



IAS322 – Information Assurance and Security 2
MIDTERM

Name: _____ Section: _____

Test I: True or False (2 points each item a total of 30 points)

Write T if the statement is True and F if the statement False.

- _____ 1. Cybersecurity is only the responsibility of IT professionals, not employees.
- _____ 2. Regularly updating software and applications helps protect against security vulnerabilities.
- _____ 3. Ransomware encrypts files and demands payment for their release.
- _____ 4. Cybercriminals only target financial institutions and big companies
- _____ 5. Antivirus software can protect against all types of cyber threats
- _____ 6. Using the same password for multiple accounts is a good security practice.
- _____ 7. Phishing attacks trick users into providing personal information by pretending to be a trustworthy source.
- _____ 8. Encryption retrieves the original data
- _____ 9. Decryption converts plaintext to protect data
- _____ 10. Symmetric encryption uses different key
- _____ 11. Asymmetric encryption uses two key public and private keys
- _____ 12. The purpose of encryption is to make data unreadable forever.
- _____ 13. Cryptography is only useful for securing online transactions
- _____ 14. Algorithm a sequence of steps how to solve problem
- _____ 15. The Caesar cipher uses a different key for encryption and decryption

Testing II: Matching Type (2 points each item a total of 20 points)

Match the type in Column A with its definition in Column B. Write your answer in the provided space.

- _____ 1. Pretexting
- _____ 2. Baiting
- _____ 3. Algorithm
- _____ 4. Caesar Algorithm
- _____ 5. Phising
- _____ 6. Security Consultant

7. Ethical Hacker
 8. Security Architect
 9. Chief Information Security Officer
 10. Cryptography

Column A (Terms)		Column B (Descriptions)	
1	Pretexting	a	Is the Science of encoding and decoding information to prevent unauthorized access.
2	Baiting	b	Oversee day to day operations.
3	Algorithms	c	Cybersecurity professional who serves as an adviser and consultant about technology. Assess Security Risk and Threats.
4	Caesar Algorithm	d	Cybersecurity professional who's in charge of maintaining company security and staying updated on the latest security trends and threats.
5	Phishing	e	Is a social engineering attack that lures victims with something tempting, like free coupon, promo or downloads, to spread malware or steal data.
6	Security Consultant	f	Step-by-step procedure or set of rules designed to solve a problem or perform a task.
7	Ethical Hacker	g	form of social engineering attack where a cybercriminal creates a false identity or scenario to trick a victim into revealing sensitive information.
8	Security Architect	h	Is a social engineering attack where attackers use fake emails or websites to trick victims into revealing sensitive information like passwords or credit card details.
9	Chief Information Security Officer	i	Cybersecurity professional who lawfully tests and secures systems by finding and fixing vulnerabilities before malicious hackers can exploit them.
10	Cryptography	j	Is one of the simplest and most well-known encryption techniques.

Test III: Problem Solving (50 pts)

Show your solution, and put your answer on the back of this questionnaire.

Encrypt the plaintext message:

"Hello, World!" using ChaCha20 Algorithm. Find the ciphertext (hexadecimal output).

Using the following parameters:

- a. 256-bit Key (32 bytes, in hexadecimal)
- b. 96-bit Nonce (12 bytes, in hexadecimal)
- c. Counter: 1 (starting from 1 instead of 0)

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