

◊ EASY (Q1–Q10)

Q1. SSE-CMM stands for:

- A. Secure Software Engineering Capability Model
- B. Systems Security Engineering – Capability Maturity Model
- C. Security Services Evaluation Capability Model
- D. Software Security Enhancement Control Model

Q2. SSE-CMM primarily focuses on:

- A. Network penetration testing
- B. Security engineering process maturity
- C. Compliance certification
- D. Incident response automation

Q3. SSE-CMM is MOST closely related to which type of model?

- A. OSI model
- B. Capability maturity model
- C. Network architecture model
- D. Risk assessment model

Q4. SSE-CMM was developed to address security in:

- A. Operational systems only
- B. Software coding only
- C. Systems engineering lifecycle
- D. Network devices only

Q5. SSE-CMM evaluates security capability at the level of:

- A. Individual tools
- B. Technical controls
- C. Organizational processes
- D. Single applications

Q6. SSE-CMM maturity focuses on improving:

- A. Technology speed
- B. Security processes and practices
- C. Hardware performance
- D. Audit frequency

Q7. SSE-CMM is BEST described as:

- A. A compliance regulation
- B. A maturity assessment framework
- C. A technical security standard
- D. A certification authority

Q8. SSE-CMM primarily supports which security discipline?

- A. Network security
- B. Systems security engineering
- C. Application testing
- D. Digital forensics

Q9. SSE-CMM is MOST useful for organizations that want to:

- A. Achieve ISO certification quickly
- B. Improve security engineering capability
- C. Replace audits
- D. Eliminate cyber risks

Q10. SSE-CMM focuses on security as a:

- A. Technical add-on
 - B. End-user responsibility
 - C. Engineering discipline
 - D. Compliance requirement
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◊ MEDIUM (Q11–Q25)

Q11. The primary goal of SSE-CMM is to:

- A. Identify vulnerabilities
- B. Measure and improve security engineering processes
- C. Enforce regulations
- D. Automate controls

Q12. SSE-CMM maturity levels indicate:

- A. Number of tools deployed
- B. Degree of process capability
- C. Compliance score
- D. Risk rating

Q13. SSE-CMM assesses security practices across:

- A. Isolated departments
- B. Entire systems lifecycle
- C. Network perimeter only
- D. Incident response phase

Q14. Which organization type MOST benefits from SSE-CMM?

- A. Small retail shops
- B. Organizations developing complex systems
- C. Individual developers
- D. End users

Q15. SSE-CMM differs from ISO 27001 because it focuses MORE on:

- A. Certification
- B. Governance controls
- C. Engineering process maturity
- D. Legal compliance

Q16. Which activity is central to SSE-CMM assessments?

- A. Penetration testing
- B. Process evaluation
- C. Configuration hardening
- D. Log analysis

Q17. SSE-CMM supports security governance by:

- A. Enforcing penalties
- B. Providing process capability insights
- C. Eliminating audits
- D. Issuing certifications

Q18. SSE-CMM maturity improvement is achieved through:

- A. One-time assessment
- B. Continuous process improvement
- C. Tool replacement
- D. Annual audits only

Q19. SSE-CMM primarily addresses which security dimension?

- A. Technical safeguards
- B. Process capability
- C. Legal compliance
- D. User behavior

Q20. Which concept is fundamental to SSE-CMM?

- A. Defense-in-depth
- B. Capability maturity
- C. Zero trust
- D. Encryption

Q21. SSE-CMM assessments are MOST useful for identifying:

- A. Software bugs
- B. Process strengths and weaknesses
- C. Malware infections
- D. Regulatory gaps

Q22. SSE-CMM can be applied during which phase of system development?

- A. Design only
- B. Implementation only
- C. Entire system lifecycle
- D. Deployment only

Q23. SSE-CMM maturity results are BEST used to:

- A. Replace audits
- B. Plan process improvements
- C. Certify compliance
- D. Enforce discipline

Q24. SSE-CMM encourages security to be:

- A. Reactive
- B. Tool-driven
- C. Built-in from early stages
- D. Outsourced

Q25. SSE-CMM aligns MOST closely with which improvement philosophy?

- A. Ad-hoc security
 - B. Continuous improvement
 - C. Incident-driven response
 - D. Compliance checklist
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△ HARD (Q26–Q40)

Q26. Which scenario BEST illustrates SSE-CMM application?

- A. Conducting vulnerability scans
- B. Measuring maturity of security engineering processes
- C. Performing SOC audits
- D. Enforcing regulatory compliance

Q27. An organization with low SSE-CMM maturity MOST likely exhibits:

- A. Consistent security practices
- B. Ad-hoc and inconsistent security engineering
- C. Optimized governance
- D. Predictive risk management

Q28. Which limitation MOST applies to SSE-CMM?

- A. Lack of security focus
- B. High implementation complexity
- C. No relevance to engineering
- D. Mandatory certification

Q29. SSE-CMM complements ISO 27001 by addressing:

- A. Financial reporting
- B. Security engineering maturity
- C. Compliance enforcement
- D. Network monitoring

Q30. Which factor MOST influences SSE-CMM assessment outcomes?

- A. Organization size
- B. Process documentation and consistency
- C. Number of security tools
- D. External regulations

Q31. SSE-CMM maturity levels MOST closely resemble:

- A. OSI layers
- B. CMMI levels
- C. TCP/IP stack
- D. ITIL practices

Q32. Treating SSE-CMM as a checklist MOST likely results in:

- A. Optimized engineering
- B. Superficial maturity claims
- C. Improved assurance
- D. Reduced risk

Q33. SSE-CMM is MOST valuable for organizations building:

- A. Simple websites
- B. Mission-critical systems
- C. Personal applications
- D. Static content

Q34. Which governance weakness MOST reduces SSE-CMM effectiveness?

- A. Strong leadership
- B. Lack of management commitment
- C. Clear process ownership
- D. Continuous review

Q35. SSE-CMM primarily measures capability at which level?

- A. Individual employee
- B. Organizational process
- C. Single system
- D. External vendor

Q36. SSE-CMM maturity improvement requires:

- A. Tool upgrades only
- B. Cultural and process change
- C. External certification
- D. Regulatory enforcement

Q37. Which security principle is reinforced MOST by SSE-CMM?

- A. Zero trust
- B. Security by design
- C. Encryption everywhere
- D. Network isolation

Q38. SSE-CMM adoption without metrics MOST likely leads to:

- A. Clear improvement tracking
- B. Inability to measure progress
- C. Reduced assessment effort
- D. Guaranteed maturity

Q39. SSE-CMM findings are MOST useful for:

- A. End users
- B. Senior management and engineering leadership
- C. Attackers
- D. Customers only

Q40. The PRIMARY objective of SSE-CMM is to:

- A. Certify security products
- B. Improve security engineering process maturity
- C. Replace security audits
- D. Eliminate cyber threats