing employees, covering topics such as phishing, password security, and safe internet practices.",
    "Review Email Service Provider Security: Ensure the security practices of 'mailhostbox.com' align with G.A.S. Inc.'s security requirements."
],
"Conclusion": "G.A.S. Inc. exhibits significant cybersecurity weaknesses across multiple critical areas, including authentication, email security, network exposure, and organizational policies. The lack of basic security controls and training poses a substantial risk. Immediate implementation of the recommendations, particularly MFA, DMARC, and firewall hardening, is crucial to mitigate these risks and improve the organization's cybersecurity posture."
}

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In [ ]: prompt_text = 'Prompt:\nGiven this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of

context1_text = 'Context:\n'
context2_text = 'Context:\n'
example_text = 'Example:\n' + prompt_text

filepaths = ["report_template/test_questionnaire.json", "report_template/test_port_
pdfFile = "report_template/test_report.pdf"

sample1_filepaths = ["report_sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json", "report_sample1/s
sample2_filepaths = ["report_sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json", "report_sample2/s

for file in filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            example_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

example_text += extract_text_from_pdf(pdfFile)

print("==== Example =====")
print(example_text)
print("=====")

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for file in sample1_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context1_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's"
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Sample 1 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context1_text)
print("====")

for file in sample2_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context2_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's"
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("==== Sample 2 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context2_text)
print("====")

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===== Example =====

Example:

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.template/test_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Valier School District",
    "Email Domain": "valier.k12.mt.us",
    "Website Domain": "www.valier.k12.mt.us",
    "External IP": "216.220.16.170",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

--
template/test_port_scan_external_ip.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.220.16.170\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226\n-----\nno ports open\n"
}
```

--
template/test_port_scan_web.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.239.32.21\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open\n"
}
```

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template/test_dns_dig_email.json:

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{
  "text": "id 49113\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umd.edu. dns-request.umd.edu. 2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umd.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx.l.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx.l.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx.l.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
}
```

--
template/test_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:

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{
  "text": "id 45565\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.
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valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1;
p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us\"\\n;AUTHORITY\\n;ADDITIONAL\\n\"
}
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```

Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District Date: July 18, 2025

1. Overview

This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of Valier School District based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reflect a strong commitment to foundational cybersecurity practices across user access, email protection, network exposure, and staff awareness.

2. Organizational Information

- Organization Name: Valier School District
- Email Domain: valier.k12.mt.us
- Website Domain: www.valier.k12.mt.us
- External IP (Firewall): 216.220.16.170
- Website Hosting IPs: 216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.239.36.21, 216.239.38.21
- DNS Hosting: Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameservers)

3. Security Questionnaire Review Security Control Status

MFA for Email ☒ Yes

MFA for Computer Login ☒ Yes

MFA for Sensitive Systems ☒ Yes

Acceptable Use Policy ☒ Yes

New Employee Security Awareness Training ☒ Yes

Annual All-Employee Security Training ☒ Yes

Summary: The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, especially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- DNS is managed by the University of Montana (cudess1.umt.edu, cudess2.umt.edu), suggesting centralized and professionally administered DNS.
- A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites hosting for web content).

MX Records (Email)

- The district uses Google Workspace (Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple aspmx.l.google.com MX records.
- SPF record is correctly configured: v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders.

DMARC Record

- A valid DMARC record exists with a reject policy: v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us This instructs receiving servers to reject unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing.

Conclusion: DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured correctly and follow best practices.

5. Port Scanning Results

Website Hosting (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)

- Port 80 (HTTP): Open
- Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

These are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Google-hosted services.

Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)

- All scanned ports are closed This is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good firewall configuration. No externally exposed services.

es were found on the organization's primary IP.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary Category Status Notes

Authentication Security ☒ Strong MFA is required across key systems

Email Security ☒ Strong SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place

Network Exposure ☒ Secure No exposed services on the external firewall IP

Web Hosting ☒ Secure Google-hosted; limited attack surface

Policy & Training ☒ Comprehensive Acceptable use policies and regular training in place

7. Recommendations

Although the cybersecurity readiness is solid, continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:

1. Verify DKIM : While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure DKIM is also active for all sending domains. 2. Vulnerability Scanning : Consider regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of network devices and servers. 3. Incident Response Plan : Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan. 4. Asset Inventory : Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardware/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes. 5. Third-party Risk : Evaluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security posture, especially since they're included in SPF.

8. Conclusion

Valier School District demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.

Prepared by: Cybersecurity Assessment Team Date: July 18, 2025

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===== Sample 1 =====

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.

Context:

sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain": "apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain": "www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External IP": "72.21.196.160",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

```

}
--
sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 31890\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\""
}
--
sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 52417\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\napexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN SOA ns1.apexinnovations.com. hostmaster.apexinnovations.com. 2025101401 21600 3600 604800 3600\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN A 72.21.196.160\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 10 mx1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\""
}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:09:42.589112\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:08:15.223456\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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```

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===== Sample 2 =====

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Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.

Context:

sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json:

```

{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain": "gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain": "www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP": "104.28.1.189",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "No",
  }
}

```

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    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "No"
  }
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 28911\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NXDOMAIN\nflags QR AA RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.gasinc.net. IN ANY\n;AUTHORITY\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\n;ADDITIONAL"
}
--
sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 47123\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\ngasinc.net. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns1.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns2.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN A 104.28.1.189\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 10 mx.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\""
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:16:11.890123\n-----\n\nPort 21 is open\nPort 22 is open\nPort 25 is open\nPort 80 is open\nPort 110 is open\nPort 443 is open\nPort 3389 is open"
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:15:30.456789\n-----\n\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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In [9]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===

# input PDF, output LaTeX
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)

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Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations

Date: October 14, 2025

1. Overview

This report provides an assessment of the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations, based on a combination of a self-reported security questionnaire and external technical scans, including DNS record analysis and network port scanning. The evaluation indicates a mature and robust security posture, with strong controls implemented across email security, user authentication, and network perimeter defense.

2. Organizational Information

- Organization Name: Apex Innovations
- Email Domain: apexinnovations.com
- Website Domain: www.apexinnovations.com
- External IP / Web Host: 72.21.196.160
- DNS Hosting: Self-hosted (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)
- Email Service Provider: Microsoft 365 (as per SPF record)

3. Security Questionnaire Review

Security Control | Status

--- | ---

MFA for Email | Yes

MFA for Computer Login | Yes

MFA for Sensitive Systems | Yes

Acceptable Use Policy | Yes

New Employee Security Awareness Training | Yes

Annual All-Employee Security Training | Yes

Summary: Apex Innovations reports complete adherence to fundamental cybersecurity policies. The mandatory implementation of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for all critical access points, combined with a comprehensive security awareness training program, signifies a strong, policy-driven commitment to mitigating risk.

4. DNS & Email Security

- SPF Record: The organization has a correctly configured SPF record: "v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all". The use of "-all" (Hard Fail) is a best practice that helps prevent email spoofing by strictly defining authorized sending sources.
- DMARC Record: A strong DMARC policy is in place: "v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1". The "p=reject" policy instructs receiving email servers to reject messages that fail authentication, providing excellent protection against phishing and domain impersonation attacks.
- DNS and MX Records: The organization manages its own DNS and mail exchange (MX) servers. This configuration, paired with the use of a secure third-party provider (Microsoft 365) for email delivery, demonstrates a well-architected and secure email infrastructure.

Conclusion: The email security configuration for apexinnovations.com is excellent and aligns with modern best practices, providing strong defenses against common email-based threats.

5. Port Scanning Results

- Website / External IP (72.21.196.160):
 - Port 80 (HTTP): Open
 - Port 443 (HTTPS): Open
- Summary: The external network scan of the organization's primary IP address shows that only standard web service ports are open. This indicates a properly configured

firewall that limits the external attack surface, adhering to the principle of least privilege.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category | Status | Notes

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Authentication Security | Strong | MFA is consistently required across the organization.

Email Security | Strong | SPF and DMARC are implemented with a strict "reject" policy.

Network Exposure | Secure | Minimal services are exposed; only standard web ports are open.

Policy & Training | Comprehensive | Foundational policies and regular training programs are in place.

7. Recommendations

While Apex Innovations exhibits a strong security posture, the following recommendations are made for continuous improvement:

1. Implement a Web Application Firewall (WAF): Since the organization hosts its own website, a WAF would provide critical protection against application-layer attacks like SQL injection and cross-site scripting.
2. Verify DKIM Implementation: To complete the email authentication triad (SPF, DKIM, DMARC), ensure that DKIM is correctly configured for all authorized sending services.
3. Conduct Regular Vulnerability Scanning: For all self-hosted infrastructure (web server, DNS), perform regular vulnerability assessments to identify and remediate potential security weaknesses before they can be exploited.
4. Develop and Test an Incident Response Plan: Formalize a comprehensive incident response plan and conduct regular tabletop exercises to ensure the organization can respond effectively to a security breach.

8. Conclusion

Apex Innovations demonstrates a high level of cybersecurity readiness. The organization has successfully implemented critical controls for authentication, email security, and network defense. By focusing on the continuous improvement of its self-hosted services and formalizing response procedures, Apex Innovations can further enhance its already robust security posture.

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Cybersecurity Assessment Team

Date: October 14, 2025

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\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[utf8]{inputenc}
\usepackage{geometry}
\geometry{a4paper, margin=1in}
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\usepackage{tabularx}
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    breaklines=true,
}

\title{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations}
```

\author{Cybersecurity Assessment Team}

\date{October 14, 2025}

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\section*{2. Organizational Information}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Organization Name:} Apex Innovations

\item \textbf{Email Domain:} apexinnovations.com

\item \textbf{Website Domain:} www.apexinnovations.com

\item \textbf{External IP / Web Host:} 72.21.196.160

\item \textbf{DNS Hosting:} Self-hosted (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)

\item \textbf{Email Service Provider:} Microsoft 365 (as per SPF record)

\end{itemize}

\section*{3. Security Questionnaire Review}

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\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} \\

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MFA for Email & Yes \\

MFA for Computer Login & Yes \\

MFA for Sensitive Systems & Yes \\

Acceptable Use Policy & Yes \\

New Employee Security Awareness Training & Yes \\

Annual All-Employee Security Training & Yes \\

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\textbf{Summary:} Apex Innovations reports complete adherence to fundamental cybersecurity policies. The mandatory implementation of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for all critical access points, combined with a comprehensive security awareness training program, signifies a strong, policy-driven commitment to mitigating risk.

\section*{4. DNS & Email Security}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{SPF Record:} The organization has a correctly configured SPF record: \texttt{"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all"}. The use of \texttt{-all} (Hard Fail) is a best practice that helps prevent email spoofing by strictly defining authorized sending sources.

\item \textbf{DMARC Record:} A strong DMARC policy is in place: \texttt{"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1"}. The \texttt{p=reject} policy instructs receiving email servers to reject messages that fail authenti

cation, providing excellent protection against phishing and domain impersonation attacks.

\item \textbf{DNS and MX Records:} The organization manages its own DNS and mail exchange (MX) servers. This configuration, paired with the use of a secure third-party provider (Microsoft 365) for email delivery, demonstrates a well-architected and secure email infrastructure.

\textbf{Conclusion:} The email security configuration for apexinnovations.com is excellent and aligns with modern best practices, providing strong defenses against common email-based threats.

\section*{5. Port Scanning Results}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Website / External IP (72.21.196.160):}

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\item Port 80 (HTTP): Open

\item Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

\end{itemize}

\item \textbf{Summary:} The external network scan of the organization's primary IP address shows that only standard web service ports are open. This indicates a properly configured firewall that limits the external attack surface, adhering to the principle of least privilege.

\end{itemize}

\section*{6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

\hline

Authentication Security & Strong & MFA is consistently required across the organization. \\

\hline

Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC are implemented with a strict "reject" policy. \\

\hline

Network Exposure & Secure & Minimal services are exposed; only standard web ports are open. \\

\hline

Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Foundational policies and regular training programs are in place. \\

\hline

\end{tabularx}

\end{table}

\section*{7. Recommendations}

While Apex Innovations exhibits a strong security posture, the following recommendations are made for continuous improvement:

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{Implement a Web Application Firewall (WAF):} Since the organization hosts its own website, a WAF would provide critical protection against application-layer attacks like SQL injection and cross-site scripting.

\item \textbf{Verify DKIM Implementation:} To complete the email authentication triad (SPF, DKIM, DMARC), ensure that DKIM is correctly configured for all authorized

d sending services.

- \item \textbf{Conduct Regular Vulnerability Scanning:} For all self-hosted infrastructure (web server, DNS), perform regular vulnerability assessments to identify and remediate potential security weaknesses before they can be exploited.

- \item \textbf{Develop and Test an Incident Response Plan:} Formalize a comprehensive incident response plan and conduct regular tabletop exercises to ensure the organization can respond effectively to a security breach.

\end{enumerate}

\section*{8. Conclusion}

Apex Innovations demonstrates a high level of cybersecurity readiness. The organization has successfully implemented critical controls for authentication, email security, and network defense. By focusing on the continuous improvement of its self-hosted services and formalizing response procedures, Apex Innovations can further enhance its already robust security posture.

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```
In [10]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
        export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample1_pdf_latex.html")
```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: pro_sample1_pdf_latex.html

```
In [11]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n"]
        print(response.text)
```

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Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations
Date: October 14, 2025

1. Overview

This report provides an evaluation of Apex Innovations' cybersecurity posture, derived from a security questionnaire, DNS records analysis (including DMARC), and external port scans of their public-facing infrastructure. The organization demonstrates a robust foundational security stance across critical areas such as user authentication, email protection, and employee awareness, with a well-managed external network presence.

2. Organizational Information

\begin{itemize}
 \item Organization Name: Apex Innovations
 \item Email Domain: apexinnovations.com
 \item Website Domain: www.apexinnovations.com
 \item External IP (Website/Firewall): 72.21.196.160
\end{itemize}

3. Security Questionnaire Review

Apex Innovations reports a comprehensive adoption of key cybersecurity policies and practices:

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\hline
\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} \\ \hline
MFA for Email Access & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
MFA for Computer Login & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
MFA for Sensitive Data Systems & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
Employee Acceptable Use Policy & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
New Employee Security Awareness Training & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
Annual All-Employee Security Training & \(\checkmark\) Yes \\ \hline
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\end{center}

Summary: The organization has implemented crucial controls for user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication), acceptable use, and ongoing security awareness training. This indicates a strong commitment to managing human risk factors and enforcing security policies.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

\begin{itemize}
 \item The primary A record for apexinnovations.com resolves to 72.21.196.160, matching the external IP identified in port scans.
 \item Name Servers (NS) are ns1.apexinnovations.com and ns2.apexinnovations.com, suggesting self-managed DNS or a provider managing DNS on their behalf with custom nameservers.
\end{itemize}

MX Records (Email)

\begin{itemize}

\item MX records (mx1.apexinnovations.com, mx2.apexinnovations.com) indicate email services are handled by Apex Innovations' infrastructure or a dedicated provider.

\item SPF record is correctly configured: \texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all}. This record explicitly authorizes Microsoft 365 (Outlook.com) as a legitimate sender for Apex Innovations' email and uses a strict \texttt{-all} policy to reject unauthorized senders, significantly reducing email spoofing risks.

\end{itemize}

DMARC Record

\begin{itemize}

\item A valid DMARC record is present with a strong enforcement policy: \texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmARC_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1}. The \texttt{p=reject} policy instructs receiving mail servers to reject messages that fail DMARC authentication, offering robust protection against phishing and brand impersonation. The \texttt{rua} tag ensures DMARC reports are sent to the organization for monitoring.

\end{itemize}

Conclusion: Apex Innovations demonstrates an excellent email security posture, with correctly configured SPF and DMARC records (using a reject policy), leveraging a reputable email service provider (Microsoft 365).

5. Port Scanning Results

Website / External IP (72.21.196.160)

\begin{itemize}

\item Port 80 (HTTP): Open

\item Port 443 (HTTPS): Open

\end{itemize}

These ports are typically open for a publicly accessible website, indicating that Apex Innovations is hosting web services on this IP address. The consistent results from both "port_scan_external_ip" and "port_scan_web" confirm that the external IP is directly associated with the website. While these ports are necessary for web presence, the security of the web server and application behind them is crucial.

6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

\hline

Authentication Security & \(\checkmark\) Strong & MFA is required for email, computer login, and sensitive data systems. \\

\hline

Email Security & \(\checkmark\) Strong & Comprehensive SPF and DMARC with a "reject" policy implemented, leveraging Microsoft 365. \\

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Network Exposure & \(\triangle\) Moderate & Ports 80 and 443 are open for web services. This is expected but requires vigilant security practices for the underlying web server and application. No other unnecessary ports appear to be open. \\

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Web Hosting & \(\triangle\) Acceptable & Web services are exposed via HTTP/HTTPS. The security posture depends on the hardening and patching of the web server and web application. \\

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Policy & \(\checkmark\) Comprehensive & Acceptable Use Policy is in place. \\
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Training & \(\checkmark\) Comprehensive & Regular security awareness training for al
l employees. \\
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\end{tabular}
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7. Recommendations

While Apex Innovations exhibits a strong cybersecurity foundation, continuous improv
ement is vital. We recommend the following:

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\item \textbf{Web Application Security:} Given that ports 80 and 443 are open, i
mplement a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to protect against common web exploits. Co
nduct regular web application vulnerability scanning and penetration testing. Ensure
web servers are hardened, patched regularly, and configured securely.

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\item \textbf{Verify DKIM:} Although SPF and DMARC are robustly configured, ensu
re DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also active for all sending email domains to
provide another layer of email authentication.

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\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan:} Develop, document, and regularly test a c
omprehensive cybersecurity incident response plan and disaster recovery procedures t
o ensure business continuity in the event of a breach.

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\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Assessments:} Conduct routine internal and e
xternal vulnerability assessments and penetration tests across the entire network in
frastructure, not just the web presence, to identify and remediate potential weaknes
ses.

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\item \textbf{Asset Inventory and Management:} Maintain a current, detailed inve
ntory of all hardware and software assets, and implement a robust patch management p
rogram to ensure all systems are up-to-date.

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\end{enumerate}
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8. Conclusion

Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable level of cybersecurity readiness, partic
ularly in critical areas such as multi-factor authentication, email security, and em
ployee training. The organization's proactive stance on DMARC enforcement (\texttt{p
=reject}) and comprehensive policy framework are significant strengths. While networ
k exposure for web services is a necessary aspect of doing business, continuous vigi
lance and proactive measures for web application security will further enhance their
overall cybersecurity posture. Maintaining these strong practices and addressing the
recommendations will ensure the organization remains resilient against evolving cybe
r threats.

Prepared by:

Cybersecurity Assessment Team

Date: October 14, 2025

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In [12]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
 export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample1_pdf_latex.html")

```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash\_sample1\_pdf\_latex.html

```

In [13]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "
 print(response.text)

```

# Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations  
## Date: October 14, 2025

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## 1. Overview

This report evaluates the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations based on provided technical scan data (DNS, port scanning) and answers to a security questionnaire. The assessment indicates a generally strong security posture with robust practices in place for authentication and email security, alongside necessary website accessibility.

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## 2. Organizational Information

- \* \*\*Organization Name:\*\* Apex Innovations
- \* \*\*Email Domain:\*\* apexinnovations.com
- \* \*\*Website Domain:\*\* www.apexinnovations.com
- \* \*\*External IP (Firewall):\*\* 72.21.196.160
- \* \*\*Website Hosting IP:\*\* 72.21.196.160

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## 3. Security Questionnaire Review

| Security Control                                                      | Status |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| MFA to access email?                                                  | ✓ Yes  |
| MFA to log into computers?                                            | ✓ Yes  |
| MFA to access sensitive data systems?                                 | ✓ Yes  |
| Employee acceptable use policy?                                       | ✓ Yes  |
| Security awareness training for new employees?                        | ✓ Yes  |
| Security awareness training for all employees at least once per year? | ✓ Yes  |

**Summary:** Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable commitment to fundamental cybersecurity practices. The mandatory use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems is a significant strength. The presence of an acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training for all employees, including new hires, indicates a proactive approach to user-related security risks.

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## 4. DNS & Email Security

- DNS Records for `apexinnovations.com`:**
- \* The domain's A record points to `72.21.196.160`, which is also identified as the external IP and the web server.
  - \* MX records point to `mx1.apexinnovations.com` and `mx2.apexinnovations.com`, indicating that Apex Innovations manages its own mail servers or a dedicated mail relay service.
  - \* The TXT record reveals an SPF configuration: `v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all`. This suggests that Apex Innovations utilizes Microsoft 365 for its email services, and the SPF record is correctly configured to authorize Microsoft's servers.



rvers for sending email on behalf of the domain.

**\*\*DMARC Record for `\_dmarc.apexinnovations.com`:\*\***  
\* A DMARC record is present: `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1`.  
\* The `p=reject` policy is a strong measure against email spoofing and phishing attempts, instructing receiving mail servers to reject emails that fail DMARC checks.  
\* The `rua` tag indicates that DMARC aggregate reports are being sent to `dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com`, which is crucial for monitoring and refining email authentication.  
\* The `fo=1` flag indicates that reporting should occur if any alignment check fails, providing detailed feedback.

**\*\*Conclusion:\*\*** Apex Innovations has implemented strong email security measures with a properly configured SPF record pointing to Microsoft 365 and a robust DMARC policy set to `reject`. This significantly mitigates the risk of email-based attacks like phishing and spoofing.

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## 5. Port Scanning Results

**\*\*External IP (`72.21.196.160`) / Firewall:\*\***  
\* Port 80 (HTTP) is open.  
\* Port 443 (HTTPS) is open.  
\* **\*\*Observation:\*\*** The external IP address, which is also associated with the website, reveals only standard web ports (HTTP and HTTPS) as open. This is expected for a publicly accessible website and suggests that the firewall is configured to allow only necessary traffic for web services. No other unnecessary ports appear to be exposed externally.



**\*\*Website (`www.apexinnovations.com`):\*\***  
\* Port 80 is open.  
\* Port 443 is open.  
\* **\*\*Observation:\*\*** Consistent with the external IP scan, the website is accessible via HTTP and HTTPS, which are the standard protocols for web browsing.

**\*\*Conclusion:\*\*** The external network perimeter appears to be well-secured, with only essential ports for web services exposed. This minimizes the attack surface available to external threats.

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## 6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

| Category                | Status   | Notes                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| -----                   |          |                                                                                                                                    |
| Authentication Security | ✔ Strong | Mandatory MFA for email, computer logins, and sensitive systems is excellent.                                                      |
| Email Security          | ✔ Strong | SPF and DMARC with a `reject` policy are effectively implemented, providing strong protection against email spoofing and phishing. |
| Network Exposure        | ✔ Secure | Only standard web ports (80, 443) are open o                                                                                       |

n the external IP, indicating good firewall configuration and minimal attack surface. |  
| Web Hosting |  Secure | Standard web ports are open, as expected for a functional website.  
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| Policy & Training |  Comprehensive | Acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training demonstrate a commitment to user education and adherence to security standards. |

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## ## 7. Recommendations

While Apex Innovations exhibits a strong cybersecurity posture, continuous improvement is key. The following recommendations can further enhance their readiness:

1. **\*\*DKIM Implementation:\*\*** Ensure that DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also configured and active for `apexinnovations.com`. While SPF and DMARC are in place, DKIM adds another layer of email authentication, further strengthening email security and preventing spoofing.
2. **\*\*Regular Vulnerability Scanning:\*\*** Implement a schedule for regular internal and external vulnerability scans of the external IP address and any other exposed infrastructure. This helps identify and remediate potential weaknesses proactively.
3. **\*\*Incident Response Plan:\*\*** Develop and document a comprehensive incident response plan. Regularly conduct tabletop exercises or simulations to test the plan's effectiveness and ensure staff are prepared to handle security incidents.
4. **\*\*Security Patch Management:\*\*** Maintain a robust patch management process for all systems, including servers hosting the website and any internal systems that might be indirectly exposed. Prompt patching of vulnerabilities is critical.

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## ## 8. Conclusion

Apex Innovations demonstrates a high level of cybersecurity readiness. The organization has successfully implemented critical security controls, including mandatory MFA, robust email authentication mechanisms (SPF and DMARC with a reject policy), and a clear security awareness program. The limited exposure of network services on the external perimeter further contributes to a strong security posture. By continuing to monitor security best practices and addressing the recommendations outlined above, Apex Innovations can maintain and enhance its cybersecurity resilience.

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Cybersecurity Assessment Team  
**\*\*Date:\*\*** October 14, 2025

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\title{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations}
\author{Cybersecurity Assessment Team}
\date{October 14, 2025}

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\section{Overview}
This report evaluates the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations based on provided technical scan data (DNS, port scanning) and answers to a security questionnaire. The assessment indicates a generally strong security posture with robust practices in place for authentication and email security, alongside necessary website accessibility.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
    \item \textbf{Organization Name:} Apex Innovations
    \item \textbf{Email Domain:} \href{mailto:apexinnovations.com}{apexinnovations.com}
    \item \textbf{Website Domain:} \href{https://www.apexinnovations.com}{www.apexinnovations.com}
    \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall):} 72.21.196.160
    \item \textbf{Website Hosting IP:} 72.21.196.160
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\
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MFA to access email? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
MFA to log into computers? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
MFA to access sensitive data systems? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
Employee acceptable use policy? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
Security awareness training for new employees? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
Security awareness training for all employees at least once per year? & \textcolor{green}{\checkmark} & Yes & \\
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\textbf{Summary:} Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable commitment to fundamental cybersecurity practices. The mandatory use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across email, computer logins, and sensitive data systems is a significant strength. The presence of an acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training for

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all employees, including new hires, indicates a proactive approach to user-related security risks.

\section{DNS & Email Security}

\subsection{DNS Records for \texttt{apexinnovations.com}}

\begin{itemize}

\item The domain's A record points to \texttt{72.21.196.160}, which is also identified as the external IP and the web server.

\item MX records point to \texttt{mx1.apexinnovations.com} and \texttt{mx2.apexinnovations.com}, indicating that Apex Innovations manages its own mail servers or a dedicated mail relay service.

\item The TXT record reveals an SPF configuration: \texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all}. This suggests that Apex Innovations utilizes Microsoft 365 for its email services, and the SPF record is correctly configured to authorize Microsoft's servers for sending email on behalf of the domain.

\end{itemize}

\subsection{DMARC Record for \texttt{_dmarc.apexinnovations.com}}

\begin{itemize}

\item A DMARC record is present: \texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1}.

\item The \texttt{p=reject} policy is a strong measure against email spoofing and phishing attempts, instructing receiving mail servers to reject emails that fail DMARC checks.

\item The \texttt{rua} tag indicates that DMARC aggregate reports are being sent to \texttt{dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com}, which is crucial for monitoring and refining email authentication.

\item The \texttt{fo=1} flag indicates that reporting should occur if any alignment check fails, providing detailed feedback.

\end{itemize}

\textbf{Conclusion:} Apex Innovations has implemented strong email security measures with a properly configured SPF record pointing to Microsoft 365 and a robust DMARC policy set to \texttt{reject}. This significantly mitigates the risk of email-based attacks like phishing and spoofing.

\section{Port Scanning Results}

\subsection{External IP (\texttt{72.21.196.160}) / Firewall:}

\begin{itemize}

\item Port 80 (HTTP) is open.

\item Port 443 (HTTPS) is open.

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\end{itemize}

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\item Port 80 is open.

\item Port 443 is open.

\item \textbf{Observation:} Consistent with the external IP scan, the website is accessible via HTTP and HTTPS, which are the standard protocols for web browsing.

\end{itemize}

\textbf{Conclusion:} The external network perimeter appears to be well-secured, with only essential ports for web services exposed. This minimizes the attack surface available to external threats.

\section{Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

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Authentication Security & \textcolor{green}{\textbf{Strong}} & Mandatory MFA for email, computer logins, and sensitive systems is excellent. \\

Email Security & \textcolor{green}{\textbf{Strong}} & SPF and DMARC with a \texttt{reject} policy are effectively implemented, providing strong protection against email spoofing and phishing. \\

Network Exposure & \textcolor{green}{\textbf{Secure}} & Only standard web ports (80, 443) are open on the external IP, indicating good firewall configuration and minimal attack surface. \\

Web Hosting & \textcolor{green}{\textbf{Secure}} & Standard web ports are open, as expected for a functional website. \\

Policy & Training & \textcolor{green}{\textbf{Comprehensive}} & Acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training demonstrate a commitment to user education and adherence to security standards. \\

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\end{tabular}

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\begin{enumerate}

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1. Overview







This report provides an assessment of the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc., based on a security questionnaire, DNS record analysis, and external network port scans. The findings reveal critical vulnerabilities across multiple domains, including network perimeter security, email authentication, user access controls, and security policy. These deficiencies place the organization at a high risk of significant cyber incidents, such as data breaches, ransomware attacks, and business email compromise.

2. Organizational Information

- Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.
- Email Domain: gasinc.net
- Website Domain: www.gasinc.net
- External IP: 104.28.1.189

3. Security Questionnaire Review

The self-reported answers highlight fundamental gaps in security policies and controls.

Security Control	Status
MFA for Email	 No
MFA for Computer Login	 No
MFA for Sensitive Systems	 Yes
Acceptable Use Policy	 No
New Employee Security Awareness Training	 No
Annual All-Employee Security Training	 No

Summary: The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer access is a critical weakness, making user accounts highly susceptible to compromise through phishing or password theft. The lack of an acceptable use policy and any security awareness training indicates a low level of security maturity and leaves employees unprepared to identify and respond to threats.

4. DNS & Email Security

Analysis of the organization's DNS records for gasinc.net reveals major gaps in email security.

- SPF Record: The organization has an SPF record (`v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`). However, it uses a "`~all`" (SoftFail) qualifier, which instructs mail servers to accept but mark potentially forged emails. This is a weak policy that does not prevent spoofed emails from reaching inboxes.
- DMARC Record: A query for a DMARC record resulted in `NXDOMAIN`, indicating that no DMARC policy exists for the gasinc.net domain.

Conclusion: Without a DMARC record and with a weak SPF policy, G.A.S. Inc. is highly vulnerable to email spoofing. Attackers can easily send malicious emails that appear to originate from the company's domain, targeting employees, customers, and partners in phishing and fraud campaigns.

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A port scan of the primary external IP address (104.28.1.189) revealed numerous open ports, exposing critical services directly to the internet.

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Conclusion: The network perimeter is dangerously exposed. Open RDP, FTP, and POP3 ports represent an immediate and critical risk. Exposing these services without the protection of a Virtual Private Network (VPN) or other access controls is a severe security misconfiguration.

#### 6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

Category	Status	Notes
Authentication	✗ Weak	No MFA for email or computers creates a high risk of account compromise.
Email Security	✗ Critical Risk	No DMARC and a weak SPF policy allow for trivial email spoofing.
Network Exposure	✗ Critical Risk	Direct exposure of RDP, FTP, and other services to the internet.
Policy & Training	✗ Weak	Absence of basic security policies and employee training.

#### 7. Recommendations

The following actions are recommended with the highest priority to address the identified critical risks:

- \*\*Harden the Network Perimeter Immediately\*\*:**
  - Close all unnecessary ports on the firewall, especially Port 3389 (RDP), Port 21 (FTP), and Port 110 (POP3).
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- \*\*Implement Mandatory Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)\*\*:**
  - Enforce MFA for all user access, starting with email accounts, computer logins, and all remote access systems.
- \*\*Strengthen Email Authentication\*\*:**
  - Update the SPF record to use a `-all` (HardFail) policy to prevent delivery of unauthorized email.
  - \* Deploy a DMARC record, starting with a monitoring policy (`p=none`) and progressing to a full rejection policy (`p=reject`).
- \*\*Establish a Security Program\*\*:**
  - Develop and implement a formal Acceptable Use Policy for all employees.
  - Institute mandatory cybersecurity awareness training for all new hires and conduct annual refresher training for all staff.

#### 8. Conclusion

G.A.S. Inc. currently has a critically deficient cybersecurity posture. The combination of an exposed network perimeter, inadequate email security, and weak authentication



ion controls creates an environment highly susceptible to a successful cyberattack. The organization must take immediate and decisive action to implement the recommendations in this report to protect its data, assets, and reputation.

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Acceptable Use Policy & \text{\Large\bfseries ✖} No \\
New Employee Security Awareness Training & \text{\Large\bfseries ✖} No \\
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#### 6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

**Summary:**

Category	Status	Notes
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Authentication & MFA	Weak	No MFA for email or computers created
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 \item Update the SPF record to use a \texttt{-all} (HardFail) policy to prevent delivery of unauthorized email.
 \item Deploy a DMARC record, starting with a monitoring policy (\texttt{p=noone}) and progressing to a full rejection policy (\texttt{p=reject}).
 \end{itemize}
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 \begin{itemize}
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Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.

Date: October 14, 2025

\section{1. Overview}

This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on DNS records (including DMARC), external port scanning, and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings indicate significant cybersecurity weaknesses across multiple critical areas, including user authentication, email security, network perimeter defense, and employee awareness. The organization faces a high risk of cyberattacks, data breaches, and system compromise due to these identified vulnerabilities.

\section{2. Organizational Information}

\begin{itemize}

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- \item \textbf{Website Domain:} www.gasinc.net
- \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall/Web Server):} 104.28.1.189
- \item \textbf{DNS Hosting:} Appears to be self-hosted (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net)

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\section{3. Security Questionnaire Review}

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\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

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MFA for Email & \faTimes \textbf{No} & Critical security gap, highly vulnerable to credential stuffing and phishing. \\

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MFA for Computer Login & \faTimes \textbf{No} & Critical security gap, increases risk of unauthorized access via compromised credentials. \\

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MFA for Sensitive Systems & \faCheck \textbf{Yes} & Positive, but limited in scope given other MFA gaps. \\

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Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) & \faTimes \textbf{No} & Lack of clear guidelines for employee behavior, increasing insider threat risk. \\

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New Employee Security Training & \faTimes \textbf{No} & New hires are not properly educated on security best practices, leading to early vulnerabilities. \\

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Annual All-Employee Security Training & \faTimes \textbf{No} & Employees are not regularly updated on evolving threats and security protocols. \\

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\subsection\*{Summary:}

The questionnaire responses reveal critical deficiencies in fundamental cybersecurity practices. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer logins, coupled with a complete lack of security policies (like an AUP) and employee security awareness training, exposes the organization to severe risks from phishing, credential theft, and human error. While MFA is used for sensitive data systems, its limited application undermines overall security posture.

## \section{4. DNS \& Email Security}

### \subsection\*{DNS Records:}

#### \begin{itemize}

\item DNS is managed by self-hosted nameservers (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net).

\item The primary A record for gasinc.net points to 104.28.1.189, confirming this IP as the public facing entry point.

#### \end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email):}

#### \begin{itemize}

\item The organization uses Mailhostbox for email services (mx.mailhostbox.com, mx2.mailhostbox.com).

\item \textbf{SPF Record:} A Sender Policy Framework (SPF) record is correctly configured: \texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all}. This helps prevent email spoofing by specifying authorized mail senders.

#### \end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record:}

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\item \textbf{No DMARC record found (\texttt{NXDOMAIN}).} This is a significant vulnerability. Without DMARC, email spoofing attempts using the \texttt{@gasinc.net} domain are not properly authenticated and can bypass recipient email filters. This leaves G.A.S. Inc. and its correspondents highly susceptible to phishing, business email compromise (BEC) attacks, and brand impersonation.

#### \end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{Conclusion:}

While SPF is in place, the absence of a DMARC record leaves the email domain highly vulnerable to sophisticated spoofing and phishing attacks. This is exacerbated by the lack of MFA for email access, creating a very weak email security posture.

## \section{5. Port Scanning Results}

The external IP address 104.28.1.189 serves as both the organization's external network perimeter (firewall) and hosts the website. This configuration inherently increases risk by consolidating critical services on a single, exposed entry point.

### \subsection\*{Website Hosting (104.28.1.189):}

#### \begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP): Open}

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS): Open}

#### \end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{Firewall / External IP (104.28.1.189):}

#### \begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP): Open} - Insecure protocol for file transfer, often susceptible to brute-force attacks and weak credentials.

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH): Open} - Secure shell, but requires stringent access controls, strong authentication, and regular patching to prevent compromise.

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP): Open} - Mail transfer protocol, could indicate an open relay or vulnerability if not properly secured.

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP): Open} - Standard for web traffic.

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3): Open} - Insecure email retrieval protocol, often transmits credentials in cleartext.

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS): Open} - Standard for secure web traffic.

\item \textbf{Port 3389 (RDP): Open} - Remote Desktop Protocol, a frequent target for brute-force attacks and credential theft, especially if not secured with MFA.

r restricted by IP.  
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\subsection\*{Conclusion:}

The external IP (104.28.1.189) has an unacceptably large number of open ports, exposing several high-risk services directly to the internet. The presence of FTP, POP3, and RDP on a publicly accessible IP significantly broadens the attack surface and poses a critical risk of unauthorized access, data compromise, and remote system control. This indicates a severe lack of network segmentation and perimeter hardening.

\section{6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

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Authentication Security & \faTimes \textbf{Weak} & MFA missing for email and computer logins; only applied to sensitive systems. \\

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Email Security & \faTimes \textbf{Weak} & No DMARC record, despite SPF presence. High risk of email spoofing. \\

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Network Exposure & \faTimes \textbf{Critical} & Numerous high-risk ports (FTP, SMTP, POP3, RDP) open on external IP. \\

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Web Hosting & \faTimes \textbf{Risky} & Website hosted directly on the main external IP, increasing its exposure to other services. \\

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Policy & Training & \faTimes \textbf{Non-existent} & No AUP, no security awareness training for new or existing employees. \\

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\section{7. Recommendations}

Urgent and comprehensive action is required to address the critical cybersecurity vulnerabilities at G.A.S. Inc.

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{Implement MFA Broadly:} Mandate Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for all email accounts, computer logins, and any other critical internal or external systems.

\item \textbf{Harden Network Perimeter:}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Close Unnecessary Ports:} Immediately close ports 21 (FTP), 25 (SMTP unless absolutely essential for a secure mail relay), 110 (POP3).

\item \textbf{Restrict Access:} For essential services like Port 22 (SSH) and Port 3389 (RDP), restrict access to specific trusted IP addresses or implement a VPN for access.

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\end{itemize}

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a policy of \texttt{p=quarantine} or \texttt{p=reject} to prevent unauthorized use of the \texttt{@gasinc.net} domain for spoofing and phishing.

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\item Develop policies for password management, data handling, incident response, and remote access.
\end{itemize}
\item \textbf{Implement Security Awareness Training:}
\begin{itemize}
\item Conduct mandatory security awareness training for all new employees during onboarding.
\item Implement annual security awareness training for all employees, covering topics like phishing, social engineering, password hygiene, and incident reporting.
\end{itemize}
\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Management:} Conduct regular external and internal vulnerability scans and penetration tests to identify and remediate security flaws proactively.
\end{enumerate}
```

## \section{8. Conclusion}

G.A.S. Inc. currently possesses an extremely weak cybersecurity posture with critical vulnerabilities in network exposure, a severe lack of fundamental authentication controls, and non-existent security policies and training programs. The organization is highly susceptible to various cyber threats, including data breaches, ransomware, phishing, and unauthorized system access. Immediate and comprehensive implementation of the recommended security measures is paramount to mitigate these risks and establish a foundational level of cybersecurity readiness. Failure to address these issues could lead to significant financial, operational, and reputational damage.

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Cybersecurity Assessment Team

Date: October 14, 2025

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```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash\_sample2\_pdf\_latex.html

```
In [19]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context2_text + "
 print(response.text)
```



1. Overview

This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of G.A.S. Inc. based on provided DNS, port scanning, and security questionnaire data. The findings indicate several critical areas requiring immediate attention to improve the organization's overall security posture.

2. Organizational Information

- \* Organization Name: G.A.S. Inc.
- \* Email Domain: gasinc.net
- \* Website Domain: www.gasinc.net
- \* External IP (Firewall): 104.28.1.189
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3. Security Questionnaire Review

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Acceptable Use Policy	<span>✗</span> No	Lack of policy increases the risk of misuse and non-compliance.
New Employee Security Training	<span>✗</span> No	New employees are onboarded without essential security awareness.
Annual All-Employee Training	<span>✗</span> No	No regular reinforcement of security best practices for all staff.

Summary: The organization demonstrates a significant lack of fundamental security practices, particularly concerning Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer logins, and a complete absence of acceptable use policies and security awareness training. While MFA is implemented for sensitive data systems, the lack of it for email and general computer access creates broad vulnerabilities.

4. DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- \* The `gasinc.net` domain is configured with A records pointing to `104.28.1.189`.
- \* MX records indicate email is handled by `mailhostbox.com` services.
- \* An SPF record is present: `v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`. This is a positive step towards preventing email spoofing.

DMARC Record

- \* The `\_dmarc.gasinc.net` DNS query returned `NXDOMAIN`. This means there is no DMARC record configured for the domain.

Conclusion: While basic SPF is in place, the absence of a DMARC record is a significant security gap. DMARC, in conjunction with SPF and DKIM, provides crucial protection against email phishing and spoofing. The lack of a DMARC record leaves the organization's email infrastructure vulnerable.

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6. Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary

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7. Recommendations

Given the critical vulnerabilities identified, the following recommendations are prioritized:

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  - Mandate MFA for all email accounts (``gasinc.net``).

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\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{geometry}
\geometry{a4paper, margin=1in}
\usepackage{enumitem}
\usepackage{hyperref}
```

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\title{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for G.A.S. Inc.}
\author{Cybersecurity Assessment Team}
```

\date{October 14, 2025}

\begin{document}

\maketitle

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\end{document}
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In [20]: generated_html = generate_html_from_markdown(response.text)
 export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample2_pdf_latex.html")
```

✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash\_lite\_sample2\_pdf\_latex.html

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In [42]: import py pandoc
```

```
def _extract_latex_content(text_content: str) -> str | None:
 """
 Internal helper to extract LaTeX content from raw text or a JSON block.
 """
 latex_content = ""
 try:
 # Check for code-fenced JSON structure first
 json_match = re.search(r'```json\s*(.*?)\s*```', text_content, re.DOTALL)
 if json_match:
 json_string = json_match.group(1).strip()
 try:
 data = json.loads(json_string)
 latex_content = data.get("text", "")
 except json.JSONDecodeError:
 print("Warning: JSON inside the code block is not valid. Treating e
 latex_content = text_content
 else:
 # Try to load the entire content as plain JSON
 try:
 data = json.loads(text_content)
 latex_content = data.get("text", "")
 except json.JSONDecodeError:
 # If neither works, treat the entire input as LaTeX text
 latex_content = text_content

 if not isinstance(latex_content, str):
 print(f"Error: LaTeX content is not a string, it's a {type(latex_content)}")
 return None

 return latex_content

 except Exception as e:
 print(f"An unexpected error occurred during content extraction: {e}")
 return None
```

```

def _wrap_html_shell(body_content: str, title: str = "LaTeX Export") -> str:
 """
 Internal helper to wrap HTML body content in a full document
 with KaTeX for math rendering.
 """
 return f"""
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
 <meta charset="UTF-8">
 <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
 <title>{title}</title>

 <!-- KaTeX CSS -->
 <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/katex.min.css">

 <!-- KaTeX JS -->
 <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/katex.min.js" xintegrity="sha384-8kMvwxgKyBgqNG2b+yKg7A5km1hcI+ukR6AJ7EU+mGP-10"></script>

 <!-- KaTeX Auto-render extension -->
 <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/contrib/auto-render.min.js" xintegrity="sha384-pvTso+flBV6JmIq83UC3s2I7BV8wP36U/tHOaie2zFbT20LpP9bI9z8Q-10"></script>

 <style>
 /* Base styles */
 body {{
 font-family: 'Noto Sans', 'Arial', sans-serif;
 line-height: 1.6;
 color: #333;
 max-width: 800px;
 margin: 2rem auto;
 padding: 0 1rem;
 }}
 h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6 {{
 color: #1a1a1a;
 margin-top: 1.5em;
 margin-bottom: 0.5em;
 }}
 p {{
 margin-bottom: 1em;
 }}
 pre {{
 background-color: #f4f4f4;
 padding: 1rem;
 border-radius: 4px;
 overflow-x: auto;
 border: 1px solid #ddd;
 font-family: monospace;
 }}
 code {{
 font-family: monospace;
 background-color: #f0f0f0;
 padding: 2px 4px;
 border-radius: 3px;
 }}
 ul, ol {{

```



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 padding-left: 2em;
 margin-bottom: 1em;
 }}
 li {{
 margin-bottom: 0.5em;
 }}

 /* KaTeX specific styling for display math */
 .katex-display {{
 overflow-x: auto;
 overflow-y: hidden;
 padding: 0.5em 0;
 }}

 /* Custom LaTeX styles */
 .table-wrapper {{
 margin: 1.5em 0;
 overflow-x: auto;
 }}
 table {{
 border-collapse: collapse;
 width: 100%;
 margin-bottom: 1.5rem;
 }}
 caption {{
 font-weight: bold;
 font-size: 1.1em;
 margin-bottom: 0.5em;
 text-align: left;
 }}
 th, td {{
 border: 1px solid #ddd;
 padding: 10px;
 text-align: left;
 vertical-align: top;
 }}
 th {{
 background-color: #e9ecef;
 font-weight: bold;
 }}
 .latex-url, .seqsplit {{
 word-break: break-all;
 }}
</style>
</head>
<body>
{body_content}

<!-- KaTeX auto-render script -->
<script>
 document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", function() {{
 renderMathInElement(document.body, {{
 delimiters: [
 {{left: "$$", right: "$$", display: true}},
 {{left: "$", right: "$", display: false}},
 {{left: "\\(", right: "\\)", display: false}},

```

```

 {{left: "\\[", right: "\\]", display: true}}
],
 throwOnError : false
 }));
 }));
</script>
</body>
</html>
"""

def generate_html_from_latex(text_content: str) -> str | None:
 """
 Extracts LaTeX content and converts it into a full, styled HTML string
 using pypandoc.

 This is the most robust method but requires:
 1. `pip install pypandoc`
 2. The Pandoc binary to be installed on the system:
 https://pandoc.org/installing.html

 Args:
 text_content (str): The raw text content (LaTeX or JSON-wrapped).

 Returns:
 str or None: The complete HTML string, or None if conversion fails.
 """

 latex_content = _extract_latex_content(text_content)
 if latex_content is None:
 return None

 if pypandoc is None:
 print("Error: pypandoc library is not imported. Cannot convert.")
 return None

 try:
 # Extract content only between \begin{document} and \end{document}
 # Pandoc is smart enough to handle the full document, but this
 # ensures we only get the body content if needed.
 body_match = re.search(r'\\begin\{document\}(.*?)\\end\{document\}', latex_content)
 if body_match:
 content_to_convert = body_match.group(1).strip()
 else:
 content_to_convert = latex_content

 # Use pandoc to convert.
 # --katex tells pandoc to format math for KaTeX.
 # --standalone would wrap it in a full HTML doc, but we want
 # to use our own shell to control the CSS and JS.
 html_output = pypandoc.convert_text(
 content_to_convert,
 'html',
 format='latex',
 extra_args=['--katex']
)

```

```

 # Pandoc will correctly handle \ding and other symbols.
 return _wrap_html_shell(html_output, "Pandoc LaTeX Export")

 except FileNotFoundError:
 print("="*50)
 print("ERROR: Pandoc executable not found.")
 print("Please install Pandoc from https://pandoc.org/installing.html")
 print("="*50)
 return None
 except Exception as e:
 print(f"An unexpected error occurred during Pandoc conversion: {e}")
 return None

```

```

In []: prompt_text = 'Prompt:\nGiven this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of

context1_text = 'Context:\n'
context2_text = 'Context:\n'
example_text = 'Example:\n' + prompt_text

filepaths = ["report_template/test_questionnaire.json", "report_template/test_port_
latex_file_path = "report_template/test_report.tex"

sample1_filepaths = ["report_sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json", "report_sample1/s
sample2_filepaths = ["report_sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json", "report_sample2/s

for file in filepaths:
 try:
 with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
 data = json.load(f)
 example_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

 except FileNotFoundError:
 f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
 except json.JSONDecodeError:
 f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
 except Exception as e:
 f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

with open(latex_file_path, 'r') as file:
 latex_content = file.read()
 example_text += latex_content

print("==== Example =====")
print(example_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample1_filepaths:
 try:
 with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
 data = json.load(f)
 context1_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

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```

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print("==== Sample 1 ====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context1_text)
print("====")

for file in sample2_filepaths:
 try:
 with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
 data = json.load(f)
 context2_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

 except FileNotFoundError:
 f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
 except json.JSONDecodeError:
 f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
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print("==== Sample 2 ====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context2_text)
print("====")

```

===== Example =====

Example:

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.template/test\_questionnaire.json:

```
{
 "text": {
 "Organization Name": "Valier School District",
 "Email Domain": "valier.k12.mt.us",
 "Website Domain": "www.valier.k12.mt.us",
 "External IP": "216.220.16.170",
 "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
 "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
 "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
 }
}
```

--  
template/test\_port\_scan\_external\_ip.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.220.16.170\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226\n-----\nno ports open\n"
}
```

--  
template/test\_port\_scan\_web.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.239.32.21\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open\n"
}
```

--  
template/test\_dns\_dig\_email.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 49113\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umn.edu. dns-request.umn.edu. 2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
}
```

--  
template/test\_dns\_dig\_email\_dmarc.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 45565\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.
```

```

valier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.valier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1;
p=reject; rua=mailto:dmARC@valier.k12.mt.us\"\\n;AUTHORITY\\n;ADDITIONAL\\n"
}
--
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage[letterpaper, margin=1in]{geometry}
\usepackage{amsmath, amssymb}
\usepackage{pifont} % For the checkmark symbol \ding{51}
\usepackage{booktabs} % For professional-looking tables
\usepackage{hyperref} % For links
\usepackage{fontawesome5}
\usepackage{setspace} % For line spacing
\usepackage{url} % Included and applied to domains
\usepackage{seqsplit} % Applied to long code/IP strings

\hypersetup{
 colorlinks=true,
 urlcolor=blue,
 linkcolor=black
}

\title{\textbf{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District}}
\author{Date: July 18, 2025}
\date{}

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\section{Overview}
This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of Valier School District based on t
echnical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security question
naire. The findings reflect a strong commitment to foundational cybersecurity practi
ces across user access, email protection, network exposure, and staff awareness.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Valier School District
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: valier.k12.mt.us
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.valier.k12.mt.us}
 \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall)}: 216.220.16.170
 \item \textbf{Website Hosting IPs}: \seqsplit{216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.
239.36.21, 216.239.38.21}
 \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameserver
s)
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
\begin{table}[h!]
\centering
\caption{Security Control Status}
\label{tab:security_controls}
\begin{tabular}{l c}
\toprule
\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} \\
\midrule

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MFA for Email & \ding{51} Yes \\\
MFA for Computer Login & \ding{51} Yes \\\
MFA for Sensitive Systems & \ding{51} Yes \\\
Acceptable Use Policy & \ding{51} Yes \\\
New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{51} Yes \\\
Annual All-Employee Security Training & \ding{51} Yes \\\
\bottomrule

\noindent \textbf{Summary}: The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, especially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.

## \section{DNS \& Email Security}

### \subsection\*{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item DNS is managed by the University of Montana (\url{cudess1.umd.edu}, \url{cudess2.umd.edu}), suggesting centralized and professionally administered DNS.

\item A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites hosting for web content).

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}

\begin{itemize}

\item The district uses Google Workspace (Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{aspmx.l.google.com}}} MX records.

\item \textbf{SPF record} is correctly configured: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:\url{spf.google.com} include:\url{mg.infinitecampus.org -all}}}. This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A valid DMARC record exists with a \textbf{reject policy}: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=\url{mailto:dmARC@valier.k12.mt.us}}}.

\item This instructs receiving servers to reject unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured correctly and follow best practices.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection\*{Website Hosting (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\end{itemize}

These ports are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Google-hosted services.

### \subsection\*{Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)}

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\begin{itemize}
 \item All scanned ports are \textbf{closed}.
\end{itemize}
This is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good firewall configuration. No externally exposed services were found on the organization's primary IP.

\section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}
\begin{table}[h!]
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\caption{Readiness Summary}
\label{tab:readiness_summary}
\begin{tabular}{l c l}
\toprule
\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\
\midrule
Authentication Security & Strong & MFA is required across key systems \\
Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place \\
Network Exposure & Secure & No exposed services on the external firewall IP \\
Web Hosting & Secure & Google-hosted; limited attack surface \\
Policy \& Training & Comprehensive & Acceptable use policies and regular training in place \\
\bottomrule
\end{tabular}
\end{table}

\section{Recommendations}
Although the cybersecurity readiness is solid, continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:
\begin{enumerate}
 \item \textbf{Verify DKIM}: While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure DKIM is also active for all sending domains.
 \item \textbf{Vulnerability Scanning}: Consider regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of network devices and servers.
 \item \textbf{Incident Response Plan}: Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan.
 \item \textbf{Asset Inventory}: Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardware/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes.
 \item \textbf{Third-party Risk}: Evaluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security posture, especially since they're included in SPF.
\end{enumerate}

\section{Conclusion}
Valier School District demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.

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\noindent Prepared by: \\
Cybersecurity Assessment Team\\
Date: July 18, 2025

\end{document}
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===== Sample 1 =====
Prompt:

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Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.

Context:

sample1/sample1\_questionnaire.json:

```
{
 "text": {
 "Organization Name": "Apex Innovations",
 "Email Domain": "apexinnovations.com",
 "Website Domain": "www.apexinnovations.com",
 "External IP": "72.21.196.160",
 "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
 "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
 "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
 }
}
```

--

sample1/sample1\_dns\_dig\_email\_dmarc.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 31890\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\""
}
```

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sample1/sample1\_dns\_dig\_email.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 52417\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\napexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN SOA ns1.apexinnovations.com. hostmaster.apexinnovations.com. 2025101401 21600 3600 604800 3600\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN A 72.21.196.160\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 10 mx1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\""
}
```

--

sample1/sample1\_port\_scan\_external\_ip.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:09:42.589112\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
```

--

sample1/sample1\_port\_scan\_web.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:08:15.223456\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
```

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===== Sample 2 =====

Prompt:

Given this DNS DIG, Port scan of the website, Port scan of the firewall, and the answers to the security questionnaire, write a report on the cybersecurity readiness of the organization. Output plain text plus TeX only.

Context:

sample2/sample2\_questionnaire.json:

```
{
 "text": {
 "Organization Name": "G.A.S. Inc.",
 "Email Domain": "gasinc.net",
 "Website Domain": "www.gasinc.net",
 "External IP": "104.28.1.189",
 "Do you require MFA to access email?": "No",
 "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "No",
 "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
 "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "No",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "No",
 "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "No"
 }
}
```

--  
sample2/sample2\_dns\_dig\_email\_dmarc.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 28911\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NXDOMAIN\nflags QR AA RD RA\nQUESTION\ngasinc.net. IN ANY\nAUTHORITY\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\nADDITIONAL"
}
```

--  
sample2/sample2\_dns\_dig\_email.json:

```
{
 "text": "id 47123\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\nQUESTION\ngasinc.net. IN ANY\nANSWER\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns1.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN NS dns2.gasinc.net.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN A 104.28.1.189\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 10 mx.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.mailhostbox.com.\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all\""
}
```

--  
sample2/sample2\_port\_scan\_external\_ip.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:16:11.890123\n-----\n\nPort 21 is open\nPort 22 is open\nPort 25 is open\nPort 80 is open\nPort 110 is open\nPort 443 is open\nPort 3389 is open"
}
```

--  
sample2/sample2\_port\_scan\_web.json:

```
{
 "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 104.28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:15:30.456789\n-----\n\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
```

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In [7]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===

LaTeX input, LaTeX output
response = proModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n" +
print(response.text)
```

```

\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage[letterpaper, margin=1in]{geometry}
\usepackage{amsmath, amssymb}
\usepackage{pifont} % For the checkmark symbol \ding{51}
\usepackage{booktabs} % For professional-looking tables
\usepackage{hyperref} % For links
\usepackage{fontawesome5}
\usepackage{setspace} % For line spacing
\usepackage{url} % Included and applied to domains
\usepackage{seqsplit} % Applied to long code/IP strings

\hypersetup{
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 urlcolor=blue,
 linkcolor=black
}

\title{\textbf{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Apex Innovations}}
\author{Date: October 14, 2025}
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\section{Overview}
This report provides a cybersecurity readiness assessment for Apex Innovations, based on a combination of a self-reported security questionnaire and external technical scans. The analysis reveals that Apex Innovations has implemented strong internal security controls, particularly regarding user authentication and email security. However, the organization's network architecture presents a potential risk by exposing its public-facing website on the same IP address as its primary external network interface.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Apex Innovations
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: apexinnovations.com
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall & Website)}: 72.21.196.160
 \item \textbf{Email Provider}: Microsoft 365 (inferred from SPF record)
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
\begin{table}[h!]
\centering
\caption{Security Control Status}
\label{tab:security_controls}
\begin{tabular}{l c}
\toprule
\textbf{Security Control} & \textbf{Status} \\
\midrule
MFA for Email & \ding{51} Yes \\
MFA for Computer Login & \ding{51} Yes \\
MFA for Sensitive Systems & \ding{51} Yes \\
Acceptable Use Policy & \ding{51} Yes
\end{tabular}
\end{table}

```

New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{51} Yes \\  
 Annual All-Employee Security Training & \ding{51} Yes \\  
 \bottomrule  
 \end{tabular}  
 \end{table}

\noindent \textbf{Summary}: Apex Innovations reports a strong commitment to security policies and user access controls. The universal requirement for Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) and consistent security awareness training significantly reduces risks associated with phishing and unauthorized access.

## \section{DNS \& Email Security}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}

\begin{itemize}

\item The organization's SPF record points to Microsoft's protection services: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all}}.

\item The hard fail flag (\texttt{-all}) is a security best practice that helps prevent email spoofing.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item An excellent DMARC record is in place with a \textbf{reject policy}: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1}}.

\item The \texttt{p=reject} policy provides the strongest level of protection against domain spoofing and phishing attacks by instructing recipient servers to reject unauthenticated emails.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: Email security is robustly configured. The combination of SPF and a restrictive DMARC policy demonstrates a mature approach to preventing email-based threats.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection\*{External Firewall / Website (72.21.196.160)}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\end{itemize}

\noindent The scans confirm that the external IP address provided, which represents the organization's network perimeter, is also hosting the public website. Only standard web ports are open, which limits the attack surface. However, co-locating a public web server on the primary firewall IP is not a recommended practice, as a compromise of the web server could potentially expose the internal network.

## \section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}

\begin{table}[h!]

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\caption{Readiness Summary}

\label{tab:readiness\_summary}

\begin{tabular}{l c l}

\toprule

\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\\

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\midrule
Authentication Security & Strong & Comprehensive MFA implementation reported. \\
Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place. \\
Network Exposure & Moderate Risk & Web server is exposed on the primary firewall IP. \\
\\
Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Strong policies and regular employee training. \\
\\
\bottomrule
\end{tabular}
\end{table}

\section{Recommendations}
While Apex Innovations has a solid security foundation, the following actions are recommended to further enhance its posture:
\begin{enumerate}
\item \textbf{Network Segregation}: Isolate the public-facing web server from the primary corporate network. This can be achieved by moving the website to a separate, dedicated IP address, placing it in a Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), or migrating to a third-party web hosting provider.
\item \textbf{Verify DKIM Implementation}: While SPF and DMARC are correctly configured, ensure that DKIM (DomainKeys Identified Mail) is also enabled and aligned for all outgoing email. DKIM is a critical component of the DMARC framework.
\item \textbf{Web Application Security}: Conduct regular vulnerability scans and penetration tests on the web server (\url{www.apexinnovations.com}) to identify and remediate potential application-level security flaws.
\item \textbf{Develop an Incident Response Plan}: If not already in place, create and regularly test a formal incident response plan to ensure the organization can respond effectively to a security breach.
\end{enumerate}

\section{Conclusion}
Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong and mature cybersecurity posture in its internal policies, user authentication, and email security. The organization has successfully implemented key controls to mitigate common cyber threats. The primary area for improvement lies in the network architecture. By segregating the public web server from the main network perimeter, Apex Innovations can significantly reduce its attack surface and further strengthen its overall security readiness.

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In [44]: generated_html = generate_html_from_latex(response.text)
 export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample1_latex_latex.html")

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✅ Successfully exported HTML: pro\_sample1\_latex\_latex.html

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In [13]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n"]
 print(response.text)

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\section{Overview}
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\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Apex Innovations
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: \url{apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{External IP}: \seqsplit{72.21.196.160}
 \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Self-hosted (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)
 \item \textbf{Email Provider}: Microsoft 365 (based on SPF records)
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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\end{tabular}
\end{table}

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New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{51} Yes \\  
Annual All-Employee Security Training & \ding{51} Yes \\  
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\end{tabular}  
\end{table}

\noindent \textbf{Summary}: Apex Innovations reports full implementation of crucial cyber hygiene practices, including Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across key access points and comprehensive security awareness training programs. This demonstrates a proactive and policy-driven approach to mitigating common user-centric risks.

## \section{DNS & Email Security}

### \subsection\*{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item DNS is self-hosted with authoritative nameservers \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{ns1.apexinnovations.com}}} and \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{ns2.apexinnovations.com}}}. This implies direct control over DNS management.

\item The A record for \url{apexinnovations.com} points to \seqsplit{72.21.196.160}, which is the organization's external IP address.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}

\begin{itemize}

\item MX records point to \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{mx1.apexinnovations.com}}} and \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{mx2.apexinnovations.com}}}. Combined with the SPF record, this indicates the use of Microsoft 365 (Exchange Online) for email services, where these hostnames typically resolve to Microsoft's mail servers.

\item \textbf{SPF record} is correctly configured: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:\url{spf.protection.outlook.com} -all}}. This record effectively defines authorized mail servers, significantly reducing email spoofing attempts.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A valid DMARC record is present with a strong \textbf{reject policy}: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=\url{mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com}; fo=1}}.

\item The `p=reject` policy instructs receiving mail servers to reject unauthenticated emails that fail SPF or DKIM checks, offering robust protection against phishing and email impersonation. Reporting is also configured.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: Apex Innovations has implemented robust DNS and email security measures, adhering to best practices with strong SPF and DMARC policies.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection\*{External IP / Website (72.21.196.160)}

The port scans of the external IP address \seqsplit{72.21.196.160}, which also hosts the website, revealed the following open ports:

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\end{itemize}

These ports are standard for a public-facing web server. The fact that only these es



sential web service ports are open indicates good perimeter hardening for the exposed IP address, minimizing the attack surface. There were no other unexpected or high-risk ports found to be open.

#### \section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}

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\caption{Readiness Summary}

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\begin{tabular}{l c l}

\toprule

\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

\midrule

Authentication Security & Strong & MFA is required across key systems \\

Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place; Microsoft 365 used \\

Network Exposure & Secure & Only essential web ports (80, 443) open on external IP \\

Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Acceptable use policies and regular training in place \\

DNS Management & Good & Self-managed DNS, but configuration follows best practices \\

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\end{tabular}

\end{table}

#### \section{Recommendations}

While Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong cybersecurity posture, continuous improvement is vital in the evolving threat landscape. We recommend the following:

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{DKIM Verification}: Confirm that DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is fully configured and active for all outbound emails sent via Microsoft 365. While SPF and DMARC are strong, DKIM adds another layer of authentication.

\item \textbf{DNS Security Best Practices}: Given self-hosted DNS, ensure DNS servers are regularly patched, securely configured (e.g., DNSSEC implementation, rate limiting), and protected against DDoS attacks.

\item \textbf{Web Application Security}: Implement regular web application vulnerability scanning and penetration testing for the website hosted on ports 80/443 to identify and remediate potential vulnerabilities within the application itself.

\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan}: Develop, document, and regularly test a comprehensive cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan to ensure preparedness for potential breaches.

\item \textbf{Cloud Security Monitoring}: For Microsoft 365, leverage advanced security features such as Advanced Threat Protection (ATP), Cloud App Security (MCAS), and regular audit log reviews to monitor for suspicious activities.

\end{enumerate}

#### \section{Conclusion}

Apex Innovations exhibits a commendable cybersecurity readiness, characterized by strong authentication protocols, robust email security, a well-hardened external network perimeter, and a strong commitment to employee training and policy enforcement. By addressing the recommendations for further enhancements, the organization can continue to strengthen its defenses against emerging cyber threats.

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\noindent Prepared by: \\

Cybersecurity Assessment Team\\

Date: October 14, 2025

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In [49]: generated_html = generate_html_from_latex(response.text)
 export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_sample1_latex_latex.html")
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✓ Successfully exported HTML: flash\_sample1\_latex\_latex.html

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In [15]: response = flashLiteModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "
 print(response.text)
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\section{Overview}
This report assesses the cybersecurity readiness of Apex Innovations based on provided DNS records, port scan results for their external IP and website, and responses to a security questionnaire. The analysis indicates a good foundational security posture, with particular strengths in user authentication and email protection.

\section{Organizational Information}
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 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Apex Innovations
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: \url{apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall)}: \seqsplit{72.21.196.160}
 \item \textbf{Website Hosting IPs}: \seqsplit{72.21.196.160}
 \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Managed by Apex Innovations (ns1.apexinnovations.com, ns2.apexinnovations.com)
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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MFA for Sensitive Data Systems & \ding{51} Yes \\
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\noindent \textbf{Summary}: Apex Innovations reports robust implementation of key security controls, including mandatory Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across critical access points and comprehensive security awareness training for all employees. This demonstrates a strong commitment to reducing human-factor risks and securing user credentials.

## \section{DNS & Email Security}

### \subsection{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item The organization manages its own DNS zones (\url{ns1.apexinnovations.com}, \url{ns2.apexinnovations.com}).

\item The main domain (\url{apexinnovations.com}) resolves to the provided external IP (\seqsplit{72.21.196.160}).

\item MX records point to \url{mx1.apexinnovations.com} and \url{mx2.apexinnovations.com}, indicating internal or dedicated mail servers.

\item The SPF record is configured as \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all}}, suggesting the use of Microsoft 365 for email services.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A DMARC record is present for \url{\_dmarc.apexinnovations.com} with a \textbf{reject policy}: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1}}.

\item This policy, combined with the SPF record, provides strong protection against email spoofing and phishing attempts by instructing receiving servers to reject unauthorized emails. The inclusion of \texttt{fo=1} means failure in SPF or DKIM will trigger reporting.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: DNS and email security measures, including SPF and a strict DMARC reject policy, are well-implemented, indicating a proactive stance against email-based threats.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection{Website Hosting (\seqsplit{72.21.196.160})}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\end{itemize}

These ports are standard for web servers and are expected to be open for a publicly accessible website. This suggests the website is configured for secure (HTTPS) and standard (HTTP) access.

### \subsection{Firewall / External IP (\seqsplit{72.21.196.160})}

\begin{itemize}

\item The port scan of the external IP (\seqsplit{72.21.196.160}) reported \textbf{only ports 80 and 443 as open}.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Analysis}: This indicates that while the website is accessible, the firewall is effectively blocking all other inbound traffic to the external IP address. This is a positive sign of perimeter security, minimizing the attack surface to only necessary services.

## \section{Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

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Authentication Security & Strong & MFA implemented for email, computers, and sensitive data. \\

Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place; likely using Microsoft 365. \\

Network Exposure & Secure & Firewall restricts access to only necessary web ports (80, 443). \\

Web Hosting & Standard & Standard web ports are open as expected. \\

Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Acceptable use policy and regular security awareness training are in place. \\

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## \section{Recommendations}

Apex Innovations has a solid cybersecurity foundation. To further enhance readiness, consider the following:

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{DKIM Implementation}: While SPF and DMARC are in place, ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also configured and aligned for comprehensive email authentication. This is crucial for a strict "reject" policy to be fully effective.

\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Scanning}: Implement routine internal and external vulnerability scans to proactively identify and remediate potential weaknesses in the network infrastructure and web applications.

\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan}: Develop or refine an incident response plan, including regular testing and tabletop exercises, to ensure preparedness for security incidents.

\item \textbf{Asset Management}: Maintain a detailed and up-to-date inventory of all IT assets to ensure proper security configurations and monitoring.

\item \textbf{Review Port 80 Security}: While port 80 is standard, ensure that all traffic is redirected to HTTPS (port 443) and that any HTTP-specific vulnerabilities are addressed.

\end{enumerate}

## \section{Conclusion}

Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable level of cybersecurity readiness. The organization has invested in critical security measures such as multi-factor authentication, robust email protection policies, and a well-configured network perimeter. By addressing the recommended enhancements, Apex Innovations can further strengthen its security posture against evolving cyber threats.

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\section{Overview}
This report provides a cybersecurity readiness assessment for G.A.S. Inc., based on publicly available technical data and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reveal critical vulnerabilities in network perimeter security, email authentication, and internal security policies. The organization's current posture presents a high risk of unauthorized access, data breach, and email-based attacks such as phishing and spoofing. Immediate remediation is strongly advised.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: G.A.S. Inc.
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: gasinc.net
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.gasinc.net}
 \item \textbf{External / Website IP}: 104.28.1.189
 \item \textbf{Email Hosting}: MailHostBox (\url{mx.mailhostbox.com})
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\noindent \textbf{Summary}: The organization lacks fundamental security controls. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer access creates a significant risk of account compromise. Furthermore, the lack of an acceptable use policy and any form of security awareness training indicates a deficient security culture, leaving the organization vulnerable to human error and social engineering attacks.

## \section{DNS & Email Security}

### \subsection\*{SPF Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item The organization has an SPF record: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all}}.

\item The \texttt{~all} (SoftFail) mechanism instructs receiving servers to accept and mark, but not reject, emails from unauthorized sources. This significantly weakens its effectiveness against domain spoofing.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A DNS query for the DMARC record (\seqsplit{\texttt{\\_dmarc.gasinc.net}}) returned \texttt{NXDOMAIN}, confirming that \textbf{no DMARC record exists}.

\item This is a critical security gap, as it leaves the domain highly susceptible to being impersonated in phishing and spoofing attacks. There is no policy to instruct receiving mail servers on how to handle unauthenticated email.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: Email security is poor. The weak SPF policy and complete absence of DMARC provide inadequate protection against email-based threats.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection\*{Firewall / External IP (104.28.1.189)}

A port scan of the primary external IP address revealed numerous open ports, indicating a severely misconfigured and insecure network perimeter.

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP)}: \textbf{Open}. FTP is an unencrypted protocol. Exposing it to the internet risks credential theft and unauthorized file access.

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH)}: \textbf{Open}. While secure, exposing SSH directly to the internet makes it a target for brute-force attacks.

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP)}: \textbf{Open}. This is unexpected, as the organization's email is hosted externally. This could be an open mail relay, a serious security risk.

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP) & 443 (HTTPS)}: \textbf{Open}. These are expected for hosting a public website.

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3)}: \textbf{Open}. POP3 is an unencrypted email protocol, posing a risk of password interception.

\item \textbf{Port 3389 (RDP)}: \textbf{Open}. Exposing Remote Desktop Protocol directly to the internet is extremely dangerous and a primary vector for ransomware attacks.



\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: The network perimeter is critically exposed. The presence of multiple open ports for unencrypted and high-risk services creates a large and easily exploitable attack surface.

## \section{Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\\

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Authentication Security & Weak & No MFA for email or computers. \\\

Email Security & Weak & No DMARC and a weak SPF "SoftFail" policy. \\\

Network Exposure & \textbf{Critical Risk} & RDP, FTP, and other insecure ports are exposed. \\\

Web Hosting & High Risk & Hosted on a server with many vulnerable services. \\\

Policy & Training & Non-Existent & No AUP or security awareness training reported. \\\

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\end{tabular}

\end{table}

## \section{Recommendations}

The following actions are recommended to address the identified critical risks. Items are listed in order of priority.

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{Secure the Network Perimeter (Immediate Priority)}:

\begin{itemize}

\item Close all unnecessary ports on the firewall, especially \textbf{21 (FTP)}, \textbf{110 (POP3)}, and \textbf{3389 (RDP)}.

\item If remote access is required, implement a Virtual Private Network (VPN) and close ports 22 (SSH) and 3389 (RDP) to the public internet.

\item Disable and replace unencrypted protocols like FTP and POP3 with secure alternatives (e.g., SFTP, IMAPS).

\end{itemize}

\item \textbf{Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)}:

\begin{itemize}

\item Immediately enforce MFA for all user accounts, starting with email, remote access (VPN), and administrative accounts.

\end{itemize}

\item \textbf{Strengthen Email Security}:

\begin{itemize}

\item Implement a DMARC record, starting with a monitoring policy (\texttt{p=none}) and progressing to a quarantine or reject policy (\texttt{p=reject}).

\item Modify the SPF record to use a "HardFail" mechanism (\texttt{-all}) instead of "SoftFail" (\texttt{~all}).

\end{itemize}

\item \textbf{Establish Security Policies and Training}:

\begin{itemize}

\item Develop and enforce an employee Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).

\item Implement a mandatory security awareness training program for all employees upon hiring and at least annually thereafter.

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\end{itemize}
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\section{Conclusion}
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G.A.S. Inc. currently has a very low level of cybersecurity readiness. The combination of an exposed network perimeter, weak authentication controls, and inadequate email security places the organization at an extremely high risk of a significant cyber attack. The lack of security policies and training further exacerbates this risk. The recommendations outlined in this report should be implemented with urgency to mitigate these critical vulnerabilities and establish a basic security foundation.

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\section{Overview}
This report assesses the cybersecurity posture of G.A.S. Inc. based on an analysis of DNS records, email security configurations (SPF, DMARC), external port scans, and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reveal significant vulnerabilities across network perimeter security, email protection, user authentication, and organizational policies and training, indicating a low level of cybersecurity readiness.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: G.A.S. Inc.
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: \url{gasinc.net}
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.gasinc.net}
 \item \textbf{External IP}: \seqsplit{104.28.1.189}
 \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Self-hosted (\url{dns1.gasinc.net}, \url{dns2.gasinc.net}), resolving to the organization's external IP.
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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MFA for Sensitive Systems & \ding{51} Yes \\
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New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{55} No \\  
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\noindent \textbf{Summary}: G.A.S. Inc. exhibits significant gaps in fundamental security practices. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) is largely absent for common access points like email and computer logins, which are prime targets for attackers. The complete lack of an Acceptable Use Policy and any form of security awareness training leaves the organization highly vulnerable to social engineering and internal threats.

## \section{DNS & Email Security}

### \subsection\*{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item DNS for \url{gasinc.net} is self-hosted on \url{dns1.gasinc.net} and \url{dns2.gasinc.net}, both of which resolve to the organization's primary external IP (\seqsplit{104.28.1.189}). This single point of failure configuration for DNS, alongside other services, increases risk.

\item The A record for \url{gasinc.net} points to \seqsplit{104.28.1.189}.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}

\begin{itemize}

\item Email services are hosted externally by Mailhostbox (\seqsplit{\texttt{\url{mx.mailhostbox.com}}}).

\item \textbf{SPF record} is present: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:\url{spf.mailhostbox.com} ~all}}. While present, the `~all` mechanism indicates a "SoftFail" policy, which is less secure than a "Fail" (`-all`) policy for preventing email spoofing.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A DMARC record for \url{\_dmarc.gasinc.net} was \textbf{not found} (NXDOMAIN).

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: The absence of a DMARC record is a critical vulnerability. Without DMARC, G.A.S. Inc.'s email domain is highly susceptible to spoofing attacks, which can be used for phishing against employees, customers, or partners. The "SoftFail" SPF policy further weakens email-based defenses.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

### \subsection\*{External IP / Firewall (\seqsplit{104.28.1.189})}

This single external IP appears to serve as the organization's primary internet gateway, firewall, and host for various critical services.

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP)}: Open (\faExclamationTriangle) --- FTP is an insecure protocol that transmits credentials and data in plain text. Its exposure is a high-risk vulnerability.

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH)}: Open (\faExclamationTriangle) --- SSH provides secure remote access but requires stringent security measures (e.g., strong, key-based

authentication, IP whitelisting, MFA) to prevent unauthorized access.

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP)}: Open (\faExclamationTriangle) --- While essential for mail servers, its presence on the organization's primary IP suggests an internal mail relay or outgoing SMTP server. Given external MX records, its direct exposure warrants careful review to prevent abuse.

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open (\faCheck) --- Expected for web services.

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3)}: Open (\faExclamationTriangle) --- POP3 is an insecure protocol that transmits credentials in plain text. Its exposure is a high-risk vulnerability. Secure alternatives like POP3S or IMAPS should be used.

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open (\faCheck) --- Expected for secure web services.

\item \textbf{Port 3389 (RDP)}: Open (\faSkullCrossbones) --- Direct exposure of Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) to the internet is a \textbf{critical security risk}. RDP is frequently targeted by attackers for initial access and ransomware deployment. This must be secured immediately, ideally placed behind a VPN with MFA or restricted by IP.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: The organization's external IP presents a dangerously wide attack surface. Critical, high-risk services like FTP, POP3, and especially RDP are directly exposed to the internet. This configuration makes G.A.S. Inc. extremely vulnerable to brute-force attacks, credential theft, and exploitation of service vulnerabilities.

## \section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}

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Authentication Security & \faExclamationTriangle\ Weak & Significant gaps in MFA for email and computers. \\

Email Security & \faSkullCrossbones\ Critical & Missing DMARC, 'SoftFail' SPF; high spoofing risk. \\

Network Exposure & \faSkullCrossbones\ Critical & Multiple high-risk ports (RDP, FTP, POP3) directly exposed. \\

Web Hosting & \faExclamationTriangle\ Moderate & Standard ports, but hosted on the main external IP alongside other services. \\

Policy \& Training & \faSkullCrossbones\ Critical & Complete absence of AUP and security training. \\

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\end{tabular}

\end{table}

## \section{Recommendations}

G.A.S. Inc. requires immediate and comprehensive cybersecurity improvements across multiple domains.

### \subsection\*{Immediate Action (Critical Risks)}

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{Secure RDP (Port 3389)}: Immediately close or restrict direct internet access to Port 3389 (RDP). Implement a secure remote access solution, such as a VPN gateway with Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA), through which all RDP connections

s must be made.

- \item \textbf{Close Insecure Ports}: Close Port 21 (FTP) and Port 110 (POP3). If file transfer is needed, implement SFTP/FTPS with strong authentication. For email access, enforce the use of secure protocols like IMAPS (Port 993) or POP3S (Port 995).

- \item \textbf{Implement DMARC}: Deploy a DMARC record for \url{gasinc.net} with at least a \code{p=quarantine} policy. Monitor DMARC reports to identify legitimate sending sources and eventually transition to a \code{p=reject} policy to prevent email spoofing effectively.

\end{enumerate}

#### \subsection\*{User Access & Authentication}

\begin{enumerate}

- \item \textbf{MFA for Email}: Implement mandatory MFA for all email accounts to prevent unauthorized access even if passwords are compromised.

- \item \textbf{MFA for Computer Logins}: Introduce MFA for user and administrator logins to company computers and servers.

- \item \textbf{Strengthen SSH Security}: For Port 22 (SSH), implement strong, key-based authentication, disable password authentication, enforce IP whitelisting, and consider rate-limiting failed login attempts.

\end{enumerate}

#### \subsection\*{Email Security Enhancements}

\begin{enumerate}

- \item \textbf{Strengthen SPF}: Change the SPF record from \code{~all} (SoftFail) to \code{-all} (Fail) once confident that all legitimate sending sources are included, providing stronger protection against spoofing.

- \item \textbf{Implement DKIM}: Ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is properly configured for all outbound email to further enhance email authenticity.

\end{enumerate}

#### \subsection\*{Policies & Training}

\begin{enumerate}

- \item \textbf{Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)}: Develop and enforce a clear AUP that outlines acceptable and unacceptable use of company IT resources.

- \item \textbf{Security Awareness Training}:

- \begin{itemize}

- \li>\item Implement mandatory security awareness training for all new employees during onboarding.

- \li>\item Conduct annual mandatory security awareness training for all employees, covering topics such as phishing, password hygiene, social engineering, and incident reporting.

- \end{itemize}

\end{enumerate}

#### \subsection\*{Infrastructure & General Security}

\begin{enumerate}

- \item \textbf{DNS Review}: Evaluate migrating DNS services to a dedicated, resilient, and professionally managed external provider to enhance availability and security, separating it from the primary external IP.

- \item \textbf{Firewall Audit}: Conduct a comprehensive audit of firewall rules and network configurations to ensure only essential services are exposed and proper segmentation is in place.

- \item \textbf{Patch Management}: Implement a robust patch management program for all operating systems, applications, and network devices, especially those exposed to the internet.

\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan}: Develop, document, and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan.

\item \textbf{Strong Password Policy}: Enforce a strong password policy requiring complexity, length, and regular changes, complementing MFA.

\end{enumerate}

\section{Conclusion}

G.A.S. Inc. currently faces a high level of cybersecurity risk due to critical vulnerabilities in network exposure, email security, user authentication, and a complete lack of foundational security policies and training. Addressing the critical risks, particularly the exposed RDP port and missing DMARC, should be the immediate priority. A systematic implementation of the recommended security controls and practices is essential to significantly improve the organization's cybersecurity readiness and protect against potential breaches.

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\midrule
MFA for Email & \ding{55} No \\
MFA for Computer Login & \ding{55} No \\
MFA for Sensitive Systems & \ding{51} Yes \\
Acceptable Use Policy & \ding{55} No \\
New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{55} No \\
Annual All-Employee Security Training & \ding{55} No \\
\bottomrule

```


\end{tabular}
\end{table}

\noindent \textbf{Summary}: The responses indicate significant gaps in foundational cybersecurity practices. The absence of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for email and computer logins, coupled with no acceptable use policy and a lack of security awareness training for any employees, presents substantial risks. While MFA is used for sensitive data systems, the overall user access security is weak.

\section{DNS & Email Security}

\subsection{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item The organization's domain (\url{gasinc.net}) has A records pointing to \seqsplit{104.28.1.189}, which is also identified as the external IP.

\item Mail is handled by \texttt{mailhostbox.com} services, indicated by MX records.

\item \textbf{SPF record} is configured as \seqsplit{\texttt{"v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all"}} . This is a positive step to help prevent email spoofing.

\end{itemize}

\subsection{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A DMARC lookup for \url{_dmarc.gasinc.net} returned \texttt{NXDOMAIN}. This means no DMARC record is published.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: While basic SPF is in place for email authentication, the absence of a DMARC record leaves the email domain vulnerable to spoofing and phishing attacks. This is a critical gap in email security.

\section{Port Scanning Results}

\subsection{Website Hosting (\url{www.gasinc.net} / \seqsplit{104.28.1.189})}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\end{itemize}

These ports are standard for a web server and are expected to be open for a publicly accessible website.

\subsection{External IP / Firewall (\seqsplit{104.28.1.189})}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 3389 (RDP)}: Open

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Analysis}: The extensive list of open ports on the external IP address (which appears to be the firewall or a directly exposed server) is a significant security concern. Services like FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, and RDP are often targets for attackers. Without proper access controls, monitoring, and security hardening on the

hese services, they represent a broad attack surface.

```
\section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}
\begin{table}[h!]
\centering
\caption{Readiness Summary}
\label{tab:readiness_summary}
\begin{tabular}{l c l}
\toprule
\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\
\midrule
Authentication Security & Weak & No MFA for email/computers; no AUP. \\
Email Security & Moderate & SPF present, but DMARC missing. \\
Network Exposure & High Risk & Numerous open ports on external IP. \\
Policy \& Training & Non-existent & No AUP, no security training. \\
Sensitive Data Access & Moderate & MFA for sensitive systems is good, but user accounts are not secured. \\
\bottomrule
\end{tabular}
\end{table}
```

```
\section{Recommendations}
Based on the assessment, G.A.S. Inc. has significant cybersecurity vulnerabilities that require immediate attention. The following recommendations are prioritized:
```

```
\begin{enumerate}
\item \textbf{Implement MFA Everywhere}: Mandate MFA for all access to email, computer logins, and any other applicable systems. This is the single most effective control against account compromise.
\item \textbf{Establish Security Policies}: Develop and implement an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) that clearly outlines user responsibilities regarding IT system usage and data security.
\item \textbf{Conduct Security Awareness Training}: Implement mandatory security awareness training for all employees, both for new hires and annually. This should cover common threats like phishing, social engineering, and password security.
\item \textbf{Secure External Services}:
\begin{itemize}
\item \textbf{Firewall Configuration Review}: Conduct a thorough review of the firewall configuration. Close all unnecessary open ports. Only allow access to essential services and restrict access to trusted IP addresses where possible.
\item \textbf{Service Hardening}: Ensure all open services (FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, RDP) are hardened according to best practices. This includes strong password policies, disabling anonymous access, and secure configuration. Consider disabling services like FTP and POP3 if not strictly required.
\item \textbf{RDP Access}: If RDP is required, ensure it is not directly exposed to the internet. Use a VPN or a secure gateway.
\end{itemize}
\item \textbf{Implement DMARC}: Publish a DMARC record for \url{gasinc.net} with a protective policy (e.g., \texttt{p=quarantine} or \texttt{p=reject}) to further enhance email security and protect against spoofing.
\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Scanning}: Implement regular internal and external vulnerability scans to identify and address potential weaknesses proactively.
\item \textbf{Logging and Monitoring}: Enable comprehensive logging for all critical systems and the firewall, and establish a process for regular review and incident detection.
\end{enumerate}
```

```

\section{Conclusion}
G.A.S. Inc. is currently in a low state of cybersecurity readiness, with critical gaps in user authentication, policy, training, and external network security. The numerous open ports on the external IP represent a high-risk exposure. Addressing these recommendations, especially the implementation of MFA and securing external services, is crucial to mitigate significant cybersecurity threats.

\vspace{1cm}
\noindent Prepared by: \\
Cybersecurity Assessment Team\\
Date: October 14, 2025

\end{document}
`

```

```

In [48]: generated_html = generate_html_from_latex(response.text)
         export_html_to_files(generated_html, "flash_lite_sample2_latex_latex.html")

```

✅ Successfully exported HTML: flash_lite_sample2_latex_latex.html

Summary

Qualitative Analysis: Score 1-3 from least to greatest.

Input	Output	2.5 Pro	2.5 Flash	2.5 Flash Lite
Markdown	Markdown	1	1	2
Markdown	JSON	3	3	1
PDF	Markdown	2	2	1
PDF	JSON	3	3	2
PDF	LaTeX	3	1	1
LaTeX	LaTeX	3	3	3

Notes:

Markdown/Markdown:

- Pro Markdown Markdown: Sample 1 did not generate the cybersecurity team at the end. Headers were not easy to read as the font size was similar to the other paragraph text. Sample 2 had some text not indented into separate newlines.
- Flash Markdown Markdown: Sample 1 had more text not properly moved into separate newlines. Headers were also not easy to read. Table text was center aligned and harder to read at a glance. Sample 2 had similar issues.
- Flash Lite Markdown Markdown: Sample 1 had text not properly moved into separate newlines and bullet-pointed lists not rendering due to the newline issue. Though, the

tables were left-aligned and easier to understand than the Flash model's output. Sample 2 in particular had better results than the Flash and maybe even the Pro model.

- Overall, did not perform as consistent as I would have liked. Markdown being used as both the input and output lead to inconsistencies in the styling.

Markdown/JSON:

- Pro Markdown JSON: For the bare bone minimum text per header, JSON works quite effectively. The Pro model in particular was able to hit home all of the points. It would only lose points on styling, as with this method, the styling would be handed over to frontend rather than being handled by the backend (which, if communicated effectively, would not be an issue).
- Flash Markdown JSON: Similar to the Pro model, the JSON output works effectively to generate only the headers of information we provide.
- Flash Lite Markdown JSON: For some reason, Sample 1 was able to generate the emojis. However, it also generated some of the Markdown text which was not expected. Lost points on mixing up the output formatting.
- Overall, performed as consistent as I expected- the Pro and Flash models in particular. If we choose to have the frontend capture most of the formatting of the PDF, then we will be able to use the JSON output.

PDF/Markdown:

- Pro PDF Markdown: Sample 1 was not able to move some of the text properly into separate newlines, leading to breaks in the bullet-pointed formatting. Similarly, Sample 2 had breaks in the numbered list for Recommendations. However, it was able to come up with creative emojis and formatted the tables in a way that was easy to understand at a glance.
- Flash PDF Markdown: Sample 1 also had some breaks in the bullet-pointed format. Sample 2 however, had more tables and was easy-to-read at a glance. Both had emojis like the Pro model's output but limited to checks and x's.
- Flash Lite PDF Markdown: Sample 1 did not have a proper header for the report and most of the paragraphs were not indented correctly into new, bullet-pointed lines. Sample 2 however, was able to generate successfully without any errors in the response. The only potential issue was lack of emoji's to simplify information and have it easier to see at a glance.
- Overall, the PDF input was able to get more context to the model as compared to the Markdown/Markdown reports, but the Markdown output was still leading to inconsistencies in the styling.

PDF/JSON:

- Pro PDF JSON: Best of the three models due to its extensive information, even putting the potential risk for Sample 1. Sample 2 had capital letters with URGENT on the recommendations which was extremely helpful.

- Flash PDF JSON: Included strange spacing in the beginning for a couple of the string values trying to mimic the bullet-pointed format. Not sure if we like those.
- Flash Lite PDF JSON: Not the best but still performed well compared to other input/output tests.
- Overall, the PDF input and JSON output performed the highest compared to all other report types. The PDF input provided enough context to the model and JSON has the most consistent output. Similar with the other JSON output, if we choose to have the JSON output we have to have frontend capture most if not all of the formatting for the PDF. We will go with the Flash as the free tier rate limits are much lower and easier to manage than the Pro.

PDF/LaTeX

- Pro PDF LaTeX: Really good. Pretty much exactly what we want aside from the repeat/broken LaTeX at the bottom.
- Flash PDF LaTeX: The LaTeX broke, probably due to PDF input or something. In Sample 2 it looks like half Tex and half Markdown.
- Flash Lite LaTeX: Didn't generate as well as I hoped.
- Overall, the LaTeX output has potential to be the best option. It is able to still generate the emojis while having a structure, unline Markdown and JSON. Perhaps changing the input type also to LaTeX and having a template will have the best results.

LaTeX/LaTeX

- Pro LaTeX LaTeX: Has all the information and generated pretty well. A couple things were in-line tex and inline doesn't allow for spaces so it looks a little weird.
- Flash LaTeX LaTeX: Also has all the information.
- Flash Lite LaTeX LaTeX: Some of the text was short and minimal.
- Overall, the processing from LaTeX to HTML to view it was the hardest part. Pretty much all the information was there and very consistent between generations. Best way thus far for getting consistent results.

Prompt Engineering

Previous research has proven that the LaTeX input and LaTeX output had the most potential for consistent results. Now we will finesse the process with prompt engineering to further ensure the LaTeX report generates as consistent as possible.

We will only be using the Pro and Flash models, as the Flash Lite did not perform as well.

```
In [50]: import os
import google.generativeai as genai
from dotenv import load_dotenv, find_dotenv

load_dotenv(find_dotenv())
```

```
genai.configure(api_key=os.environ["GEMINI_API_KEY"])
model = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-pro')
```

```
In [51]: def export_html_to_files(full_html_content, html_output_filename="output.html"):
        """
        Takes the generated HTML string and performs the file export to HTML

        Args:
            full_html_content (str): The HTML content generated by generate_html_from_m
            html_output_filename (str): The path to save the intermediate HTML file.
        """
        if not full_html_content:
            print("Export failed: HTML content is empty or None.")
            return

        try:
            with open(html_output_filename, "w", encoding="utf-8") as f:
                f.write(full_html_content)
            print(f"✅ Successfully exported HTML: {html_output_filename}")

        except Exception as e:
            print(f"❌ An unexpected error occurred during file export: {e}")
```

```
In [52]: proModel = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-pro')
        flashModel = genai.GenerativeModel('gemini-2.5-flash')
```

```
In [53]: import py pandoc

def _extract_latex_content(text_content: str) -> str | None:
    """
    Internal helper to extract LaTeX content from raw text or a JSON block.
    """
    latex_content = ""
    try:
        # Check for code-fenced JSON structure first
        json_match = re.search(r'```json\s*(.*?)\s*```', text_content, re.DOTALL)
        if json_match:
            json_string = json_match.group(1).strip()
            try:
                data = json.loads(json_string)
                latex_content = data.get("text", "")
            except json.JSONDecodeError:
                print("Warning: JSON inside the code block is not valid. Treating e
                latex_content = text_content
        else:
            # Try to load the entire content as plain JSON
            try:
                data = json.loads(text_content)
                latex_content = data.get("text", "")
            except json.JSONDecodeError:
                # If neither works, treat the entire input as LaTeX text
                latex_content = text_content

    if not isinstance(latex_content, str):
```

```

        print(f"Error: LaTeX content is not a string, it's a {type(latex_content)}")
        return None

    return latex_content

except Exception as e:
    print(f"An unexpected error occurred during content extraction: {e}")
    return None

def _wrap_html_shell(body_content: str, title: str = "LaTeX Export") -> str:
    """
    Internal helper to wrap HTML body content in a full document
    with KaTeX for math rendering.
    """
    return f"""
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>{title}</title>

  <!-- KaTeX CSS -->
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/katex.min.css">

  <!-- KaTeX JS -->
  <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/katex.min.js" x-integrity="sha384-+k+uQ++bbO3ehhPvv6BIV9uPje75f/pnTlJdptSzsa1O7h2JCN4fK9pYI7qVCoOp"></script>

  <!-- KaTeX Auto-render extension -->
  <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/katex@0.16.9/dist/contrib/auto-render.min.js" x-integrity="sha384-pvTso+flBV6JmIAd8r/2KEqI90yG47sVxHjP2S4x1bk9IA/wL6rJE0087ItxQy4JQ88E5Rgq+QpX+pwrw"></script>

  <style>
    /* Base styles */
    body {
      font-family: 'Noto Sans', 'Arial', sans-serif;
      line-height: 1.6;
      color: #333;
      max-width: 800px;
      margin: 2rem auto;
      padding: 0 1rem;
    }
    h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6 {
      color: #1a1a1a;
      margin-top: 1.5em;
      margin-bottom: 0.5em;
    }
    p {
      margin-bottom: 1em;
    }
    pre {
      background-color: #f4f4f4;
      padding: 1rem;
      border-radius: 4px;
      overflow-x: auto;
      border: 1px solid #ddd;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  {body_content}
</body>
</html>
    """
```

```

        font-family: monospace;
    }}
    code {{
        font-family: monospace;
        background-color: #f0f0f0;
        padding: 2px 4px;
        border-radius: 3px;
    }}
    ul, ol {{
        padding-left: 2em;
        margin-bottom: 1em;
    }}
    li {{
        margin-bottom: 0.5em;
    }}

    /* KaTeX specific styling for display math */
    .katex-display {{
        overflow-x: auto;
        overflow-y: hidden;
        padding: 0.5em 0;
    }}

    /* Custom LaTeX styles */
    .table-wrapper {{
        margin: 1.5em 0;
        overflow-x: auto;
    }}
    table {{
        border-collapse: collapse;
        width: 100%;
        margin-bottom: 1.5rem;
    }}
    caption {{
        font-weight: bold;
        font-size: 1.1em;
        margin-bottom: 0.5em;
        text-align: left;
    }}
    th, td {{
        border: 1px solid #ddd;
        padding: 10px;
        text-align: left;
        vertical-align: top;
    }}
    th {{
        background-color: #e9ecef;
        font-weight: bold;
    }}
    .latex-url, .seqsplit {{
        word-break: break-all;
    }}
</style>
</head>
<body>
{body_content}

```



```

<!-- KaTeX auto-render script -->
<script>
    document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", function() {{
        renderMathInElement(document.body, {{
            delimiters: [
                {{left: "$$", right: "$$", display: true}},
                {{left: "$", right: "$", display: false}},
                {{left: "\\(", right: "\\)", display: false}},
                {{left: "\\[", right: "\\]", display: true}}
            ],
            throwOnError : false
        }});
    }});
</script>
</body>
</html>
"""

def generate_html_from_latex(text_content: str) -> str | None:
    """
    Extracts LaTeX content and converts it into a full, styled HTML string
    using py pandoc.

    This is the most robust method but requires:
    1. `pip install py pandoc`
    2. The Pandoc binary to be installed on the system:
        https://pandoc.org/installing.html

    Args:
        text_content (str): The raw text content (LaTeX or JSON-wrapped).

    Returns:
        str or None: The complete HTML string, or None if conversion fails.
    """

    latex_content = _extract_latex_content(text_content)
    if latex_content is None:
        return None

    if py pandoc is None:
        print("Error: py pandoc library is not imported. Cannot convert.")
        return None

    try:
        # Extract content only between \begin{document} and \end{document}
        # Pandoc is smart enough to handle the full document, but this
        # ensures we only get the body content if needed.
        body_match = re.search(r'\\begin\\{document\\}(.*?)\\end\\{document\\}', latex_content)
        if body_match:
            content_to_convert = body_match.group(1).strip()
        else:
            content_to_convert = latex_content

        # Use pandoc to convert.
        # --katex tells pandoc to format math for KaTeX.

```

```

# --standalone would wrap it in a full HTML doc, but we want
# to use our own shell to control the CSS and JS.
html_output = py pandoc.convert_text(
    content_to_convert,
    'html',
    format='latex',
    extra_args=['--katex']
)

# Pandoc will correctly handle \ding and other symbols.
return _wrap_html_shell(html_output, "Pandoc LaTeX Export")

except FileNotFoundError:
    print("="*50)
    print("ERROR: Pandoc executable not found.")
    print("Please install Pandoc from https://pandoc.org/installing.html")
    print("="*50)
    return None
except Exception as e:
    print(f"An unexpected error occurred during Pandoc conversion: {e}")
    return None

```

In []: `import textwrap`

```

prompt_text = textwrap.dedent(r'''You are an expert-level Cybersecurity Analyst and
Your task is to receive a list of JSON objects containing raw technical data (dig o
You must analyze, correlate, and synthesize this data into a single, complete, and

Core Instructions:
1. Parse & Correlate: You must parse all JSON inputs. The data is fragmented, so yo
    - The structured JSON (questionnaire) provides the "Organization Name," "Email
    - The dig output for the domain (e.g., valier.k12.mt.us) provides the A records
    - The dig output for _dmarc provides the DMARC policy.
    - The port scan results must be matched to their respective IPs (the "External

2. Analyze & Synthesize: Do not just list the data. You must analyze it.
    - Synthesize the questionnaire answers (e.g., all "Yes" answers) into a summary
    - Analyze the technical records. For example, identify that p=reject is a stron
    - Extract the date from the port scan logs (e.t., 2025-07-18) and use it as the

3. Generate New Content: The report must include analytical sections that are not d
    - An "Overview" section.
    - A "Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary" table.
    - A "Recommendations" section (e.g., verify DKIM, create an incident response p
    - A "Conclusion" section.

4. Strict LaTeX Formatting:
    - The output MUST be a single, complete LaTeX document.
    - It must start with \documentclass[12pt]{article} and end with \end{document}.
    - It MUST include the following packages in the preamble: geometry, pifont, boo
    - Use booktabs (\toprule, \midrule, \bottomrule) for all tables.
    - Use \ding{51} Yes for "Yes" answers in the questionnaire table.
    - Use \seqsplit{\texttt{...}} for long technical strings (IP lists, DMARC/SPF r
    - Use \url{...} for all domains and email addresses.

''')

```

```

context1_text = 'Context:\n'
context2_text = 'Context:\n'
example_text = 'Example Task:\nFollow the structure, formatting, and analytical sty

filepaths = ["report_template/test_questionnaire.json", "report_template/test_port_
latex_file_path = "report_template/test_report.tex"

sample1_filepaths = ["report_sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json", "report_sample1/s
sample2_filepaths = ["report_sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json", "report_sample2/s

for file in filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            example_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

with open(latex_file_path, 'r') as file:
    latex_content = file.read()
    example_text += latex_content

print("===== Example =====")
print(example_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample1_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context1_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("===== Sample 1 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context1_text)
print("=====")

for file in sample2_filepaths:
    try:
        with open(file, 'r', encoding='utf-8') as f:
            data = json.load(f)
            context2_text += f"{file}:\n{json.dumps(data,indent=2)}\n--\n"

    except FileNotFoundError:

```

```
        f"[ERROR] File not found at path: {file}"
    except json.JSONDecodeError:
        f"[ERROR] Failed to decode JSON from file: {file}. Please check the file's
    except Exception as e:
        f"[ERROR] An unexpected error occurred: {e}"

print("===== Sample 2 =====")
print(prompt_text)
print(context2_text)
print("=====")
```

===== Example =====

Example Task:

Follow the structure, formatting, and analytical style of this example precisely. template/test_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Valier School District",
    "Email Domain": "valier.k12.mt.us",
    "Website Domain": "www.valier.k12.mt.us",
    "External IP": "216.220.16.170",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
```

--
template/test_port_scan_external_ip.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.220.16.170\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:12:17.055226\n-----\nno ports open\n"
}
```

--
template/test_port_scan_web.json:

```
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 216.239.32.21\nScanning started at:2025-07-18 22:09:34.408091\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open\n"
}
```

--
template/test_dns_dig_email.json:

```
{
  "text": "id 49113\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN SOA cudess1.umn.edu. dns-request.umn.edu. 2024030501 21600 900 1209600 86400\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS ens-o1.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess2.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN NS cudess1.umn.edu.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.38.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.32.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.34.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN A 216.239.36.21\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 1 aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx2.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 10 aspmx3.googlemail.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt1.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN MX 5 alt2.aspmx1.google.com.\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:mg.infinitecampus.org -all\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
}
```

--
template/test_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:

```
{
  "text": "id 45565\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\nvalier.k12.mt.us. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\nvalier.k12.mt.us. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1;p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc@valier.k12.mt.us\"\n;AUTHORITY\n;ADDITIONAL\n"
}
```

```

}
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\usepackage{fontawesome5}
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\usepackage{seqsplit} % Applied to long code/IP strings

\hypersetup{
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    urlcolor=blue,
    linkcolor=black
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\title{\textbf{Cybersecurity Readiness Report for Valier School District}}
\author{Date: July 18, 2025}
\date{}

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\section{Overview}
This report evaluates the cybersecurity posture of Valier School District based on technical scans (DNS, DMARC, and port scanning) and a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings reflect a strong commitment to foundational cybersecurity practices across user access, email protection, network exposure, and staff awareness.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
    \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Valier School District
    \item \textbf{Email Domain}: valier.k12.mt.us
    \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.valier.k12.mt.us}
    \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall)}: 216.220.16.170
    \item \textbf{Website Hosting IPs}: \seqsplit{216.239.32.21, 216.239.34.21, 216.239.36.21, 216.239.38.21}
    \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Managed by University of Montana (umt.edu nameservers)
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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New Employee Security Awareness Training & \ding{51}	Yes	\
Annual All-Employee Security Training & \ding{51}	Yes	\

Summary: The district reports complete implementation of basic cyber hygiene practices, especially user authentication (Multi-Factor Authentication) and routine training. This indicates a proactive and policy-driven approach to risk mitigation.

DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- DNS is managed by the University of Montana (cudess1.umat.edu), suggesting centralized and professionally administered DNS.
- A records point to IPs within Google's network (likely Google Sites hosting for web content).

MX Records (Email)

- The district uses Google Workspace (Gmail) for email, as shown by multiple `aspmx.l.google.com` MX records.
- `SPF record` is correctly configured: `v=spf1 include:_spf.google.com include:_mg.infinitecampus.org -all`. This helps mitigate spoofing by defining authorized mail senders.

DMARC Record

- A valid DMARC record exists with a `reject policy`: `v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=_mailto:dmARC@valier.k12.mt.us`.
- This instructs receiving servers to reject unauthenticated mail, providing strong protection against phishing.

Conclusion: DNS and email protections (SPF, DMARC, and hosting security) are configured correctly and follow best practices.

Port Scanning Results

Website Hosting (Google IP: 216.239.32.21)

- `Port 80 (HTTP)`: Open
- `Port 443 (HTTPS)`: Open

These ports are expected for a publicly accessible website and are typical for Google-hosted services.

Firewall / External IP (216.220.16.170)

- All scanned ports are `closed`.

\end{itemize}

This is a strong sign of network perimeter hardening and good firewall configuration. No externally exposed services were found on the organization's primary IP.

\section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}

\begin{table}[h!]

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\caption{Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\

\midrule

Authentication Security & Strong & MFA is required across key systems \\

Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place \\

Network Exposure & Secure & No exposed services on the external firewall IP \\

Web Hosting & Secure & Google-hosted; limited attack surface \\

Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Acceptable use policies and regular training in place \\

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\end{tabular}

\end{table}

\section{Recommendations}

Although the cybersecurity readiness is solid, continuous improvement is essential. We recommend the following:

\begin{enumerate}

\item \textbf{Verify DKIM}: While SPF and DMARC are configured, ensure DKIM is also active for all sending domains.

\item \textbf{Vulnerability Scanning}: Consider regular internal and external vulnerability assessments of network devices and servers.

\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan}: Document and regularly test a cybersecurity incident response and disaster recovery plan.

\item \textbf{Asset Inventory}: Maintain a regularly updated inventory of hardware/software assets and monitor for unauthorized changes.

\item \textbf{Third-party Risk}: Evaluate vendors (e.g., Infinite Campus) for their security posture, especially since they're included in SPF.

\end{enumerate}

\section{Conclusion}

Valier School District demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation, particularly in authentication, email protection, staff training, and perimeter security. Continued vigilance and regular audits will help maintain and improve this strong security posture.

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\noindent Prepared by: \\

Cybersecurity Assessment Team\\

Date: July 18, 2025

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===== Sample 1 =====

You are an expert-level Cybersecurity Analyst and LaTeX Report Generator.

Your task is to receive a list of JSON objects containing raw technical data (dig outputs, port scans) and a questionnaire.

You must analyze, correlate, and synthesize this data into a single, complete, and professional LaTeX report.

Core Instructions:

1. Parse & Correlate: You must parse all JSON inputs. The data is fragmented, so you must correlate it:

- The structured JSON (questionnaire) provides the "Organization Name," "Email Domain," and primary "External IP."
- The dig output for the domain (e.g., valier.k12.mt.us) provides the A records (Website Hosting IPs), NS records (DNS Hosters), MX records (Email Provider), and TXT record (SPF).
- The dig output for _dmarc provides the DMARC policy.
- The port scan results must be matched to their respective IPs (the "External IP" from the questionnaire vs. the "Website Hosting IPs" from the A records).

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- Synthesize the questionnaire answers (e.g., all "Yes" answers) into a summary table and a brief analytical text.
- Analyze the technical records. For example, identify that p=reject is a strong DMARC policy, that aspmx.l.google.com means Google Workspace is the email provider, and that "no ports open" on the firewall is a secure configuration.
- Extract the date from the port scan logs (e.g., 2025-07-18) and use it as the report date.

3. Generate New Content: The report must include analytical sections that are not directly in the JSON. You will generate these based on your analysis of the data and cybersecurity best practices:

- An "Overview" section.
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- A "Recommendations" section (e.g., verify DKIM, create an incident response plan).
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- Use \url{...} for all domains and email addresses.

Context:

sample1/sample1_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "Apex Innovations",
    "Email Domain": "apexinnovations.com",
    "Website Domain": "www.apexinnovations.com",
    "External IP": "72.21.196.160",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "Yes",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "Yes",
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    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "Yes"
  }
}
--
sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:
{
  "text": "id 31890\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\n_dmarc.apexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=mailto:dmarc_reports@apexinnovations.com; fo=1\""
}
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sample1/sample1_dns_dig_email.json:
{
  "text": "id 52417\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NOERROR\nflags QR RD RA\n;QUESTION\napexinnovations.com. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN SOA ns1.apexinnovations.com. hostmaster.apexinnovations.com. 2025101401 21600 3600 604800 3600\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN NS ns2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN A 72.21.196.160\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 10 mx1.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN MX 20 mx2.apexinnovations.com.\napexinnovations.com. 3600 IN TXT \"v=spf1 include:spf.protection.outlook.com -all\""
}
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sample1/sample1_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:09:42.589112\n-----\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
--
sample1/sample1_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "-----\nScanning Target: 72.21.196.160\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:08:15.223456\n-----\n-----\nPort 80 is open\nPort 443 is open"
}
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record (SPF).

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- Synthesize the questionnaire answers (e.g., all "Yes" answers) into a summary table and a brief analytical text.
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- Use booktabs (\toprule, \midrule, \bottomrule) for all tables.
- Use \ding{51} Yes for "Yes" answers in the questionnaire table.
- Use \seqsplit{\texttt{...}} for long technical strings (IP lists, DMARC/SPF records, MX records) to ensure they wrap correctly.
- Use \url{...} for all domains and email addresses.

Context:

sample2/sample2_questionnaire.json:

```
{
  "text": {
    "Organization Name": "G.A.S. Inc.",
    "Email Domain": "gasinc.net",
    "Website Domain": "www.gasinc.net",
    "External IP": "104.28.1.189",
    "Do you require MFA to access email?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to log into computers?": "No",
    "Do you require MFA to access sensitive data systems?": "Yes",
    "Does your organization have an employee acceptable use policy?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for new employees?": "No",
    "Does your organization do security awareness training for all employees at least once per year?": "No"
  }
}
```

sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email_dmarc.json:

```
{
  "text": "id 28911\nopcode QUERY\nrcode NXDOMAIN\nflags QR AA RD RA\nQUESTION\n_dmarc
```

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arc.gasinc.net. IN ANY\n;AUTHORITY\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmas
ter.gasinc.net. 2025101402 14400 3600 604800 3600\n;ADDITIONAL"
}
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sample2/sample2_dns_dig_email.json:
{
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net. IN ANY\n;ANSWER\ngasinc.net. 3600 IN SOA dns1.gasinc.net. hostmaster.gasinc.ne
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sample2/sample2_port_scan_external_ip.json:
{
  "text": "--\nScanning Target: 104.
28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:16:11.890123\n-----
\nPort 21 is open\nPort 22 is open\nPort 25 is open\nPort 8
0 is open\nPort 110 is open\nPort 443 is open\nPort 3389 is open"
}
--
sample2/sample2_port_scan_web.json:
{
  "text": "--\nScanning Target: 104.
28.1.189\nScanning started at: 2025-10-14 14:15:30.456789\n-----
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}
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In [58]: # === SAMPLE 1 ===

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\section{Overview}
This report provides a cybersecurity assessment for Apex Innovations, based on a combination of self-reported information from a security questionnaire and external technical reconnaissance, including DNS record analysis and network port scanning. The analysis indicates strong internal policies and user access controls, coupled with robust email security configurations. However, the external network perimeter shows exposed web services on the primary IP address, presenting a notable attack surface.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Organization Name}: Apex Innovations
 \item \textbf{Email Domain}: \url{apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.apexinnovations.com}
 \item \textbf{External IP (Firewall \& Web Host)}: 72.21.196.160
 \item \textbf{Website Hosting IP}: 72.21.196.160
 \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Self-hosted (\url{ns1.apexinnovations.com}, \url{ns2.apexinnovations.com})
\end{itemize}

\section{Security Questionnaire Review}
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\noindent \textbf{Summary}: Apex Innovations reports a comprehensive implementation of foundational cybersecurity controls. The consistent enforcement of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across critical systems and a commitment to regular security awareness training demonstrate a mature approach to mitigating user-based risks like phishing and credential theft.

## \section{DNS \& Email Security}

\subsection\*{DNS Records}
 \begin{itemize}
 \item DNS appears to be self-hosted, as indicated by the nameserver records (\url{ns1.apexinnovations.com}).
 \item The A record for the primary domain points directly to the organization's main external IP address.
 \end{itemize}

\subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}
 \begin{itemize}
 \item The organization's MX records (\seqsplit{\texttt{\url{mx1.apexinnovations.com}}}, \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{mx2.apexinnovations.com}}}) suggest a self-hosted or on-premise email server infrastructure.
 \item \textbf{SPF record} is configured to authorize Microsoft 365 as a sender: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:\url{spf.protection.outlook.com} -all}}. The ``-all`` mechanism enforces a hard fail for unauthorized senders, which is a security best practice. The use of Microsoft 365 for sending, while MX records point elsewhere, suggests a hybrid setup or a potential configuration remnant that warrants review.
 \end{itemize}

\subsection\*{DMARC Record}
 \begin{itemize}
 \item A strong DMARC record is in place with a \textbf{reject policy}: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=\url{mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com}; fo=1}}.
 \item This configuration provides the highest level of protection against domain spoofing and phishing by instructing recipient servers to reject emails that fail DMARC authentication checks.
 \end{itemize}

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

\subsection\*{External IP / Web Host (72.21.196.160)}
 \begin{itemize}
 \item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open
 \item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open
 \end{itemize}
 \noindent \textbf{Analysis}: The primary external IP address for Apex Innovations is also serving as the public web host. While these ports are necessary for web traffic, their presence on the main organizational firewall IP increases the network's dir

ect exposure to web-based attacks. This configuration differs from a best-practice architecture where web services are isolated from the primary corporate network perimeter.

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Authentication Security & Strong & MFA is mandated across all key systems. \\
Email Security & Strong & SPF and a strict DMARC "reject" policy are in place. \\
Network Exposure & Review Required & Web services (HTTP/HTTPS) are exposed on the primary IP. \\
Web Hosting & Exposed & The web server is co-located on the main network perimeter. \\
Policy & Training & Comprehensive & Strong policies and regular employee training are reported. \\
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\end{tabular}
\end{table}
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## \section{Recommendations}

While Apex Innovations has many strong security controls, the following actions are recommended to further enhance their cyber resilience:

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\begin{enumerate}
\item \textbf{Review Email Infrastructure}: Clarify the discrepancy between self-hosted MX records and the Microsoft 365 SPF record to ensure the email architecture is configured as intended and that no legacy systems pose a risk.
\item \textbf{Implement Web Application Firewall (WAF)}: Since web services are publicly exposed, deploying a WAF can provide critical protection against common web application attacks, such as SQL injection and cross-site scripting.
\item \textbf{Network Segmentation}: Consider isolating the web server from the primary corporate network. Moving it to a separate, dedicated IP or a demilitarized zone (DMZ) would reduce the risk of a web server compromise affecting internal systems.
\item \textbf{Verify DKIM Implementation}: Although SPF and DMARC are correctly configured, ensure that DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also enabled and aligned to provide an additional layer of email authentication.
\item \textbf{Develop and Test an Incident Response Plan}: Formalize a plan that outlines procedures for detecting, responding to, and recovering from a cybersecurity incident. This plan should be tested regularly through tabletop exercises.
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\section{Conclusion}

Apex Innovations has established an excellent foundation in cybersecurity through robust user authentication policies, security training, and advanced email protection mechanisms like DMARC. The primary area for improvement lies in hardening the network perimeter by segmenting public-facing web services from the main corporate network. Addressing the recommendations in this report will significantly reduce the organization's attack surface and strengthen its overall security posture.

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Cybersecurity Assessment Team\\
Date: October 14, 2025
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In [59]: generated_html = generate_html_from_latex(response.text)
 export_html_to_files(generated_html, "pro_sample1_latex_latex_prompt_engineered_test.html")
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✓ Successfully exported HTML: pro\_sample1\_latex\_latex\_prompt\_engineered\_test.html

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In [60]: response = flashModel.generate_content(contents=[prompt_text, context1_text + "\n"]
 print(response.text)
```



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potential enhancement to ensure robust cyber resilience.

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\end{itemize}

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MFA for Sensitive Data Systems & \ding{51} Yes

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Employee Acceptable Use Policy & \ding{51} Yes \\  
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\end{tabular}  
\end{table}

\noindent \textbf{Summary}: Apex Innovations demonstrates a strong commitment to fundamental cybersecurity practices, with all reported controls indicating full implementation. This includes comprehensive Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) across critical access points and a robust security awareness training program for all employees. This proactive stance significantly enhances the organization's defense against common cyber threats.

## \section{DNS & Email Security}

### \subsection\*{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Nameservers (NS)}: Apex Innovations utilizes its own nameservers (\seqsplit{\texttt{\url{ns1.apexinnovations.com}}}) and \seqsplit{\texttt{\url{ns2.apexinnovations.com}}}). This implies direct control over DNS management, which requires careful security configuration.

\item \textbf{A Record}: The domain \url{apexinnovations.com} resolves to \seqsplit{\texttt{72.21.196.160}}, which is also identified as the organization's external IP address. This indicates that their primary website is hosted at this IP.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{MX Records (Email)}

\begin{itemize}

\item The Mail Exchange (MX) records point to \seqsplit{\texttt{mx1.apexinnovations.com}} and \seqsplit{\texttt{mx2.apexinnovations.com}}. Further analysis of the SPF record indicates the use of Microsoft Exchange Online (Outlook.com) for email services.

\item \textbf{SPF Record}: A valid SPF record is configured: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=spf1 include:\url{spf.protection.outlook.com} -all}}. The `include:spf.protection.outlook.com` correctly authorizes Microsoft's mail servers, and the `-all` mechanism ensures that mail from unauthorized senders is rejected, providing strong protection against email spoofing.

\end{itemize}

### \subsection\*{DMARC Record}

\begin{itemize}

\item A robust DMARC record is in place: \seqsplit{\texttt{v=DMARC1; p=reject; rua=\url{mailto:dmarc\_reports@apexinnovations.com}; fo=1}}.

\item The `p=reject` policy is a strong defense, instructing receiving mail servers to outright reject emails that fail DMARC authentication. This significantly mitigates the risk of phishing and impersonation attempts. The `rua` tag ensures aggregate reports are sent to the specified email address, allowing for monitoring and analysis of email authentication failures.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: Apex Innovations has implemented robust email security protocols, including SPF and a strong DMARC "reject" policy, which are crucial for preventing email spoofing and phishing attacks.

## \section{Port Scanning Results}

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\subsection*{External IP (72.21.196.160)}
\begin{itemize}
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 \item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open
\end{itemize}
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The port scans targeting \seqsplit{\texttt{72.21.196.160}} (identified as the external IP and website hosting IP) reveal that ports 80 (HTTP) and 443 (HTTPS) are open. These ports are standard and expected for a public-facing web server, indicating the presence of a website. It is critical to ensure that all web traffic defaults to HTTPS and that robust web application security measures are in place.

## \section{Risk Assessment \& Readiness Summary}

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\textbf{Category} & \textbf{Status} & \textbf{Notes} \\
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Authentication Security & Strong & MFA required across email, computer, and sensitive systems \\
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Email Security & Strong & SPF and DMARC with "reject" policy in place, utilizing Outlook.com \\
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Network Exposure & Moderate & Web server exposed (expected); regular hardening is key \\
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Web Hosting Security & Good & Standard web ports open; depends on web server hardening \\
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Policy \& Training & Comprehensive & Acceptable use policies and regular training established \\
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## \section{Recommendations}

While Apex Innovations demonstrates a commendable security posture, continuous improvement is vital in the evolving threat landscape. The following recommendations are provided to further enhance cybersecurity readiness:

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\item \textbf{Implement DKIM}: Although SPF and DMARC are robust, ensure DomainKeys Identified Mail (DKIM) is also fully configured and validated for all sending domains. DKIM provides an additional layer of email authentication, cryptographically signing outgoing emails.
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\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Scanning \& Penetration Testing}: Conduct regular vulnerability assessments and periodic penetration tests on the external IP (\seqsplit{\texttt{72.21.196.160}}) and internal network. This proactive approach helps identify and remediate weaknesses before they can be exploited.
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\item \textbf{Web Application Firewall (WAF)}: Given that the website is externally accessible, consider deploying a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to protect against common web-based attacks (e.g., SQL injection, XSS) and to provide an additional layer of security for the web server.
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\item \textbf{Incident Response Plan (IRP)}: Develop, document, and regularly test a comprehensive Incident Response Plan. This plan should detail procedures for identifying, containing, eradicating, recovering from, and learning from cybersecurity
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incidents.

\item \textbf{SSL/TLS Best Practices}: Ensure that the web server enforces strong SSL/TLS configurations, including the use of modern cipher suites, HSTS (HTTP Strict Transport Security), and regular certificate renewals to protect data in transit.

\item \textbf{DNS Security (DNSSEC)}: Consider implementing DNSSEC (Domain Name System Security Extensions) to protect the organization's DNS records from spoofing and manipulation, enhancing the integrity of domain lookups.

\end{enumerate}

\section{Conclusion}

Apex Innovations has established a strong foundation in cybersecurity, evidenced by its comprehensive MFA implementation, robust email authentication policies (SPF and DMARC with `p=reject`), and commitment to employee training. The organization's external network exposure is limited to essential web services, which is a positive indicator. By implementing the recommended enhancements, particularly in areas of web application security, continuous testing, and incident preparedness, Apex Innovations can further fortify its defenses and maintain a proactive stance against emerging cyber threats.

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\section{Overview}
This report provides a cybersecurity assessment for G.A.S. Inc., based on a combination of a self-reported questionnaire and external technical scans. The analysis reveals critical vulnerabilities in network perimeter security, email authentication, and internal security policies. The findings indicate a high-risk posture that requires immediate attention to mitigate significant threats such as unauthorized access, data breaches, and phishing attacks.

\section{Organizational Information}
\begin{itemize}
    \item \textbf{Organization Name}: G.A.S. Inc.
    \item \textbf{Email Domain}: \url{gasinc.net}
    \item \textbf{Website Domain}: \url{www.gasinc.net}
    \item \textbf{External IP / Web Host}: 104.28.1.189
    \item \textbf{DNS Hosting}: Self-hosted or privately managed (\url{dns1.gasinc.net}, \url{dns2.gasinc.net})
\end{itemize}

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Acceptable Use Policy & No \\
New Employee Security Awareness Training & No \\
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\noindent \textbf{Summary}: The organization reports significant gaps in foundationa
l cybersecurity policies and controls. The absence of mandatory Multi-Factor Authent
ication (MFA) for email and computer access, coupled with a lack of employee securit
y training and an acceptable use policy, creates a substantial risk of security inci
dents originating from compromised user credentials and lack of security awareness.

\section{DNS \& Email Security}

\subsection*{DNS Records}

\begin{itemize}

\item The domain's A record points to a single IP address, \texttt{104.28.1.18
9}, which serves as both the primary external IP and the web host.

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\subsection*{MX Records (Email)}

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\item The organization uses a third-party email provider, as indicated by the MX
records: \seqsplit{\texttt{mx.mailhostbox.com}} and \seqsplit{\texttt{mx2.mailhostbo
x.com}}.

\item \textbf{SPF record} is present but configured with a softfail: \seqsplit
{\texttt{v=spf1 include:spf.mailhostbox.com ~all}}. This configuration advises recei
ving servers to accept but mark potentially forged emails, which is less secure than
a hardfail (~all) policy.

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\subsection*{DMARC Record}

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\item \textbf{No DMARC record} was found for the \url{gasinc.net} domain.

\item The absence of a DMARC policy significantly weakens the organization's def
ense against email spoofing and phishing attacks, as there is no instruction for rec
ipient servers on how to handle fraudulent emails claiming to be from \url{gasinc.ne
t}.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: Email security is weak. The lack of a DMARC record an
d the use of a softfail SPF policy leave the organization highly susceptible to emai
l-based attacks.

\section{Port Scanning Results}

\subsection*{External IP / Web Host (104.28.1.189)}

A scan of the primary external IP address revealed numerous open ports, indicating m
ultiple services are directly exposed to the internet.

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3)}: Open

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This configuration represents a critical security risk. Exposing services like FTP, SSH, and RDP directly to the public internet dramatically increases the attack surface and makes the network a prime target for brute-force attacks and exploitation of potential vulnerabilities.

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Authentication Security & Weak & No MFA for email or computer logins \\\
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Email Security & High Risk & No DMARC record; weak SPF policy \\\
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Network Exposure & Critical & Multiple high-risk services exposed (RDP, SSH, FTP) \\\
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Web Hosting & At Risk & Hosted on the same IP as critical exposed services \\\
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Policy & Training & Deficient & Lacks AUP and security awareness training programs \\\
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\section{Recommendations}

Immediate action is required to address the identified critical vulnerabilities. We recommend prioritizing the following:

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\item \textbf{Harden Network Perimeter}: Immediately close all unnecessary ports on the external firewall (\texttt{104.28.1.189}). Access to services like RDP and SSH should be restricted to trusted IP addresses or, preferably, placed behind a VPN. FTP should be replaced with a secure alternative like SFTP.
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\item \textbf{Implement DMARC}: Deploy a DMARC record for the \url{gasinc.net} domain, starting with a monitoring policy (\texttt{p=none}) and progressing to a quarantine or reject policy (\texttt{p=reject}) to prevent domain spoofing.
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\item \textbf{Strengthen SPF Record}: Update the SPF record to use a hardfail mechanism (\texttt{-all}) instead of a softfail (\texttt{~all}) to instruct receiving mail servers to reject messages from unauthorized senders.
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\item \textbf{Enforce Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)}: Mandate MFA for all users for email access, remote access (VPN), and computer logins to protect against credential theft.
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\item \textbf{Develop and Implement Security Policies}: Establish a formal Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) and create a mandatory security awareness training program for all employees, to be conducted upon hiring and at least annually thereafter.
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\section{Conclusion}

G.A.S. Inc. currently exhibits a high-risk cybersecurity posture characterized by a severely exposed network perimeter, inadequate email security, and a lack of fundamental security policies and user training. The combination of these weaknesses creates a high probability of a successful cyberattack. The recommendations outlined in this report are critical and should be implemented without delay to build a foundational security program and protect the organization's assets and reputation.

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\section{Overview}
This report provides a cybersecurity posture assessment for G.A.S. Inc., based on an analysis of technical data including DNS records (A, MX, TXT, DMARC) and port scanning results, combined with responses from a self-reported security questionnaire. The findings indicate several critical areas of concern, particularly related to network exposure, email security hardening, and foundational internal security controls and policies.

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Summary: The questionnaire responses highlight significant gaps in foundational security practices. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) is only reported for sensitive data systems, leaving email and computer logins vulnerable to credential compromise. Furthermore, the absence of an acceptable use policy and any form of security awareness training indicates a lack of a formalized security culture and processes, increasing human-factor risk.

DNS & Email Security

DNS Records

- DNS for gasinc.net appears to be managed via nameservers hosted under the same domain (dns1.gasinc.net, dns2.gasinc.net). This configuration suggests either self-hosting of DNS or a default setup by a registrar.
- The A record for gasinc.net is 104.28.1.189, indicating that the primary server hosts the website and other services.

MX Records (Email)

- Email services for gasinc.net are hosted by Mailhostbox, as indicated by the MX records pointing to mx.mailhostbox.com and mx2.mailhostbox.com.
- SPF Record:** An SPF record is present: `v=spf1 include:_spf.mailhostbox.com ~all`. While the record exists, the `~all` (softfail) mechanism is less secure than `-all` (hardfail). A softfail allows emails from unauthorized senders to be delivered (though marked), potentially leading to successful phishing or spoofing attacks.

DMARC Record

- A query for _dmarc.gasinc.net returned an **NXDOMAIN** response, indicating that **no DMARC record is published** for the domain.
- Analysis:** The absence of a DMARC record is a critical security vulnerability. Without DMARC, G.A.S. Inc.'s email domain is highly susceptible to email spoofing, making it easier for attackers to send malicious emails impersonating the organization to employees, customers, or partners. This significantly increases the risk of phishing, business email compromise (BEC), and brand reputation damage.

Conclusion: While SPF is configured, its `~all` policy weakens its effectiveness, and the complete absence of a DMARC record leaves the organization highly vulnerable to email-based attacks.

Port Scanning Results

\subsection*{External / Website Hosting IP (\seqsplit{104.28.1.189})}

Port scans conducted on \seqsplit{104.28.1.189} revealed multiple open ports, indicating significant exposure of services to the public internet.

\begin{itemize}

\item \textbf{Port 21 (FTP)}: Open. File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is an insecure protocol that transmits credentials and data in plaintext, making it vulnerable to eavesdropping and credential theft.

\item \textbf{Port 22 (SSH)}: Open. Secure Shell (SSH) is used for secure remote access. While encrypted, if not properly secured with strong authentication (e.g., key-based, MFA) and restricted access, it can be a target for brute-force attacks.

\item \textbf{Port 25 (SMTP)}: Open. Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) is used for sending email. If not properly configured or secured, it can be abused for spam relay or targeted attacks.

\item \textbf{Port 80 (HTTP)}: Open. Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is used for web traffic. This is expected for a website, but traffic is unencrypted, making it susceptible to eavesdropping and data tampering.

\item \textbf{Port 110 (POP3)}: Open. Post Office Protocol version 3 (POP3) is used for retrieving email. Like FTP, POP3 often transmits credentials in plaintext, posing a significant security risk.

\item \textbf{Port 443 (HTTPS)}: Open. Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) is used for encrypted web traffic. This is expected and desirable for secure website access.

\item \textbf{Port 3389 (RDP)}: Open. Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) allows remote graphical access to a server. Exposing RDP directly to the internet is extremely risky, as it is a frequent target for brute-force attacks and ransomware deployments.

\end{itemize}

\noindent \textbf{Conclusion}: The presence of numerous open and critical service ports (FTP, SSH, SMTP, POP3, RDP) on the external IP represents a severe security risk. Each of these ports serves as a potential entry point for attackers, increasing the attack surface significantly. Unnecessary services should be closed, and necessary services should be tightly restricted and secured.

\section{Risk Assessment & Readiness Summary}

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Authentication Security & Weak & MFA primarily missing for email/computers \\

Email Security & Critical Gap & No DMARC, SPF is softfail; high spoofing risk \\

Network Exposure & High Risk & Multiple critical services exposed directly \\

Web Hosting & Moderate Risk & HTTP (80) open, but HTTPS (443) also available \\

Policy & Training & Weak & No AUP, no new/annual security training \\

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\end{table}

\noindent \textbf{Analysis}: G.A.S. Inc.'s current cybersecurity posture indicates a significant level of risk across multiple domains. The lack of comprehensive MFA, absence of DMARC, and extensive network exposure are immediate concerns that require urgent attention. Furthermore, the lack of internal security policies and training su

ggests a reactive, rather than proactive, approach to cybersecurity, increasing the likelihood of successful social engineering and insider threats.

\section{Recommendations}

Addressing the identified vulnerabilities and gaps is crucial to improving G.A.S. Inc.'s cybersecurity posture. The following recommendations are prioritized based on their potential impact:

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\item \textbf{Implement DMARC with a `p=reject` Policy}: Urgently publish a DMARC record for `\url{gasinc.net}` with a ``p=reject`` policy. This will provide strong protection against email spoofing and phishing attacks. Start with ``p=quarantine`` and transition to ``p=reject`` after monitoring DMARC reports.

\item \textbf{Strengthen SPF Policy}: Change the SPF record from ``~all`` (softfail) to ``-all`` (hardfail) after ensuring all legitimate sending sources are included. This will instruct receiving servers to reject emails from unauthorized sources.

\item \textbf{Close Unnecessary Open Ports}: Immediately review and close all unnecessary open ports on `\seqsplit{104.28.1.189}`. Specifically, FTP (21), POP3 (110), and RDP (3389) should almost certainly be closed to the internet. SSH (22) and SMTP (25) should be restricted to trusted source IPs or replaced with more secure alternatives where possible.

\item \textbf{Implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) Broadly}: Deploy and enforce MFA for all employee email accounts and computer logins. This significantly reduces the risk of account takeover, even if passwords are stolen.

\item \textbf{Develop and Enforce Security Policies}: Create and implement essential cybersecurity policies, including an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for all employees.

\item \textbf{Initiate Security Awareness Training}: Establish mandatory security awareness training for all new employees and annual refresher training for all staff. Training should cover topics such as phishing detection, password hygiene, and social engineering.

\item \textbf{Secure Remote Access}: If RDP (3389) is required, place it behind a VPN or a strong firewall with IP whitelisting. Consider alternative, more secure remote access solutions.

\item \textbf{Regular Vulnerability Scanning and Penetration Testing}: Conduct regular vulnerability scans of external and internal systems, followed by penetration tests, to proactively identify and address weaknesses.

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\section{Conclusion}

G.A.S. Inc. currently faces substantial cybersecurity risks due to multiple exposed services, critical email security vulnerabilities, and a lack of fundamental internal controls and training. Addressing the recommendations outlined in this report is paramount to mitigating these risks, protecting sensitive data, and safeguarding the organization's reputation. A proactive and systematic approach to cybersecurity improvement is strongly advised.

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## Summary

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