

50 Questions for Chapter 1,2 - Overview of Security Principles and Introduction

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What are the three components of the CIA Triad in computer security?**
 - a) Confidentiality, Accountability, Availability
 - b) Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability
 - c) Control, Integrity, Accessibility
 - d) Confidentiality, Authentication, Availability
2. **What type of security involves safeguarding against human error and system failures?**
 - a) Cybersecurity
 - b) Physical security
 - c) Reliability and redundancy
 - d) Network security
3. **What is the primary focus of computer security?**
 - a) Preventing unintentional damage
 - b) Protecting systems from malicious activities
 - c) Enhancing usability of networks
 - d) Increasing system performance
4. **What does the NIST Computer Security Handbook define as a key objective of cybersecurity?**
 - a) Detecting and correcting errors
 - b) Ensuring availability and accessibility
 - c) Preserving integrity, availability, and confidentiality
 - d) Automating response systems
5. **What type of attack involves monitoring transmissions to obtain information?**
 - a) Active attacks
 - b) Eavesdropping
 - c) Spoofing
 - d) Denial of Service
6. **Which model is used to identify spoofing, tampering, and repudiation threats?**
 - a) STRIDE
 - b) DREAD
 - c) OSI
 - d) CIA
7. **Which type of risk assessment process ranks threats based on their risk levels?**
 - a) STRIDE
 - b) Threat modeling
 - c) Risk prioritization
 - d) Mitigation strategy
8. **What are assets in the context of threat modeling?**
 - a) User passwords

- b) Security vulnerabilities
 - c) Valuable data or system components
 - d) Encryption algorithms
9. **Which threat modeling technique evaluates the damage caused by a threat?**
- a) DREAD
 - b) STRIDE
 - c) OSI model
 - d) Security risk analysis
10. **Which of the following is a human vulnerability in security systems?**
- a) Unpatched software
 - b) Social engineering attacks
 - c) Configuration vulnerabilities
 - d) Buffer overflows
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11. The CIA Triad consists of Confidentiality, Integrity, and _____.
12. A _____ attack involves unauthorized modification of data.
13. The STRIDE model stands for Spoofing, Tampering, Repudiation, Information Disclosure, _____, and Elevation of Privilege.
14. The _____ model assigns risk levels based on damage, reproducibility, exploitability, affected users, and discoverability.
15. Risk _____ involves calculating the likelihood and impact of threats.
16. Social engineering attacks often exploit _____ vulnerabilities.
17. The goal of threat modeling is to develop targeted _____ measures.
18. Vulnerability _____ includes discovery, disclosure, patching, and testing.
19. A _____ attack occurs when an adversary denies involvement in an action.
20. The NIST framework emphasizes _____ management as a key step in mitigating risks.

50 Questions for Chapter 3 - Review of Cryptography

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1. **What is the primary goal of encryption?**
- a) Increase system efficiency
 - b) Encode messages to obscure their meaning
 - c) Enhance file compression
 - d) Secure physical access to systems

2. **Which cipher shifts letters by a fixed number of places in the alphabet?**
 - a) Substitution cipher
 - b) Atbash cipher
 - c) Caesar cipher
 - d) Vigenère cipher
3. **Which encryption method uses the same key for encryption and decryption?**
 - a) Symmetric encryption
 - b) Asymmetric encryption
 - c) Hashing
 - d) Digital signatures
4. **What is the primary weakness of the Caesar cipher?**
 - a) Lack of scalability
 - b) Short keys
 - c) Predictable patterns
 - d) High computational complexity
5. **What is the key feature of one-time pad encryption?**
 - a) Reusable keys
 - b) Perfect secrecy
 - c) Symmetric key generation
 - d) Complex implementation
6. **Which cryptography technique involves reordering characters in plaintext?**
 - a) Substitution
 - b) Transposition
 - c) Hashing
 - d) Encoding
7. **What is the primary function of a cryptanalyst?**
 - a) Encrypting messages
 - b) Deciphering ciphertext
 - c) Managing keys
 - d) Distributing certificates
8. **Which algorithm is widely used for public-key encryption?**
 - a) DES
 - b) AES
 - c) RSA
 - d) Caesar
9. **What is the process of converting ciphertext back to plaintext?**
 - a) Encryption
 - b) Hashing
 - c) Decryption
 - d) Encoding

10. What does DES primarily rely on for encryption?

- a) Key expansion
 - b) Substitution and transposition
 - c) Hash functions
 - d) Random number generators
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11. The two main types of encryption are symmetric and _____.
 12. A cryptosystem must ensure that plaintext is equal to _____ of the ciphertext.
 13. The Caesar cipher achieves encryption by _____ the alphabet.
 14. Transposition techniques achieve encryption through character _____.
 15. Perfect secrecy is achieved with a _____ cipher.
 16. The RSA algorithm is an example of _____ encryption.
 17. Shannon's theory of good ciphers emphasizes _____ and diffusion.
 18. Cryptanalysis involves analyzing _____ to decipher encoded messages.
 19. The primary goal of _____ is to spread plaintext information across ciphertext.
 20. A secure cipher must resist brute-force attacks and statistical _____.
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50 Questions for Chapter 4 - Security in the Software Development Life Cycle

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1. **What is the primary goal of secure software development?**
 - a) To enhance system efficiency
 - b) To prevent vulnerabilities and resist attacks
 - c) To reduce development time
 - d) To simplify the coding process
2. **Which phase of the SDLC focuses on defining security needs and sensitivity assessments?**
 - a) Disposal
 - b) Development/Acquisition
 - c) Initiation
 - d) Implementation
3. **Which NIST publication provides guidelines for integrating security into the SDLC?**
 - a) 800-128
 - b) 800-14

- c) 800-53
 - d) 800-37
4. **What is the purpose of a Configuration Management Plan (CMP)?**
 - a) To manage system disposal
 - b) To track and control changes to the system
 - c) To prevent security breaches during maintenance
 - d) To reduce software development costs
 5. **What does "containerization" in storage segmentation aim to achieve?**
 - a) Faster system processing
 - b) Separating business and personal data
 - c) Encrypting sensitive information
 - d) Automating backup processes
 6. **Which SDLC phase involves implementing security testing and accreditation?**
 - a) Initiation
 - b) Development/Acquisition
 - c) Implementation
 - d) Operation/Maintenance
 7. **What is the role of the Configuration Control Board (CCB)?**
 - a) To enforce encryption policies
 - b) To approve and monitor changes
 - c) To archive outdated configurations
 - d) To manage licensing agreements
 8. **Which model of software development allows overlapping phases?**
 - a) Waterfall
 - b) Spiral
 - c) Modified Waterfall
 - d) Sashimi
 9. **Which is a common software vulnerability?**
 - a) Encryption
 - b) Buffer overflow
 - c) Two-factor authentication
 - d) Regular expressions
 10. **What is the main benefit of using automated tools in secure software development?**
 - a) Reduced costs
 - b) Faster bug resolution
 - c) Early identification of vulnerabilities
 - d) Enhanced user experience

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11. The _____ phase is responsible for sensitivity assessments in the SDLC.
12. Storage _____ separates corporate data from personal data in mobile devices.
13. The purpose of a Configuration Management Plan is to manage system _____ and updates.
14. NIST Special Publication _____ guides secure system configuration management.
15. Software vulnerabilities such as _____ injection can be mitigated with prepared statements.
16. The _____ model is a one-way software development framework.
17. Regular backups and secure storage help protect against data _____.
18. A security _____ outlines actions to mitigate risks during system operations.
19. The _____ phase of SDLC involves archiving and media sanitization.
20. NIST recommends integrating security into every phase of the _____.

50 Questions for Chapter 5 - Access Control and Management

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1. **What is the primary purpose of access control?**
 - a) To speed up system processes
 - b) To restrict unauthorized access
 - c) To enhance encryption capabilities
 - d) To automate backups
2. **What does "authentication" verify in access control?**
 - a) The resource type
 - b) User permissions
 - c) User identity
 - d) Resource location
3. **Which access control model allows resource owners to manage permissions?**
 - a) MAC
 - b) RBAC
 - c) DAC
 - d) ABAC
4. **What is a common weakness of Discretionary Access Control (DAC)?**
 - a) Requires complex algorithms
 - b) Heavily reliant on user discretion
 - c) Cannot be used in operating systems
 - d) Incompatible with role-based access control

5. **Which role is responsible for overseeing compliance with data privacy policies?**
 - a) Owner
 - b) Custodian
 - c) Privacy Officer
 - d) End User
 6. **In Mandatory Access Control (MAC), what dictates access permissions?**
 - a) User discretion
 - b) Organizational policies and classification labels
 - c) Network administrators
 - d) Encryption algorithms
 7. **What does the Attribute-Based Access Control (ABAC) model consider?**
 - a) User permissions only
 - b) Environmental and object attributes
 - c) Hardware configurations
 - d) Role hierarchies
 8. **What is the least restrictive access control model?**
 - a) MAC
 - b) ABAC
 - c) DAC
 - d) RBAC
 9. **What is the purpose of geofencing in access control?**
 - a) Tracking mobile devices
 - b) Encrypting user data
 - c) Restricting access based on location
 - d) Managing resource ownership
 10. **Which access control phase involves maintaining logs of user actions?**
 - a) Authentication
 - b) Authorization
 - c) Accounting
 - d) Identification
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11. The access control model that assigns permissions based on roles is _____.
12. In the MAC model, access is determined by _____ labels.
13. Geofencing uses _____ data to define physical boundaries for device operation.
14. The _____ is responsible for implementing access control policies.
15. The Attribute-Based Access Control (ABAC) model uses _____ rules for decision-making.

16. A _____ identifies a resource that a subject interacts with in access control.
 17. The _____ phase involves verifying user credentials during access control.
 18. Discretionary Access Control (DAC) is commonly implemented in _____ systems.
 19. An organization's _____ policies help enforce consistent access control measures.
 20. User Access Control (UAC) is a feature used in _____ to manage privileges.
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50 Questions for Chapter 6 - Security in the Network and Internet

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What distinguishes a network from a stand-alone device?**
 - a) Physical portability
 - b) Complexity of operations
 - c) Exposure to external environments
 - d) Speed of processing
2. **What layer in the OSI model manages end-to-end communication and error correction?**
 - a) Network Layer
 - b) Session Layer
 - c) Transport Layer
 - d) Data Link Layer
3. **Which protocol is widely used for web traffic?**
 - a) SMTP
 - b) Telnet
 - c) HTTP
 - d) SNMP
4. **What is a major vulnerability of networks?**
 - a) Unknown routing paths
 - b) Standardized encryption protocols
 - c) Enclosed communication boundaries
 - d) Predictable node behavior
5. **What is the primary purpose of a firewall in network security?**
 - a) Encrypt data
 - b) Block unauthorized access
 - c) Analyze network packets
 - d) Automate routing decisions
6. **Which type of attack involves intercepting and modifying communications between two parties?**
 - a) Spoofing
 - b) Denial of Service

- c) Man-in-the-Middle
 - d) Buffer Overflow
7. **What is the primary function of a port scan in a network attack?**
- a) To encrypt communications
 - b) To gather information about open services
 - c) To establish secure connections
 - d) To block unauthorized access
8. **Which type of network covers a large geographic area?**
- a) LAN
 - b) WAN
 - c) PAN
 - d) MAN
9. **What does TCP/IP ensure in a network communication?**
- a) User authentication
 - b) Correct packet sequencing
 - c) Encrypted payload delivery
 - d) Hardware compatibility
10. **Which is a characteristic of internetworks?**
- a) Single-point ownership
 - b) Heterogeneous structure
 - c) Centralized access control
 - d) Minimal user connectivity
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11. The _____ layer of the OSI model is responsible for routing packets.
12. TCP/IP uses _____ numbers to designate specific applications.
13. A _____ attack floods a target with SYN requests without completing the handshake.
14. _____ is a technique used to define geographical boundaries for device operation.
15. The primary goal of a _____ is to inspect and control incoming and outgoing traffic.
16. A _____ attack exploits a vulnerability to gain control of a remote system.
17. A _____ is a network of networks, often managed by different entities.
18. The process of breaking data into smaller units for transmission is called _____.
19. Network _____ refers to the lack of control over unknown paths.
20. A _____ is a tool that monitors and alerts administrators about network threats.

0 Questions for Chapter 7 - Cloud Security

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

- 1. What is the top reported cloud security challenge?**
 - a) Insecure APIs
 - b) Data loss and leakage
 - c) Lack of scalability
 - d) Compliance issues
- 2. Which is a common cause of cloud security breaches?**
 - a) Insufficient server backups
 - b) Misconfiguration of cloud platforms
 - c) Excessive encryption
 - d) Weak hardware infrastructure
- 3. What is a significant benefit of cloud-based security solutions?**
 - a) Increased local storage
 - b) Better scalability and flexibility
 - c) Limited automation options
 - d) Reduced encryption overhead
- 4. What percentage of organizations report a lack of confidence in their cloud security posture?**
 - a) 50%
 - b) 72%
 - c) 85%
 - d) 96%
- 5. Which attack is on the rise in cloud environments?**
 - a) Man-in-the-Middle
 - b) Cryptojacking
 - c) SQL Injection
 - d) Phishing
- 6. What does DLP in cloud security stand for?**
 - a) Data Loss Prevention
 - b) Distributed Log Processing
 - c) Dynamic Layer Protection
 - d) Data Link Protocol
- 7. Which tool helps detect and prevent cloud misconfigurations?**
 - a) API Gateway
 - b) SIEM solutions
 - c) Cloud automation scripts
 - d) DLP tools
- 8. What is a barrier to cloud-based security adoption?**
 - a) Increased speed of deployment
 - b) Lack of expertise/training

- c) Enhanced cost efficiency
 - d) Integration with existing systems
9. **What method protects sensitive data in cloud environments?**
- a) Default settings
 - b) Strong encryption
 - c) Public cloud interfaces
 - d) Simplified authentication
10. **What is the primary concern with insecure APIs?**
- a) Slower communication
 - b) Vulnerability to attacks
 - c) Lack of user management
 - d) Reduced scalability
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11. The _____ report highlights the latest cloud security challenges.
 12. Misconfigurations in cloud platforms often expose _____ data.
 13. Cloud cryptojacking involves attackers using resources to mine _____.
 14. _____ tools help prevent unauthorized data transfers in cloud environments.
 15. Cloud-based security solutions offer better _____ than on-premises tools.
 16. The process of managing multiple cloud environments is called _____ cloud management.
 17. A _____ response tool helps mitigate cloud threats faster.
 18. Regular _____ can help prevent ransomware risks in the cloud.
 19. Cloud providers offer _____ encryption solutions to secure data.
 20. Organizations face challenges securing _____ in cloud environments.
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50 Questions for Chapter 8 - Mobile and Embedded Device Security

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What is a feature phone?**
 - a) A phone with only SMS capabilities
 - b) A traditional phone with limited features
 - c) A smartphone with advanced encryption
 - d) A device primarily for gaming
2. **What risk does GPS tagging pose to mobile devices?**
 - a) Loss of performance

- b) Increased exposure to targeted attacks
 - c) Reduced battery life
 - d) Inconsistent connectivity
3. **Which technique separates corporate and personal data on mobile devices?**
- a) Encryption
 - b) Containerization
 - c) Geo-fencing
 - d) Sideload
4. **What is the primary goal of mobile device management (MDM)?**
- a) Managing updates and encryption
 - b) Reducing device size
 - c) Enhancing app performance
 - d) Preventing malware
5. **What is a sideloading risk in mobile devices?**
- a) Improved app performance
 - b) Access to malicious applications
 - c) Enhanced app compatibility
 - d) Reduced encryption needs
6. **Which embedded system is often part of IoT devices?**
- a) Mainframes
 - b) Smart thermostats
 - c) Supercomputers
 - d) Gaming consoles
7. **What is the main risk of using QR codes?**
- a) Shortened URLs
 - b) Malware injection
 - c) Reduced performance
 - d) Lack of encryption
8. **What percentage of laptop thefts occur in unattended cars?**
- a) 20%
 - b) 25%
 - c) 15%
 - d) 30%
9. **Which of the following helps reduce mobile device theft risks?**
- a) Using white headphone cords
 - b) Keeping devices out of sight in high-risk areas
 - c) Disabling encryption settings
 - d) Using feature phones instead of smartphones
10. **What is a common feature of wearable technology?**
- a) Replaceable batteries

- b) Connectivity to smartphones
 - c) Built-in GPS tagging
 - d) Ability to run desktop applications
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11. A _____ is a type of portable computing device without a keyboard.
12. GPS tagging adds _____ data to media files.
13. The risk of _____ increases when mobile devices access untrusted content.
14. Mobile device theft often occurs in _____ locations.
15. The process of bypassing built-in mobile security limitations is called _____.
16. Smartphones are considered _____ personal computers.
17. Mobile management tools enforce _____ settings on devices.
18. _____ codes are vulnerable to redirection to malicious sites.
19. Storage segmentation creates separate _____ for corporate and personal data.
20. Mobile device management uses _____ updates for remote configuration.

50 Questions for Chapter 9 - Operating System Security

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What is the primary function of an operating system?**
 - a) Encrypting data
 - b) Managing hardware and software resources
 - c) Monitoring network activity
 - d) Detecting malware
2. **What are the three components of an operating system security environment?**
 - a) Processes, Kernels, and Memory
 - b) Memory, Services, and Files
 - c) Authentication, Authorization, and Auditing
 - d) Processes, Services, and Encryption
3. **What is the purpose of a BIOS password?**
 - a) Prevent access to the hard drive
 - b) Block unauthorized changes during booting
 - c) Encrypt the boot sequence
 - d) Log all boot events
4. **Which of the following helps prevent dictionary attacks on passwords?**
 - a) Using encryption algorithms

- b) Implementing salt with passwords
 - c) Storing passwords in plain text
 - d) Using multiple user accounts
5. **What is the primary concern with FTP in file transfers?**
- a) Speed of transfer
 - b) Lack of encryption for credentials
 - c) Compatibility issues
 - d) Difficult configuration
6. **Which component is used for storing and retrieving sensitive data in an OS?**
- a) Services
 - b) Memory
 - c) Files
 - d) Networking protocols
7. **What is a chroot jail used for?**
- a) Encrypting files on the server
 - b) Restricting server's view of the file system
 - c) Logging unauthorized access
 - d) Improving application performance
8. **Which of the following is an operating system vulnerability?**
- a) Frequent patching
 - b) Internet Information Services (IIS)
 - c) Mandatory access control
 - d) Layered encryption
9. **Which technique ensures virtual machines are isolated from each other?**
- a) File permissions
 - b) Hypervisor monitoring
 - c) BIOS configuration
 - d) Memory segregation
10. **What does a security hardening guide recommend for operating systems?**
- a) Installing default software configurations
 - b) Enabling all services by default
 - c) Disabling unnecessary applications
 - d) Using local rather than remote administration
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11. The primary role of _____ is to manage system resources and provide services to users.
12. A _____ attack guesses passwords by hashing dictionary words and comparing them with stored hashes.

13. FTP transmits usernames and passwords in _____.
 14. Virtual machines are managed by software known as the _____.
 15. The use of _____ with passwords makes brute-force attacks more difficult.
 16. _____ tools help monitor and analyze logging information for suspicious behavior.
 17. The process of loading an OS into memory from a powered-off state is called _____.
 18. Operating system security is improved by removing _____ services and applications.
 19. A _____ provides multi-layer security by restricting access to specific parts of a file system.
 20. To ensure system security, organizations should enforce _____ for sensitive operations.
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50 Questions for Chapter 10 - Computer Security Incident Handling

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What is the purpose of incident response?**
 - a) To ensure systems are patched
 - b) To minimize the impact of security incidents
 - c) To automate data backups
 - d) To improve system performance
2. **What is the first phase of the Incident Response Life Cycle?**
 - a) Detection and Analysis
 - b) Preparation
 - c) Containment, Eradication, and Recovery
 - d) Post-Incident Activity
3. **Which team model is ideal for small organizations with centralized IT operations?**
 - a) Coordinating Team Model
 - b) Distributed Model
 - c) Centralized Model
 - d) Ad hoc Model
4. **What is the goal of the containment phase in incident handling?**
 - a) Recover deleted data
 - b) Stop the spread of the incident
 - c) Identify all vulnerabilities
 - d) Document the root cause
5. **Which type of detection involves tools like SIEM and IDS?**
 - a) User reporting
 - b) Threat hunting
 - c) Automated monitoring
 - d) Manual analysis

- 6. What is the purpose of a Lessons Learned Meeting?**
 - a) Coordinate with external agencies
 - b) Share security tools
 - c) Improve future incident responses
 - d) Notify employees about threats
 - 7. What does IOC stand for in incident analysis?**
 - a) Indicators of Containment
 - b) Indicators of Compromise
 - c) Incident Operational Criteria
 - d) Incident Of Concern
 - 8. What activity is part of the Post-Incident phase?**
 - a) Isolating affected systems
 - b) Erasing malicious data
 - c) Conducting a metrics review
 - d) Analyzing threats in real-time
 - 9. Which strategy ensures evidence integrity during incident handling?**
 - a) Manual tracking
 - b) Digital signatures
 - c) Automated backups
 - d) Root cause analysis
 - 10. What is the main challenge in sharing incident-related data?**
 - a) Lack of storage capacity
 - b) Privacy concerns
 - c) Manual tracking
 - d) Slow system speeds
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11. The _____ phase involves developing policies and acquiring tools for incident handling.
12. During the _____ phase, organizations isolate threats and restore systems.
13. The process of identifying abnormal behavior in systems is called _____.
14. Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) include IP addresses and _____ hashes.
15. A Lessons Learned Meeting focuses on documenting insights to improve _____ strategies.
16. Incident response plans must include protocols for notifying _____.
17. Threat intelligence feeds help identify _____ threats.
18. Restoring data from backups is part of the _____ phase.
19. Incident response teams use _____ tools to track and manage incidents.

20. Analyzing metrics such as response time is part of the _____ phase.

Chapter 11 - AI's Role in Cybersecurity Threats and Defenses

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What is the primary role of AI in threat detection systems?**
 - a) Encrypting communication channels
 - b) Automating threat identification and response
 - c) Reducing system processing time
 - d) Enhancing user interface design
2. **Which of the following is an example of AI-powered cybersecurity threats?**
 - a) Malware analysis
 - b) Automated threat detection
 - c) AI-enhanced phishing attacks
 - d) Endpoint monitoring
3. **What is a key application of predictive threat modeling using AI?**
 - a) Analyzing past cyber incidents
 - b) Predicting potential attack vectors
 - c) Encrypting sensitive files
 - d) Training cybersecurity staff
4. **How does AI enhance vulnerability management?**
 - a) By automating compliance reporting
 - b) By identifying and prioritizing vulnerabilities
 - c) By blocking all potential threats
 - d) By replacing traditional security teams
5. **What type of cybersecurity risk is addressed by AI in endpoint security?**
 - a) Predictable data traffic
 - b) Unauthorized device access
 - c) System performance optimization
 - d) Public key distribution
6. **Which AI application is used in fraud detection?**
 - a) Behavioral biometrics
 - b) Endpoint monitoring
 - c) Data exfiltration detection
 - d) Smart city monitoring
7. **What is AI-driven threat hunting?**
 - a) The use of AI to identify vulnerabilities in other AI systems
 - b) The proactive search for potential cyber threats using AI
 - c) Automating compliance audits
 - d) Training staff on security protocols

- 8. How does AI support security operations centers (SOCs)?**
 - a) By eliminating manual incident response
 - b) By automating log analysis and threat prioritization
 - c) By redesigning network architecture
 - d) By improving password complexity
 - 9. What is a significant benefit of using AI in detecting DDoS attacks?**
 - a) Encrypting network traffic
 - b) Identifying patterns in traffic anomalies
 - c) Reducing the bandwidth of malicious traffic
 - d) Automating user authentication
 - 10. How is AI used in cybersecurity training?**
 - a) To create realistic threat simulations
 - b) To replace traditional training programs
 - c) To manage access control
 - d) To perform compliance monitoring
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11. AI enhances phishing prevention by detecting _____ patterns in emails.
12. _____ systems use AI to detect insider threats based on user behavior.
13. AI in fraud detection relies on _____ biometrics to identify anomalies.
14. Predictive analytics in cybersecurity uses _____ models to anticipate attacks.
15. AI-powered incident response automates _____ to minimize response times.
16. In endpoint security, AI monitors _____ traffic to detect anomalies.
17. AI enhances IoT security by identifying vulnerabilities in _____ devices.
18. Threat intelligence gathering with AI relies on _____ data feeds for analysis.
19. AI helps secure e-commerce platforms by detecting _____ attempts during transactions.
20. AI-powered DLP solutions protect against _____ data breaches.

RESPONSES

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Answer: Denial of Service

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Answer: DREAD

15. Risk _____ involves calculating the likelihood and impact of threats.

Answer: Assessment

16. Social engineering attacks often exploit _____ vulnerabilities.

Answer: Human

17. The goal of threat modeling is to develop targeted _____ measures.

Answer: Security

18. Vulnerability _____ includes discovery, disclosure, patching, and testing.

Answer: Lifecycle

19. A _____ attack occurs when an adversary denies involvement in an action.

Answer: Repudiation

20. The NIST framework emphasizes _____ management as a key step in mitigating risks.

Answer: Proactive

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Answer: a) Symmetric encryption

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Answer: c) Predictable patterns

5. What is the key feature of one-time pad encryption?

Answer: b) Perfect secrecy

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8. Which algorithm is widely used for public-key encryption?

Answer: c) RSA

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Answer: c) Decryption

10. What does DES primarily rely on for encryption?

Answer: b) Substitution and transposition

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Answer: Asymmetric

12. A cryptosystem must ensure that plaintext is equal to _____ of the ciphertext.

Answer: Decryption

13. The Caesar cipher achieves encryption by _____ the alphabet.

Answer: Shifting

14. Transposition techniques achieve encryption through character _____.

Answer: Reordering

15. Perfect secrecy is achieved with a _____ cipher.

Answer: One-time pad

16. The RSA algorithm is an example of _____ encryption.

Answer: Public-key

17. Shannon's theory of good ciphers emphasizes _____ and diffusion.

Answer: Confusion

18. Cryptanalysis involves analyzing _____ to decipher encoded messages.

Answer: Ciphertext

19. The primary goal of _____ is to spread plaintext information across ciphertext.

Answer: Diffusion

20. A secure cipher must resist brute-force attacks and statistical _____.

Answer: Analysis

Chapter 4 - Security in the Software Development Life Cycle

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is the primary goal of secure software development?

Answer: b) To prevent vulnerabilities and resist attacks

2. Which phase of the SDLC focuses on defining security needs and sensitivity assessments?

Answer: c) Initiation

3. Which NIST publication provides guidelines for integrating security into the SDLC?

Answer: b) 800-14

4. What is the purpose of a Configuration Management Plan (CMP)?
Answer: b) To track and control changes to the system
 5. What does "containerization" in storage segmentation aim to achieve?
Answer: b) Separating business and personal data
 6. Which SDLC phase involves implementing security testing and accreditation?
Answer: c) Implementation
 7. What is the role of the Configuration Control Board (CCB)?
Answer: b) To approve and monitor changes
 8. Which model of software development allows overlapping phases?
Answer: d) Sashimi
 9. Which is a common software vulnerability?
Answer: b) Buffer overflow
 10. What is the main benefit of using automated tools in secure software development?
Answer: c) Early identification of vulnerabilities
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Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The _____ phase is responsible for sensitivity assessments in the SDLC.
Answer: Initiation
12. Storage _____ separates corporate data from personal data in mobile devices.
Answer: Segmentation
13. The purpose of a Configuration Management Plan is to manage system _____ and updates.
Answer: Changes
14. NIST Special Publication _____ guides secure system configuration management.
Answer: 800-128
15. Software vulnerabilities such as _____ injection can be mitigated with prepared statements.
Answer: SQL
16. The _____ model is a one-way software development framework.
Answer: Waterfall
17. Regular backups and secure storage help protect against data _____.
Answer: Loss
18. A security _____ outlines actions to mitigate risks during system operations.
Answer: Plan

19. The _____ phase of SDLC involves archiving and media sanitization.

Answer: Disposal

20. NIST recommends integrating security into every phase of the _____.

Answer: SDLC

Chapter 5 - Access Control and Management

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is the primary purpose of access control?

Answer: b) To restrict unauthorized access

2. What does "authentication" verify in access control?

Answer: c) User identity

3. Which access control model allows resource owners to manage permissions?

Answer: c) DAC

4. What is a common weakness of Discretionary Access Control (DAC)?

Answer: b) Heavily reliant on user discretion

5. Which role is responsible for overseeing compliance with data privacy policies?

Answer: c) Privacy Officer

6. In Mandatory Access Control (MAC), what dictates access permissions?

Answer: b) Organizational policies and classification labels

7. What does the Attribute-Based Access Control (ABAC) model consider?

Answer: b) Environmental and object attributes

8. What is the least restrictive access control model?

Answer: c) DAC

9. What is the purpose of geofencing in access control?

Answer: c) Restricting access based on location

10. Which access control phase involves maintaining logs of user actions?

Answer: c) Accounting

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The access control model that assigns permissions based on roles is _____.

Answer: RBAC

12. In the MAC model, access is determined by _____ labels.

Answer: Classification

13. Geofencing uses _____ data to define physical boundaries for device operation.
Answer: Location
14. The _____ is responsible for implementing access control policies.
Answer: Custodian
15. The Attribute-Based Access Control (ABAC) model uses _____ rules for decision-making.
Answer: Conditional
16. A _____ identifies a resource that a subject interacts with in access control.
Answer: Object
17. The _____ phase involves verifying user credentials during access control.
Answer: Authentication
18. Discretionary Access Control (DAC) is commonly implemented in _____ systems.
Answer: Operating
19. An organization's _____ policies help enforce consistent access control measures.
Answer: Security
20. User Access Control (UAC) is a feature used in _____ to manage privileges.
Answer: Windows

Chapter 6 - Security in the Network and Internet

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What distinguishes a network from a stand-alone device?
Answer: c) Exposure to external environments
2. What layer in the OSI model manages end-to-end communication and error correction?
Answer: c) Transport Layer
3. Which protocol is widely used for web traffic?
Answer: c) HTTP
4. What is a major vulnerability of networks?
Answer: a) Unknown routing paths
5. What is the primary purpose of a firewall in network security?
Answer: b) Block unauthorized access
6. Which type of attack involves intercepting and modifying communications between two parties?
Answer: c) Man-in-the-Middle
7. What is the primary function of a port scan in a network attack?
Answer: b) To gather information about open services
8. Which type of network covers a large geographic area?
Answer: b) WAN

9. What does TCP/IP ensure in a network communication?

Answer: b) Correct packet sequencing

10. Which is a characteristic of internetworks?

Answer: b) Heterogeneous structure

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The _____ layer of the OSI model is responsible for routing packets.

Answer: Network

12. TCP/IP uses _____ numbers to designate specific applications.

Answer: Port

13. A _____ attack floods a target with SYN requests without completing the handshake.

Answer: SYN flood

14. _____ is a technique used to define geographical boundaries for device operation.

Answer: Geofencing

15. The primary goal of a _____ is to inspect and control incoming and outgoing traffic.

Answer: Firewall

16. A _____ attack exploits a vulnerability to gain control of a remote system.

Answer: Remote code execution

17. A _____ is a network of networks, often managed by different entities.

Answer: Internetwork

18. The process of breaking data into smaller units for transmission is called _____.

Answer: Fragmentation

19. Network _____ refers to the lack of control over unknown paths.

Answer: Vulnerability

20. A _____ is a tool that monitors and alerts administrators about network threats.

Answer: Intrusion Detection System

Chapter 7 - Cloud Security

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is the top reported cloud security challenge?

Answer: b) Data loss and leakage

2. Which is a common cause of cloud security breaches?

Answer: b) Misconfiguration of cloud platforms

3. What is a significant benefit of cloud-based security solutions?
Answer: b) Better scalability and flexibility
 4. What percentage of organizations report a lack of confidence in their cloud security posture?
Answer: b) 72%
 5. Which attack is on the rise in cloud environments?
Answer: b) Cryptojacking
 6. What does DLP in cloud security stand for?
Answer: a) Data Loss Prevention
 7. Which tool helps detect and prevent cloud misconfigurations?
Answer: b) SIEM solutions
 8. What is a barrier to cloud-based security adoption?
Answer: b) Lack of expertise/training
 9. What method protects sensitive data in cloud environments?
Answer: b) Strong encryption
 10. What is the primary concern with insecure APIs?
Answer: b) Vulnerability to attacks
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Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The _____ report highlights the latest cloud security challenges.
Answer: Cloud Security
12. Misconfigurations in cloud platforms often expose _____ data.
Answer: Sensitive
13. Cloud cryptojacking involves attackers using resources to mine _____.
Answer: Cryptocurrency
14. _____ tools help prevent unauthorized data transfers in cloud environments.
Answer: DLP
15. Cloud-based security solutions offer better _____ than on-premises tools.
Answer: Scalability
16. The process of managing multiple cloud environments is called _____ cloud management.
Answer: Multi
17. A _____ response tool helps mitigate cloud threats faster.
Answer: Automated
18. Regular _____ can help prevent ransomware risks in the cloud.
Answer: Backups

19. Cloud providers offer _____ encryption solutions to secure data.

Answer: Built-in

20. Organizations face challenges securing _____ in cloud environments.

Answer: APIs

Chapter 8 - Mobile and Embedded Device Security

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is a feature phone?

Answer: b) A traditional phone with limited features

2. What risk does GPS tagging pose to mobile devices?

Answer: b) Increased exposure to targeted attacks

3. Which technique separates corporate and personal data on mobile devices?

Answer: b) Containerization

4. What is the primary goal of mobile device management (MDM)?

Answer: a) Managing updates and encryption

5. What is a sideloading risk in mobile devices?

Answer: b) Access to malicious applications

6. Which embedded system is often part of IoT devices?

Answer: b) Smart thermostats

7. What is the main risk of using QR codes?

Answer: b) Malware injection

8. What percentage of laptop thefts occur in unattended cars?

Answer: b) 25%

9. Which of the following helps reduce mobile device theft risks?

Answer: b) Keeping devices out of sight in high-risk areas

10. What is a common feature of wearable technology?

Answer: b) Connectivity to smartphones

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. A _____ is a type of portable computing device without a keyboard.

Answer: Tablet

12. GPS tagging adds _____ data to media files.

Answer: Geographical

13. The risk of _____ increases when mobile devices access untrusted content.

Answer: Malware

14. Mobile device theft often occurs in _____ locations.

Answer: Public

15. The process of bypassing built-in mobile security limitations is called _____.

Answer: Jailbreaking

16. Smartphones are considered _____ personal computers.

Answer: Handheld

17. Mobile management tools enforce _____ settings on devices.

Answer: Encryption

18. _____ codes are vulnerable to redirection to malicious sites.

Answer: QR

19. Storage segmentation creates separate _____ for corporate and personal data.

Answer: Containers

20. Mobile device management uses _____ updates for remote configuration.

Answer: Over-the-air

Chapter 9 - Operating System Security

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is the primary function of an operating system?

Answer: b) Managing hardware and software resources

2. What are the three components of an operating system security environment?

Answer: b) Memory, Services, and Files

3. What is the purpose of a BIOS password?

Answer: b) Block unauthorized changes during booting

4. Which of the following helps prevent dictionary attacks on passwords?

Answer: b) Implementing salt with passwords

5. What is the primary concern with FTP in file transfers?

Answer: b) Lack of encryption for credentials

6. Which component is used for storing and retrieving sensitive data in an OS?

Answer: c) Files

7. What is a chroot jail used for?

Answer: b) Restricting server's view of the file system

8. Which of the following is an operating system vulnerability?

Answer: b) Internet Information Services (IIS)

9. Which technique ensures virtual machines are isolated from each other?

Answer: b) Hypervisor monitoring

10. What does a security hardening guide recommend for operating systems?

Answer: c) Disabling unnecessary applications

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The primary role of _____ is to manage system resources and provide services to users.

Answer: Operating systems

12. A _____ attack guesses passwords by hashing dictionary words and comparing them with stored hashes.

Answer: Dictionary

13. FTP transmits usernames and passwords in _____.

Answer: Plaintext

14. Virtual machines are managed by software known as the _____.

Answer: Hypervisor

15. The use of _____ with passwords makes brute-force attacks more difficult.

Answer: Salt

16. _____ tools help monitor and analyze logging information for suspicious behavior.

Answer: Intrusion Detection

17. The process of loading an OS into memory from a powered-off state is called _____.

Answer: Booting

18. Operating system security is improved by removing _____ services and applications.

Answer: Unnecessary

19. A _____ provides multi-layer security by restricting access to specific parts of a file system.

Answer: Chroot jail

20. To ensure system security, organizations should enforce _____ for sensitive operations.

Answer: Password policies

Chapter 10 - Computer Security Incident Handling

Choice Questions (70%)

1. What is the purpose of incident response?

Answer: b) To minimize the impact of security incidents

2. What is the first phase of the Incident Response Life Cycle?

Answer: b) Preparation

3. Which team model is ideal for small organizations with centralized IT operations?
Answer: c) Centralized Model
 4. What is the goal of the containment phase in incident handling?
Answer: b) Stop the spread of the incident
 5. Which type of detection involves tools like SIEM and IDS?
Answer: c) Automated monitoring
 6. What is the purpose of a Lessons Learned Meeting?
Answer: c) Improve future incident responses
 7. What does IOC stand for in incident analysis?
Answer: b) Indicators of Compromise
 8. What activity is part of the Post-Incident phase?
Answer: c) Conducting a metrics review
 9. Which strategy ensures evidence integrity during incident handling?
Answer: b) Digital signatures
 10. What is the main challenge in sharing incident-related data?
Answer: b) Privacy concerns
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Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. The _____ phase involves developing policies and acquiring tools for incident handling.
Answer: Preparation
12. During the _____ phase, organizations isolate threats and restore systems.
Answer: Containment
13. The process of identifying abnormal behavior in systems is called _____.
Answer: Detection
14. Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) include IP addresses and _____ hashes.
Answer: File
15. A Lessons Learned Meeting focuses on documenting insights to improve _____ strategies.
Answer: Response
16. Incident response plans must include protocols for notifying _____.
Answer: Stakeholders
17. Threat intelligence feeds help identify _____ threats.
Answer: Emerging
18. Restoring data from backups is part of the _____ phase.
Answer: Recovery

19. Incident response teams use _____ tools to track and manage incidents.

Answer: Monitoring

20. Analyzing metrics such as response time is part of the _____ phase.

Answer: Post-Incident

Chapter 11 - AI's Role in Cybersecurity Threats and Defenses

Multiple-Choice Questions (70%)

1. **What is the primary role of AI in threat detection systems?**

Answer: b) Automating threat identification and response

2. **Which of the following is an example of AI-powered cybersecurity threats?**

Answer: c) AI-enhanced phishing attacks

3. **What is a key application of predictive threat modeling using AI?**

Answer: b) Predicting potential attack vectors

4. **How does AI enhance vulnerability management?**

Answer: b) By identifying and prioritizing vulnerabilities

5. **What type of cybersecurity risk is addressed by AI in endpoint security?**

Answer: b) Unauthorized device access

6. **Which AI application is used in fraud detection?**

Answer: a) Behavioral biometrics

7. **What is AI-driven threat hunting?**

Answer: b) The proactive search for potential cyber threats using AI

8. **How does AI support security operations centers (SOCs)?**

Answer: b) By automating log analysis and threat prioritization

9. **What is a significant benefit of using AI in detecting DDoS attacks?**

Answer: b) Identifying patterns in traffic anomalies

10. **How is AI used in cybersecurity training?**

Answer: a) To create realistic threat simulations

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions (30%)

11. AI enhances phishing prevention by detecting _____ patterns in emails.

Answer: Behavioral

12. _____ systems use AI to detect insider threats based on user behavior.

Answer: User and Entity Behavior Analytics (UEBA)

13. AI in fraud detection relies on _____ biometrics to identify anomalies.

Answer: Behavioral

14. Predictive analytics in cybersecurity uses _____ models to anticipate attacks.

Answer: Machine learning

15. AI-powered incident response automates _____ to minimize response times.

Answer: Threat analysis

16. In endpoint security, AI monitors _____ traffic to detect anomalies.

Answer: Network

17. AI enhances IoT security by identifying vulnerabilities in _____ devices.

Answer: Connected

18. Threat intelligence gathering with AI relies on _____ data feeds for analysis.

Answer: Real-time

19. AI helps secure e-commerce platforms by detecting _____ attempts during transactions.

Answer: Fraudulent

20. AI-powered DLP solutions protect against _____ data breaches.

Answer: Accidental