

◊ EASY (Q1–Q10)

Q1. Which model defines Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability?

- A. OSI model
- B. CIA triad
- C. TCP/IP model
- D. AAA model

Q2. A firewall primarily provides which security control?

- A. Corrective
- B. Detective
- C. Preventive
- D. Compensating

Q3. Which tool is used for packet capture and protocol analysis?

- A. OpenVAS
- B. Wireshark
- C. Nagios
- D. Snort

Q4. A vulnerability is best described as:

- A. A malicious act
- B. A system weakness
- C. An attacker
- D. A security policy

Q5. Which firewall inspects only packet headers?

- A. Proxy firewall
- B. NGFW
- C. Packet filtering firewall
- D. WAF

Q6. VPNs primarily secure data over:

- A. Private leased lines
- B. Public networks
- C. LAN only
- D. Offline networks

Q7. IDS systems mainly perform which function?

- A. Blocking attacks
- B. Detecting attacks
- C. Encrypting traffic
- D. Load balancing

Q8. Nagios is mainly used to monitor:

- A. Intrusions
- B. Availability and performance
- C. Malware signatures
- D. Encryption strength

Q9. Syslog traditionally uses which UDP port?

- A. 22
- B. 80
- C. 443
- D. 514

Q10. DoS attacks mainly impact which security goal?

- A. Confidentiality
 - B. Integrity
 - C. Availability
 - D. Authentication
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◊ MEDIUM (Q11–Q25)

Q11. Risk is best expressed as:

- A. Threat + Asset
- B. Vulnerability + Control
- C. Threat × Vulnerability × Impact
- D. Asset – Control

Q12. Which firewall architecture places public servers between two firewalls?

- A. Screened host
- B. DMZ with dual firewall
- C. Packet filter only
- D. Proxy-only

Q13. Which iptables chain processes packets destined for the local host?

- A. OUTPUT
- B. FORWARD
- C. INPUT
- D. PREROUTING

Q14. Which VPN protocol provides network-layer security?

- A. SSL
- B. PPTP
- C. IPsec
- D. HTTPS

Q15. Which IDS type monitors a single host?

- A. NIDS
- B. HIDS
- C. DIDS
- D. IPS

Q16. Which attack phase includes port scanning?

- A. Exploitation
- B. Privilege escalation
- C. Reconnaissance
- D. Persistence

Q17. Which log source best detects brute-force attacks?

- A. DNS logs
- B. Authentication logs
- C. Proxy logs
- D. Application logs

Q18. Which DoS mitigation limits connections per IP?

- A. Encryption
- B. Rate limiting
- C. Load balancing
- D. Logging

Q19. Which IDS detection method uses known attack patterns?

- A. Anomaly-based
- B. Behavioral
- C. Signature-based
- D. Heuristic

Q20. Which Nagios component performs system checks?

- A. Core daemon
- B. Plugin
- C. Web UI
- D. Event handler

Q21. Which IPsec protocol manages key exchange?

- A. AH
- B. ESP
- C. IKE
- D. HMAC

Q22. Why SIEM correlation is important?

- A. Reduces storage
- B. Detects multi-stage attacks

- C. Encrypts logs
- D. Replaces IDS

Q23. Which IDS architecture scales best in enterprises?

- A. Standalone IDS
- B. Host-only IDS
- C. Distributed IDS
- D. Inline IDS

Q24. Which tool visualizes Snort alerts via web interface?

- A. Kibana
- B. BASE
- C. Nagios
- D. OpenVAS

Q25. Which VPN type connects branch offices?

- A. Remote access VPN
 - B. Mobile VPN
 - C. Site-to-site VPN
 - D. Personal VPN
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△ HARD (Q26–Q40)

Q26. Which risk treatment accepts potential loss?

- A. Avoidance
- B. Mitigation
- C. Transfer
- D. Acceptance

Q27. Why stateful firewalls are more secure than stateless ones?

- A. Faster routing
- B. Track connection state
- C. Use encryption
- D. Perform NAT

Q28. Which IDS evasion technique splits payloads?

- A. Encoding
- B. Flooding
- C. Fragmentation
- D. Spoofing

Q29. Which IPsec mode encrypts the entire original IP packet?

- A. Transport mode

- B. Tunnel mode
- C. Split tunnel
- D. Hybrid mode

Q30. Why split tunneling increases risk?

- A. Higher latency
- B. Data leakage
- C. CPU overhead
- D. Routing loops

Q31. Which DoS attack targets application resources?

- A. ICMP flood
- B. SYN flood
- C. HTTP GET flood
- D. UDP flood

Q32. Which IDS placement best detects lateral movement?

- A. Internet gateway
- B. DMZ only
- C. Internal network segments
- D. External router

Q33. Why encrypted traffic reduces IDS visibility?

- A. Headers are hidden
- B. Payload inspection is not possible
- C. Routing fails
- D. Logs are disabled

Q34. Which SIEM component performs correlation?

- A. Log collector
- B. Storage layer
- C. Correlation engine
- D. Dashboard

Q35. Which IDS evasion exploits protocol ambiguities?

- A. Encoding
- B. Flooding
- C. Protocol manipulation
- D. Timing attack

Q36. Which Nagios observation may indicate DDoS?

- A. File deletion
- B. Sudden CPU and latency spike
- C. Password change
- D. Log rotation

Q37. Why insider threats are difficult to detect?

- A. Use malware
- B. Appear as legitimate users
- C. Use DDoS
- D. Disable IDS

Q38. Which IPsec feature prevents replay attacks?

- A. Encryption
- B. Sequence numbers
- C. NAT traversal
- D. Key lifetime

Q39. Which combined approach gives strongest SOC visibility?

- A. Firewall only
- B. IDS only
- C. IDS + SIEM + Monitoring
- D. Antivirus only

Q40. Why defence-in-depth is effective?

- A. Eliminates all threats
- B. Single strong firewall
- C. Multiple layered controls
- D. Reduces encryption cost