# **AWS GOV to Sentinel (using Logstash)**

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Goal:

This tutorial will go through the step-by-step process of ignesting a client's AWS CloudTrail and GuardDuty logs to a Sentinel instance.

#### Set up AWS

- 1. Log into Gov site: https://console.amazonaws-us-gov.com ☑
- 2. Create a new user account
  - Go to IAM
  - Under Access Management click Users
  - o At the top of the page click Add user

You'll get to the add user page. Fill it in accordingly:

### Add user











#### Set user details

You can add multiple users at once with the same access type and permissions. Learn more

User name\*

s3.aws sentinel

Add another user

#### Select AWS access type

Select how these users will access AWS. Access keys and autogenerated passwords are provided in the last step. Learn more

Access type<sup>∗</sup> ✓ Programmatic access

Enables an access key ID and secret access key for the AWS API, CLI, SDK, and other development tools.

AWS Management Console access

Enables a password that allows users to sign-in to the AWS Management Console.

- Click Next. You'll be taken to the Permissions page
- Click on Attach existing policies directly then Create policy

#### Add user



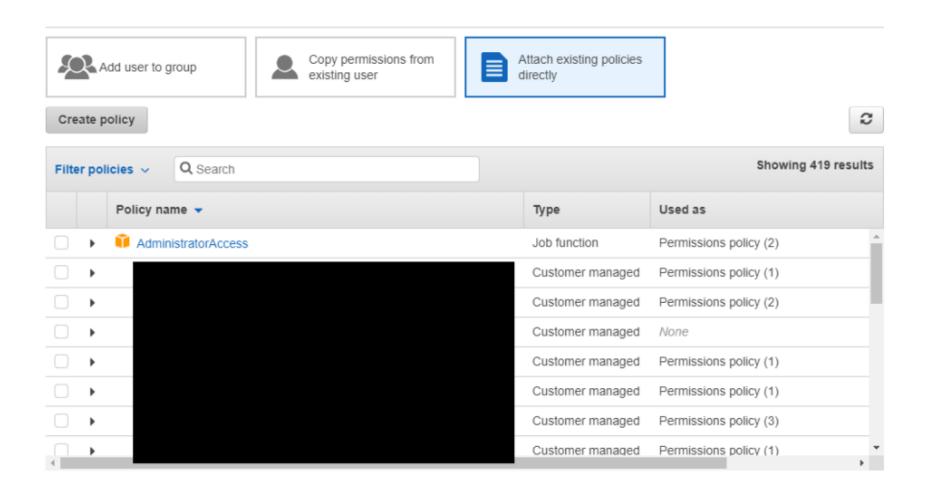








Set permissions



- Set permissions boundary
- o A new tab will open. Which takes you to the Create policy page
- o Create the new policy as JSON and paste the following JSON:

```
 \{ \ \ "Version": \ "2012-10-17", \ "Statement": \ [ \ \{ \ \ "Effect": \ "Allow", \ "Action": \ [ \ \ "s3: List Bucket", \ "s3: Get Object", \ "s3: List All My Buckets", \ "s3: List All My Buckets", \ "s3: List All My Buckets", \ "s4: List All My Buckets", \ "s5: List All My Buckets", \ "s5: List All My Buckets", \ "s6: List All My
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"kms:Decrypt" ], "Resource": "*" } ] }
Create policy
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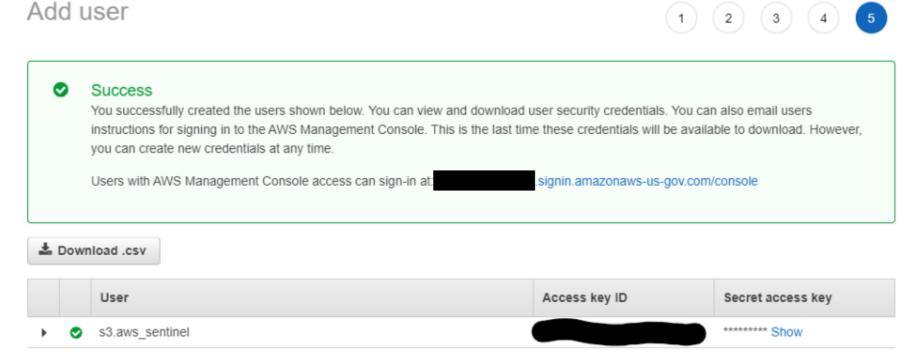
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A policy defines the AWS permissions that you can assign to a user, group, or role. You can create and edit a policy in the visual editor and using JSON. Learn more

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Import managed policy
Visual editor
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       "Version": "2012-10-17",
       "Statement": [
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           "Effect": "Allow",
           "Action": [
             "s3:ListBucket",
             "s3:GetObject",
             "s3:ListAllMyBuckets",
             "kms:Decrypt"
 10
 11
           "Resource": "*"
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15 }
```

- o Click the review policy button at the bottom of the page
- o Fill in the Name and description, then create the policy

- o Go back to the Add user page and refresh the policies so that the new one shows up
- · Attach the newly created policy to the user that is being created
- · Click next, you'll be taken to the tags page
- Add tags (if needed)
- o Click next, you'll be takenb to the review page
- o If everything looks good, click Create user
- You'll be taken to the credentials page for the user. MAKE SURE TO COPY THE Access key ID AND THE Secret access key in a notepad temporarily (or download the .csv):

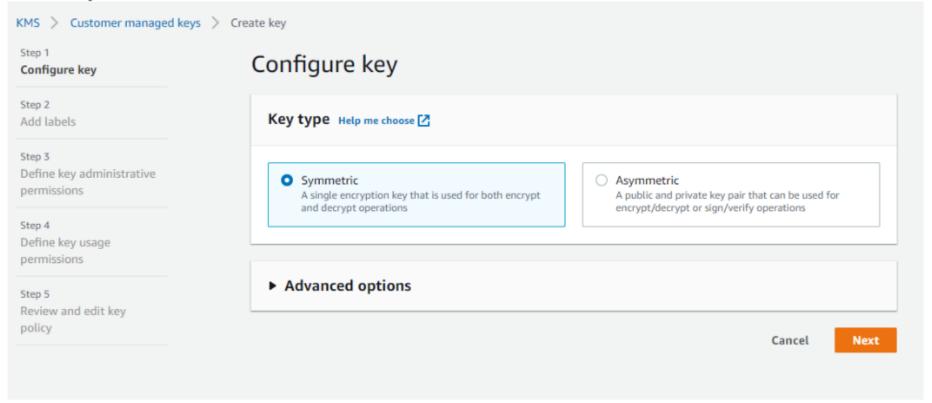


The user has been created

3. Create a symmetric encryption key\s\s

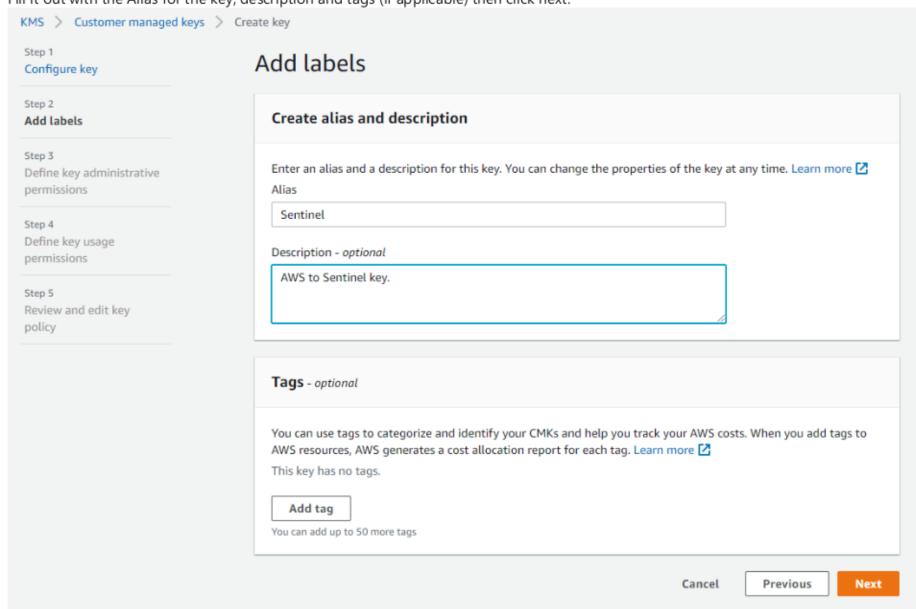
We're creating a symmetric key instead of an asymmetric key because of the logstash s3 plugin. It throws errors as the documentation states that the asymmetric key is used for signing and verifying operations which are not necessary for this use case.

- o Go to KMS and click on Create a Key
- o Make sure Symmetric is selected and click next:

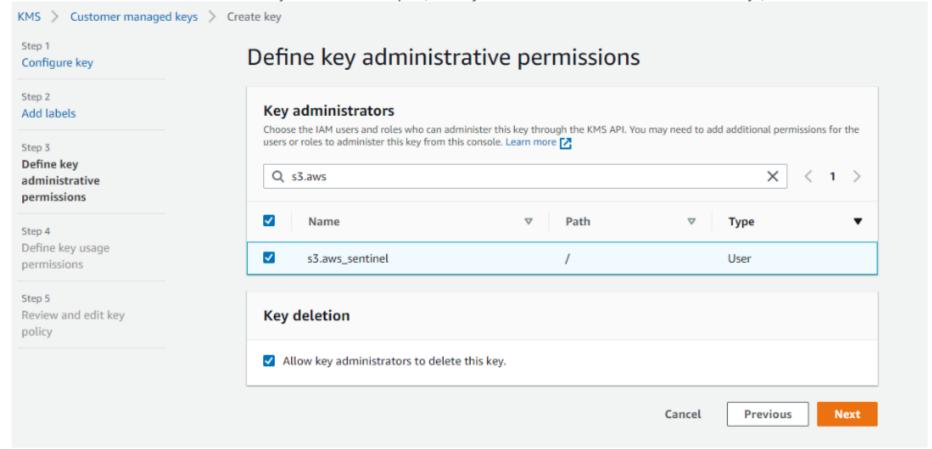


You'll be taken to the Add labels page

o Fill it out with the Alias for the key, description and tags (if applicable) then click next:

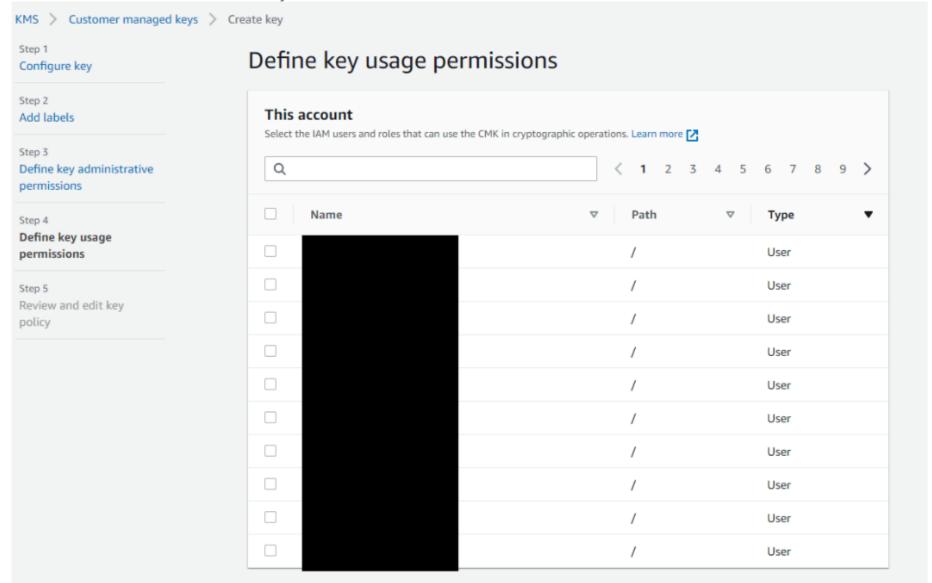


- o You'll be taken to the Define key administrative permissions page
- o Here, search for and select the new user you created in step 2 (and any other account that should administer keys) then click next:



o You'll be taken to the **Define key usage permissions** 

o Here, search for and select the GuardDuty service role and click next:



o You'll be taken to the Review and edit key policy page

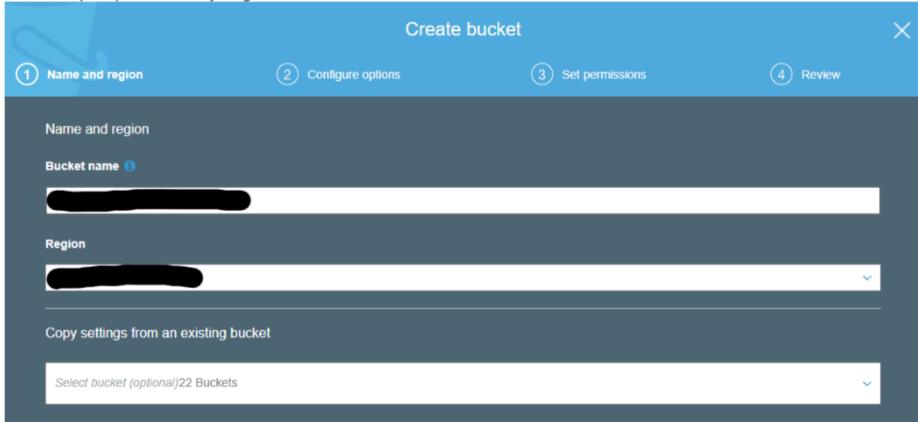
Here, paste the following two JSON formatted permissions:

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{ "Sid": "Allow GuardDuty to use the key", "Effect": "Allow", "Principal": { "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com" }, "Action":
"kms:GenerateDataKey", "Resource": "*" }
and
{ "Sid": "Allow Cloudtrail to use the key", "Effect": "Allow", "Principal": { "Service": "cloudtrail.amazonaws.com" }, "Action":
"kms:GenerateDataKey", "Resource": "*" }
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Click Finish

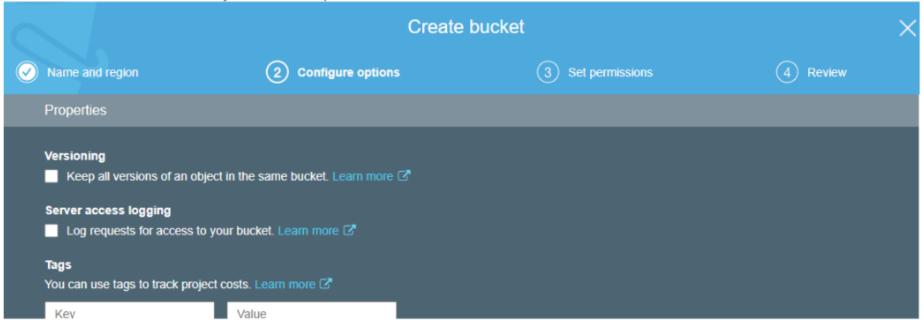
#### 4. Create new S3 bucket

- o Go to S3 service, then click on Create bucket
- o You will be prompted with everything that needs to be filled in:





- o Fill everything in and click next
- o You will be taken to the Properties tab, fill everything in and enable Default encryption
- o Select AWS-KMS, and use the key created in step 3





- o Then click next, you'll be taken to the bucket settings for public access
- Leave Block all public access selected and click next
- Review the bucket permissions and click Create bucket if everything is fine
- Go to the new bucket that was created and click on Permissions
- Then click on **Bucket Policy** where we will have to add a few custom permissions for GuardDuty to be able to do all the bucket operations needed.
- Use Notepad++ or some other editor and copy the JSON currently being used for the Bucket policy
- Then inside of the **Statement:** [] key, include the following JSON: { "Sid": "Allow GuardDuty to use the getBucketLocation operation", "Effect": "Allow", "Principal": { "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com" }, "Action": "s3:GetBucketLocation", "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName" }, { "Sid": "Allow GuardDuty to upload objects to the bucket", "Effect": "Allow", "Principal": { "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com" }, "Action": "s3:PutObject", "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/\*" }, { "Sid": "Deny unencrypted object uploads. This is optional", "Effect": "Deny", "Principal": { "Service": "Service": "Deny", "Principal": { "Service": "Deny

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"guardduty.amazonaws.com" }, "Action": "s3:PutObject", "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*", "Condition": { "StringNotEquals": {
  "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption": "aws:kms" } } }, { "Sid": "Deny incorrect encryption header. This is optional", "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": { "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com" }, "Action": "s3:PutObject", "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*", "Condition": {
  "StringNotEquals": { "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption-aws-kms-key-id": "arn:aws:kms:region:111122223333:key/KMSKeyId" } } }, { "Sid":
  "Deny non-HTTPS access", "Effect": "Deny", "Principal": "*", "Action": "s3:*", "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*", "Condition": {
  "Bool": { "aws:SecureTransport": "false" } }

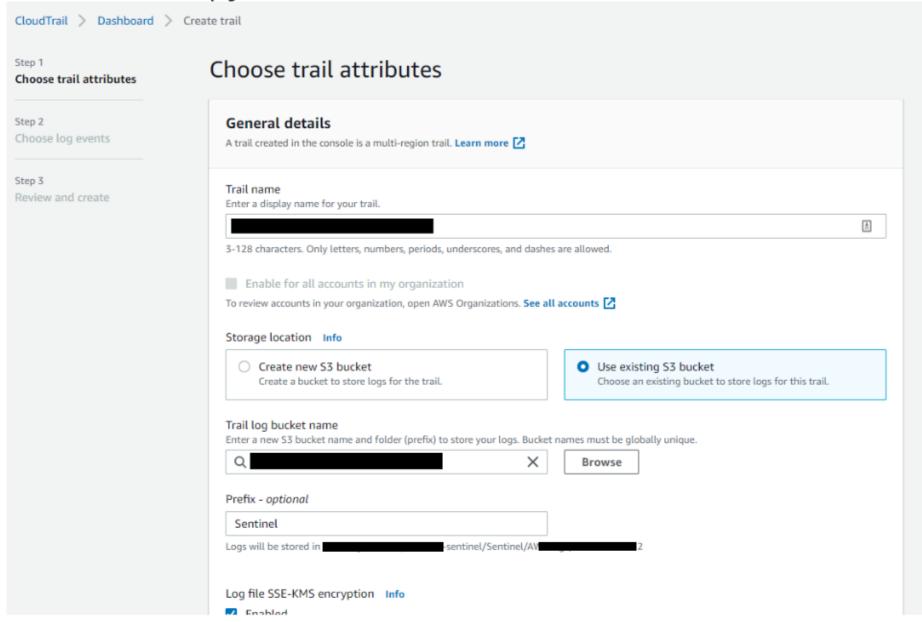
    It will look something like this:

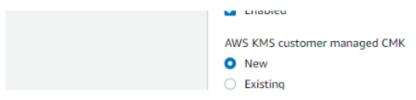
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         "Version": "2012-10-17",
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         "Statement": [
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             "Sid": "Allow GuardDuty to use the getBucketLocation operation",
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             "Effect": "Allow",
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             "Principal": {
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               "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com"
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             "Action": "s3:GetBucketLocation".
  .1
             "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName"
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           },
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  .4
             "Sid": "Allow GuardDuty to upload objects to the bucket",
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             "Effect": "Allow",
  .6
             "Principal": {
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               "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com"
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             },
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             "Action": "s3:PutObject",
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             "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*"
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             "Effect": "Deny",
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             "Principal": {
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               "Service": "quardduty.amazonaws.com"
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             "Action": "s3:PutObject",
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             "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*",
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          "Effect": "Deny",
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          "Principal": {
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            "Service": "guardduty.amazonaws.com"
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          "Action": "s3:PutObject",
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          "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*",
4
          "Condition": {
5
           "StringNotEquals": {
6
              "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption-aws-kms-key-id": "arn:aws:kms:region:111122223333:key/KMSKeyId"
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       },
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         "Sid": "Deny non-HTTPS access",
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         "Effect": "Denv",
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       "Principal": "*",
       "Action": "s3:*",
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         "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myBucketName/*",
          "Condition": {
           "Bool": {
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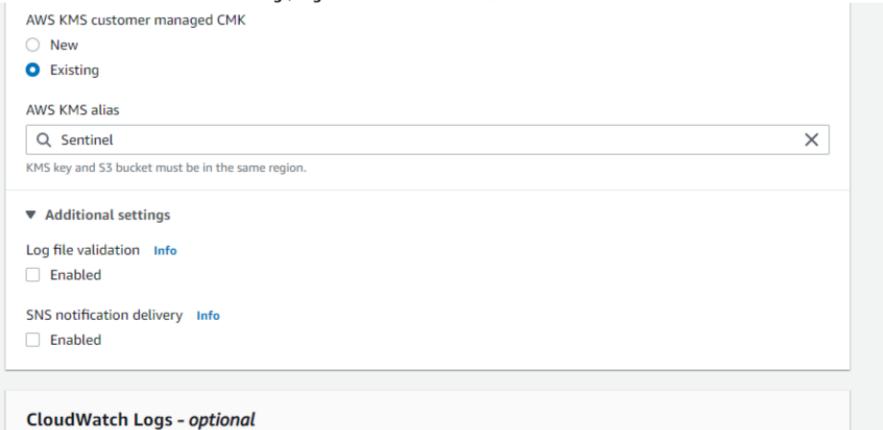
- o Make sure to Replace myBucketName with the name of the bucket that you're adding the bucket policy for
- o Replace region with the Region that the KMS key is in
- o Replace 111122223333 with the AWS account number of the account that owns the bucket
- o Replace KMSKeyld with the key ID of the key that you chose for encryption
- Then paste the full JSON back into AWS's JSON bucket policy editor
- o The end result should be around 86 lines of JSON
- Click Save
- 5. Set up CloudTrail
  - o Go to the CloudTrail service and click Create trail

o In the Choose trail attributes page fill out the relevant data:



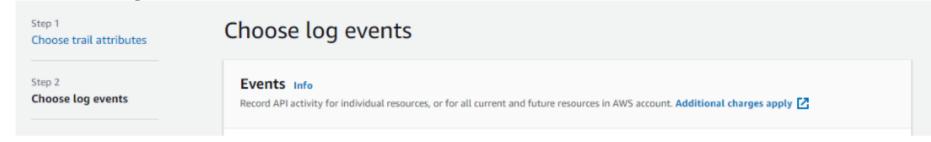


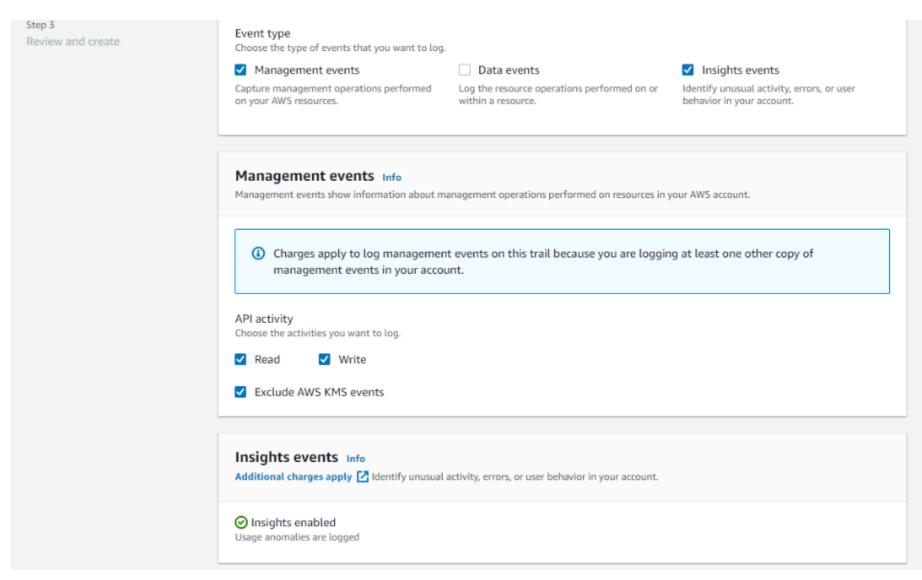
- o Make sure that you use the S3 bucket created in step 4
- For the Prefix write Sentine!
- o Make sure that encryption is enabled
- o Chooose an existing AWS KMS customer managed CMK, and search for the key we initially created
- o Then make sure that in Additional settings, Log file validation is disabled



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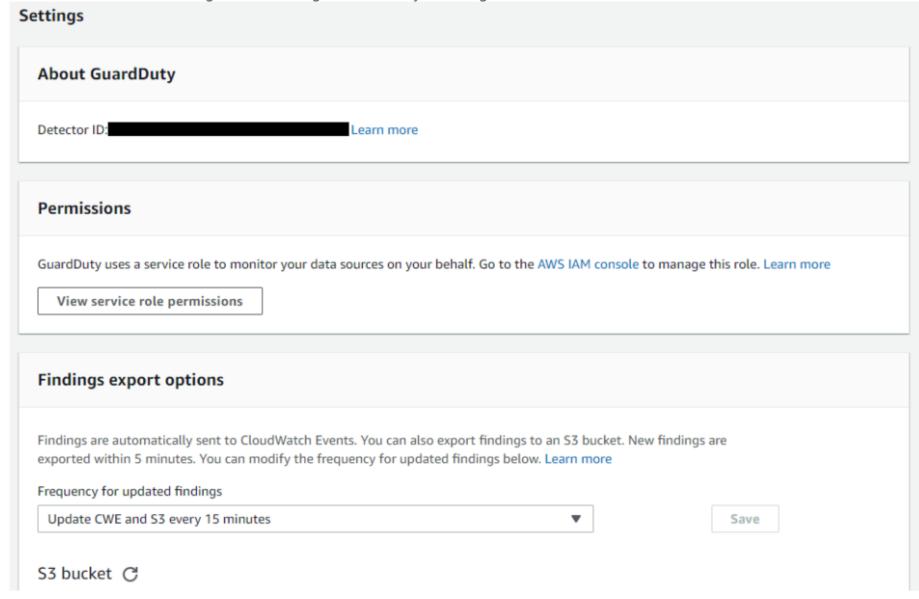
- $\circ~$  Click next and you'll be taken to the Choose log events~page
- o Choose Management events and Insight events to be logged
- o Also, under Management events select Exclude AWS KMS events and click next:





- o Review the new CloudTrail and if everything looks good, finish the creation
- 6. Set up GuardDuty
  - o Go to GuardDuty

- o On the left-hand side click Settings
- o You will be taken to the settings where nothing should already be configured:



- Only change the Finding export options
- In the dropdown select Update CWE and S3 every 15 minutes
- In the S3 bucket section, click Configure now
- Make sure to use the existing bucket that was created earlier
- For the Log file prefix write Sentinel
- KMS encryption: choose key from your account and search for the key created in step 3
- Click Save
- 7. Set up CloudWatch (If CloudWatch is being used in the customer's environment)
  - NOTES: Was able to get the requests module working with the lambda function that will send SNS messages to Sentinel.
  - TODO: Upload custom lambda function.zip, which has python environment dependencies.

#### Set up Logstash

- 1. Create a new Ubuntu / CentOS machine instance to install Logstash
  - Minimum RAM requirements: 4GBs
  - Minimum 2CPUs
- 2. SSH into the machine with a privileged account and escalate to root with sudo su
- 3. Change to the /tmp directory to store the the onboarding script: cd /tmp
- 4. Download the set-up script script from TODO [link] and check the SHA1 hash with: Curl [link] > logstash\_setup.sh && echo "SHA1 Checksum: sha1sum logstash\_setup.sh "
  - The correct SHA1 hash should be: fcfe3ec8a6a56bc7c626e42254c633e65ac4f2e4 as of 9/17/2020

- 5. If the hash checks out, make the script executable and run it with: chmod logstash\_setup.sh +x && ./logstash\_setup.sh
- 6. Edit configuration vim /etc/logstash/conf.d/s3\_sentinel.conf
  - · Make sure to fill in the access key id of the user created in the Setup AWS section
  - · Also the secret access key from the same user created
  - The bucket section is the S3 bucket created previously
  - The prefix is "Sentinel/"
  - o For the output, make sure to fill in the workspace ID and the workspace Key of the Sentinel instance
  - o If the customer's azure instance is not a "gov" environment, comment out the endpoint => "ods.opinsights.azure.us" line
  - A special filter that works with large customers is now needed (the current config created by the script does not account for extremely large JSONs). This filter is needed because Sentinel by default cannot ingest such large documents. Therefore the logs created by AWS need to be split into events and those events need to be sent one by one inside of the "message" field to be parsed in KQL. Also, the GuardDuty logs do not come in the same format so we have to make sure that we prune out everything except the metadata and the message field from the GuardDuty logs. This is the filter:

```
# AWS S3 -> Logstash -> Elasticsearch pipeline.
# References:
   https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/logstash/current/plugins-inputs-s3.html
   https://www.elastic.co/blog/logstash-lines-inproved-resilience-in-S3-input
# https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/logstash/current/working-with-plugins.html
input {
  s3 {
    "access key id" => "
    "secret_access_key" => "
    "region" => "us-gov-west-1"
    "bucket" => "
                                         -sentinel"
    "prefix" => "Sentinel/AW
    "interval" => "10"
   #"additional_settings" => {
   ## "force path style" => true
   ## "follow_redirects" => false
filter {
  json {
   source => "message"
  if [Records] {
   mutate {
     remove_field => ["message"]
     add_tag => "CloudTrail"
   split {
     field => "Records"
      add_field => {"message"}
      target => "message"
   mutate {
     add_field => {"message" => "%{Records}"}
     remove_field => ["Records"]
  else if [service][serviceName] == "guardduty" {
     whitelist_names => ["message", "@version", "@timestamp"]
   mutate {
```

- 7. Test configuration /usr/share/bin/logstash -f s3\_sentinel.conf -t
- 8. If the configuration checks out, start logstash with systemctl start logstash