

Question 1:

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- Provide a quick explanation why the following statements are True or False:
 - 1. Symmetric encryption is a crypto-mechanism where encryption and decryption are performed using different keys.
 - 2. With the use of symmetric encryption, the principal security problem is maintaining the secrecy of the key.
 - 3. The process of converting from plaintext to ciphertext is known as deciphering or decryption.
 - 4. The algorithm will produce a different output depending on the specific secret key being used at the time. The exact substitutions and transformations performed by the algorithm depend on the key.
 - 5. When using symmetric encryption it is very important to keep the algorithm secret.
 - 6. Ciphertext generated using a computationally secure encryption scheme is impossible for an opponent to decrypt simply because the required information is not there.