Cloud Security Risk Checklist

Critical misconfigurations to fix first in AWS, Azure, or GCP — prioritized by business risk.

Top 5 Cloud Misconfigurations

- 1. Public S3 buckets
- 2. Open security groups
- 3. Unencrypted databases
- 4. Default admin credentials
- 5. Lack of MFA

Access Control Best Practices

- Enforce least privilege
- Use IAM roles instead of static keys
- Rotate credentials regularly

Encryption & Monitoring Essentials

- Enable encryption at rest & in transit
- Set up CloudTrail or Azure Monitor
- Automate alerts for critical events

Shared Responsibility Model – Explained

You secure your applications and data; the cloud provider secures the infrastructure.

Checklist for Secure Cloud Environments

- MFA enabled
- Backups configured
- Logging active
- No exposed ports

Pro Tips from CISSP Experts

- Review logs weekly
- Scan infrastructure monthly

Document all security decisions							