# 1.6 – ITN - PacketKnows – Configuring Secure Passwords and SSH

# **Addressing Table**

Device	Interface	Address	Subnet Mask	Default Gateway
RTA	Fa0/0	192.168.1.1	255.255.255.0	N/A
S1	Vlan 1	192.168.1.2	255.255.255.0	N/A

#### **NOTE**

- Power all the devices first by clicking the triangle button on the upper navbar.
- Right click the device then click the web console first to configure on the device.
- Always type "save" when configuring IP addresses of PC's.

# **Scenario**

The network administrator has asked you to prepare RTA for deployment. Before it can be connected to the network, security measures must be enabled.

# Requirements

- Configure IP addressing on S1 according to the Addressing Table.
- Configure IP addressing on RTA and enable the interface.
- Configure the hostname as RTA.
- Encrypt all plaintext passwords.
- Configure SSH on RTA and Switch0

Configuration Guide: Setting Up IP Addressing, VLAN, Hostname, Password Encryption, and SSH

Part 1: Configuring RTA Router

**Steps:** 

### 1. Configure IP Addressing on RTA:

- Enter global configuration mode:
- Change hostname of R1 to **RTA** and Access the FastEthernet interface and assign IP address and subnet mask:

### 2. Set Up Hostname and Password Encryption:

- Set hostname to RTA:
- Encrypt passwords:

## 3. Generate RSA Keys and Configure SSH:

- Generate RSA keys (choose 1024 bits when prompted):
- Configure SSH version 2 and set the domain name:
- Create a local username and password for SSH login:

## 4. Configure SSH Access:

- Set up login failure rate limiting:
- Access VTY lines, allow SSH access, and enable local login:

# 5. Save Configuration and Exit:

• Save the configuration changes:

### Part 2: Configuring S1

#### **Steps:**

#### 1. Configure VLAN and IP Addressing:

- Enter global configuration mode:
  - Access VLAN 1 and assign IP address and subnet mask:

#### 2. Enable SSH and Set Up Local Login:

- Set the domain name:
- Create a local username and password for SSH login:
- Generate RSA keys (choose 1024 bits when prompted):
- Configure SSH version 2:
- Access VTY lines, allow SSH access, and enable local login:

# 3. Save Configuration and Exit:

• Save the configuration changes:

**Note:** Ensure that you are in the appropriate configuration mode before executing commands. Verify connectivity after the configurations to confirm proper setup.

## Part 3: Verifying SSH Connection between RTA and S1

After configuring SSH on RTA and Switch0, it's important to verify that SSH connectivity is successfully established between the RTA router and S1 switch. Here's how you can do it:

## **Test SSH Connectivity:**

• From RTA, attempt to SSH into S1 using the configured username and password:

RTA#ssh -1 any user192.168.1.2

password: cisco

Verify successful SSH login and access to S1.

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