# Configuring Switch Security Features

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# Part 1: The Lab

- i) Cable the Network I created and cabled the network according to the diagram.
- ii) Initialize and reload the router and switch

I went into router configuration, and checked the flash.

### iii) Configure an IP address on PC-A

I then went to PC-A and setup the IP configuration.

# iv) Configure basic settings on R1

I went into R1 and entered the commands and then copied the running and startup configs.

### v) Configure basic settings on S1

I ran the commands from the diagram, setting up basic settings and then creatings and configuring vlan 99.

When I issued the show vlan command it shows vlan 99 as active.

When I ran the command show ip interface brief the status was ok and protocol was down.

It shows as down because its not connected to a network.

After assigning f0/5 and f0/6 to vlan 99 no when running the show ip int brief command we can see vlan 99 as up.

### vi) Verify Connectivity between Devices

As you can see in Fig. 1 All of the pings were successful.

```
ping 172.16.99.1
                                                                                                                           nging 172.16.99.11 with 32 bytes of data:
                                                                                                                                 st timed out.
from 172.16.99.11: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=255
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from 172.16.99.11: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=255
                                                                                                                             g statistics for 172.16.99.11:
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss)
oximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 87ms, Average = 21ms
                                                                                                                                 ackets: Sent = 4, Received = 3, Lost = 1 (25% loss)
ximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
inimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms
                (a) PC-A pinging R1
                                                                                                                                               (b) PC-A pinging S1
                                                          ype escape sequence to abort.
ending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 172.16.99.1, timeout is 2 seconds:
                                                            ccess rate is 80 percent (4/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 0/0/0 ms
```

(c) S1 pinging R1

Figure 1: Successful pings on the network

### vii) Configure SSH access on S1

The ssh-version is 1.99

SSH will allow 3 retries

the default timeout is 120 secs

### viii) Modify the SSH configuration on S1

It will now allow 2 retries, so a total of 3 attempts.

The timeout would be 75 seconds. So, 1 minute and 15 seconds.

a)

It was successful, and the prompt said unauthorized access is strictly prohibited, and the gave the S1 prompt with the octothorpe signifying the admin account.

# ix) Configure general security features on S1

a)

```
SI#CONFig t
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
SI(config)#banner motd #
Enter TEXT message. End with the character '#'.
Unauthorized access is strictly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. #
SI(config)#exit
```

Figure 2: Banner MOTD update

b

The physical ports that are open are Fa0/5 and Fa0/6

I ran the commands the output of show ip int brief gives us:

S1#show ip int brief Interface FastEthernet0/1 OK? Method Status Proto
YES manual administratively down down
YES manual administratively down down IP-Address OK? Method Status Protocol IP-Address unassigned unassigned unassigned unassigned unassigned unassigned unassigned FastEthernet0/1
FastEthernet0/2
FastEthernet0/3
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FastEthernet0/18 unassigned FastEthernet0/20 FastEthernet0/20 FastEthernet0/21 FastEthernet0/22 FastEthernet0/24 GigabitEthernet0/2 Vlan1 Vlan9 S1# unassigned 172.16.99.11

Figure 3: Output of show ip int brief

# x) Configure and verify port security on S1 a) The macaddress is 0004.9a08.6602 b) fa0/5 has a mac address of 0004.9a08.6602 and fa0/6 doesnt show on the table. c & d) The port status is secure-Up. e) From R1 I pinged PC-A as seen in Fig. 4a. l) The ping from R1 to PC-A was not successful. m) See Fig. 4b for the output of show int f0/5. p) This time the ping was successful again. See Fig. 4c

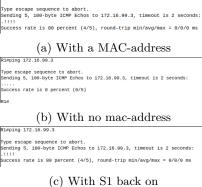


Figure 4: Ping from R1 to PC-A

# Reflection

- i) Why would you enable port security on a switch? To prevent unauthorized users to gain access to the LAN.
- ii) Why should unused ports on a switch be disabled?

Any enabled port not in use could allow someone to come in and plug into your network and gain access. So, it's best practice to disable any unused ports.