

◇ EASY (Q1–Q10)

Q1. Authentication protocols are primarily designed to:

- A. Encrypt data
- B. Verify identity securely
- C. Store passwords
- D. Manage networks

Q2. Which protocol is commonly used for centralized authentication in enterprise networks?

- A. FTP
- B. Kerberos
- C. HTTP
- D. SMTP

Q3. FIDO authentication aims to eliminate:

- A. Encryption
- B. Certificates
- C. Passwords
- D. Tokens

Q4. Zero Trust Architecture is based on which core principle?

- A. Trust internal networks
- B. Trust but verify
- C. Never trust, always verify
- D. Trust certificates only

Q5. Which authentication factor is primarily used in FIDO?

- A. Password
- B. Biometric or hardware-based
- C. Knowledge-based questions
- D. CAPTCHA

Q6. Which protocol uses tickets for authentication?

- A. OAuth
- B. Kerberos
- C. LDAP
- D. RADIUS

Q7. Which Zero Trust component continuously evaluates access requests?

- A. Firewall
- B. Policy engine
- C. IDS
- D. VPN

Q8. Which FIDO standard supports web-based authentication?

- A. FIDO UAF

- B. FIDO U2F
- C. WebAuthn
- D. SAML

Q9. Which protocol commonly works with Kerberos for directory authentication?

- A. FTP
- B. SMTP
- C. LDAP
- D. ICMP

Q10. Zero Trust focuses MOST on protecting:

- A. Perimeter only
- B. Endpoints only
- C. Data and identities
- D. Network devices

◆ MEDIUM (Q11–Q25)

Q11. Which authentication protocol provides mutual authentication by default?

- A. RADIUS
- B. Kerberos
- C. PAP
- D. CHAP

Q12. Which attack does Kerberos MOST effectively mitigate?

- A. Replay attack
- B. Brute-force attack
- C. Side-channel attack
- D. Phishing attack

Q13. Which FIDO component securely stores private keys?

- A. Server database
- B. Authentication server
- C. Authenticator device
- D. Browser cache

Q14. Which Zero Trust concept replaces traditional network trust boundaries?

- A. VPN
- B. Micro-segmentation
- C. NAT
- D. DMZ

Q15. Which protocol supports passwordless authentication using public-key cryptography?

- A. LDAP

- B. RADIUS
- C. FIDO2
- D. PAP

Q16. Which Kerberos ticket allows access to specific services?

- A. Authentication Service Ticket
- B. Ticket Granting Ticket
- C. Service Ticket
- D. Session Key

Q17. Which Zero Trust pillar ensures users have only necessary access?

- A. Visibility
- B. Least privilege
- C. Availability
- D. Encryption

Q18. Which authentication protocol is MOST vulnerable to credential replay?

- A. Kerberos
- B. OAuth
- C. PAP
- D. FIDO

Q19. Which FIDO advantage MOST improves resistance to phishing?

- A. Password complexity
- B. Server-side key storage
- C. Origin binding
- D. Centralized identity

Q20. Which Zero Trust practice continuously verifies device posture?

- A. Static ACLs
- B. Continuous authentication
- C. VLAN segmentation
- D. NAT

Q21. Which authentication protocol uses shared secrets and challenge-response?

- A. PAP
- B. CHAP
- C. Kerberos
- D. OAuth

Q22. Which FIDO standard supports cross-platform authentication?

- A. UAF
- B. U2F
- C. FIDO2
- D. OTP

Q23. Which Zero Trust model assumes breach and limits blast radius?

- A. Perimeter security
- B. Defense in depth
- C. Assume breach
- D. Trust zones

Q24. Which authentication protocol is commonly used for network access control (Wi-Fi, VPN)?

- A. RADIUS
- B. Kerberos
- C. OpenID
- D. TLS

Q25. Which Zero Trust outcome MOST improves insider threat mitigation?

- A. Strong encryption
 - B. Continuous monitoring and access re-evaluation
 - C. Firewalls
 - D. NAT
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◇ HARD (Q26–Q40)

Q26. Which authentication failure MOST undermines Kerberos security?

- A. Long passwords
- B. Clock synchronization issues
- C. Strong encryption
- D. Ticket expiration

Q27. Which attack is MOST difficult against FIDO-based authentication?

- A. Brute-force
- B. Phishing
- C. Replay
- D. Shoulder surfing

Q28. Which Zero Trust component makes real-time access decisions?

- A. Policy enforcement point
- B. Policy engine
- C. Firewall
- D. Proxy

Q29. Which Kerberos weakness requires secure time synchronization?

- A. Dictionary attacks
- B. Replay attacks
- C. MITM attacks
- D. Side-channel attacks

Q30. Which FIDO implementation risk arises if authenticators are lost?

- A. Loss of encryption
- B. Account lockout without recovery
- C. Hash collision
- D. Network failure

Q31. Which Zero Trust architecture principle enforces segmentation at workload level?

- A. Perimeter security
- B. Macro-segmentation
- C. Micro-segmentation
- D. VLAN tagging

Q32. Which authentication protocol relies on a centralized Key Distribution Center (KDC)?

- A. OAuth
- B. Kerberos
- C. RADIUS
- D. LDAP

Q33. Which Zero Trust strategy MOST reduces lateral movement?

- A. VPN tunneling
- B. Micro-segmentation
- C. Strong hashing
- D. NAT

Q34. Which FIDO design choice prevents credential reuse across sites?

- A. Long passwords
- B. Origin-bound keys
- C. Centralized authentication
- D. Encryption

Q35. Which authentication protocol is MOST susceptible to offline password guessing?

- A. Kerberos
- B. FIDO
- C. PAP
- D. OAuth

Q36. Which Zero Trust telemetry source is MOST critical for adaptive access?

- A. IP address only
- B. User behavior and device posture
- C. MAC address
- D. Network bandwidth

Q37. Which Kerberos ticket compromise exposes ALL services in a session?

- A. Service Ticket
- B. Authentication Service Ticket

- C. Ticket Granting Ticket
- D. Session key

Q38. Which Zero Trust mistake MOST undermines its effectiveness?

- A. Continuous verification
- B. Static trust assumptions
- C. Micro-segmentation
- D. Strong identity

Q39. Which FIDO deployment BEST supports enterprise passwordless strategy?

- A. Software-only OTP
- B. Hardware-backed FIDO2 authenticators
- C. SMS-based MFA
- D. Graphical passwords

Q40. Which statement BEST summarizes Zero Trust and FIDO synergy?

- A. They replace PKI
- B. They reduce reliance on passwords and network trust
- C. They eliminate encryption
- D. They prevent all attacks