Introduction:

• The role of a Junior Security Analyst is critical in maintaining the security posture of an organization. This report provides an overview of the responsibilities of a Junior Security Analyst, the functions of a Security Operations Centre (SOC), and a typical day in the life of a Junior Security Analyst.

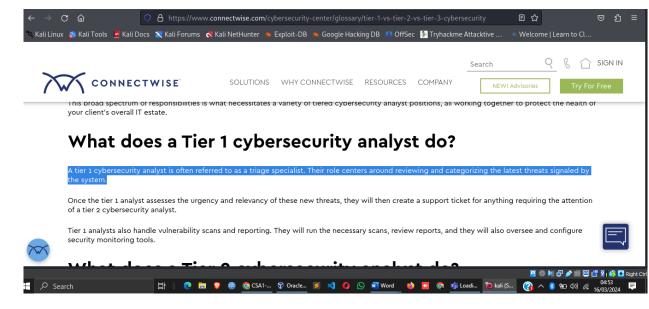
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Task 1: A Career as a Junior (Associate) Security Analyst

- Role: Triage Specialist
- Responsibilities:
 - Monitor and investigate alerts
 - Configure and manage security tools
 - Develop and implement basic IDS signatures
 - Participate in SOC working groups and meetings
 - Escalate security incidents to Tier 2 and Team Lead if needed
- Required qualifications:
 - 0-2 years of Security Operations experience
 - Basic understanding of Networking and Operating Systems
 - Scripting/programming skills are a plus
- Desired certification: CompTIA Security+
- Career progression: Move up to Tier 2 and Tier 3 roles.

Questions:

What will be your role as a Junior Security Analyst?
Triage Specialist



Task 2: Security Operations Centre (SOC)

- Core functions of a SOC:
 - Preparation and prevention
 - Monitoring and investigation
 - Response
- Preparation involves staying informed of current cybersecurity threats, gathering intelligence data, and maintaining security tools.
- Monitoring and investigation are conducted using SIEM and EDR tools, prioritizing alerts, and conducting thorough investigations.
- Response includes coordinating and taking action on compromised hosts.

Task 3: A Day in the Life of a Junior (Associate) Security Analyst

- Daily tasks include:
 - Working with various log sources
 - Monitoring network traffic
 - Analyzing IPS and IDS alerts
 - Investigating suspicious emails
 - Extracting forensics data
- Incident Response tasks may involve detecting, containing, and remediating potential attacks.

Answer the questions below

• Click on the green View Site button in this task to open the Static Site Lab and navigate to the security monitoring tool on the right panel to try to identify the suspicious activity.

No answer needed

• What was the malicious IP address in the alerts?

221.181.185.159

Alert Log	
Date	Message
July 16th 2021, 05:27:00:347	Successful SSH authentication attempt to port 22 from IP address 221.181.185.159
July 16th 2021, 05:25:28:235	Unauthorized connection attempt detected from IP address 221.181.185.159 to port 22

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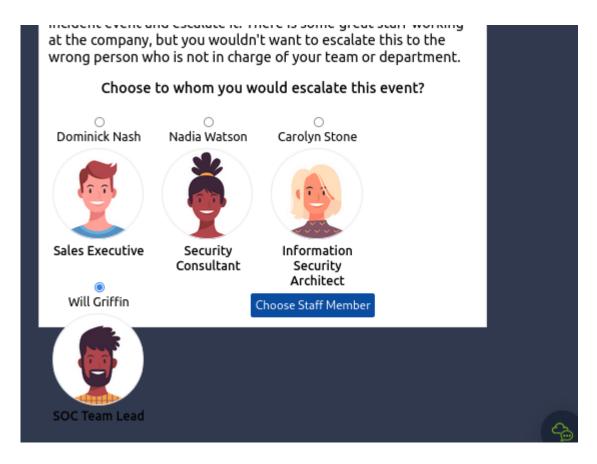
221.181.185.159 was found in our database!

Confidence of the IP being malicious is 100%

Malicious	
ISP	China Mobile Communications Corporation
Domain Name	chinamobileltd.thm
Country	China
City	Zhenjiang, Jiangsu

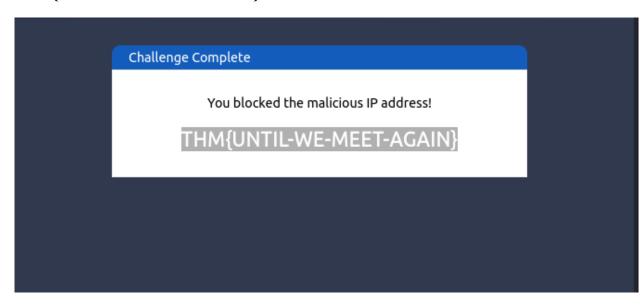
• To whom did you escalate the event associated with the malicious IP address?

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• After blocking the malicious IP address on the firewall, what message did the malicious actor leave for you?

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Conclusion:

A Junior Security Analyst's job responsibilities are diverse, encompassing tasks such as monitoring for cybersecurity threats, investigating potential security incidents, and responding to confirmed threats. Through active participation in Security Operations Centre (SOC) activities, Junior Security Analysts contribute significantly to preserving an organization's security posture. Their skills and expertise are vital in detecting and mitigating cyber threats, thereby safeguarding the organization's assets and data.

