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Ethical Hacking and Countermeasures Glossary

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- TCP/IP Hijacking: TCP/IP hijacking involves using spoofed packets to seize control of a connection between a victim and target machine.
- Two-Factor Authentication: A two-factor authentication provides an extra layer of protection as it provides another vector of authentication in addition to a user's password.
- Transit Gateway: A transit gateway is a network routing solution that establishes and manages communication between an on-premises consumer network and VPCs via a centralized unit.
- Triple Data Encryption Standard (3DES): It performs DES three times with three different keys.
- Twofish: Twofish uses a block size of 128 bits and key sizes up to 256 bits. It is a Feistel cipher.
- Threefish: Threefish is a large tweakable symmetric-key block cipher in which the block and key sizes are
 equal, i.e., 256, 512, and 1024.
- TEA: Tiny Encryption Algorithm (TEA) is a Feistel cipher that uses 64 rounds.
- TPM: Trusted platform module (TPM) is a crypto-processor or chip that is present on the motherboard that
 can securely store the encryption keys, and it can perform many cryptographic operations.
- Transport Layer Security (TLS): TLS is a protocol to establish a secure connection between a client and a server and ensure the privacy and integrity of information during transmission.

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- Unsupervised Learning: Unsupervised learning makes use of algorithms that input unlabeled training data
 to attempt to deduce all the categories without guidance.
- UDP Ping Scan: Attackers send UDP packets to target hosts, and a UDP response indicates that the host is
 active.
- UDP Flood Attack: An attacker sends spoofed UDP packets at a very high packet rate to a remote host on random ports of a target server using a large source IP range.
- UDP Hijacking: A network-level session hijacking where the attacker sends forged server reply to a victim's UDP request before the intended server replies to it.
- URL Encoding: URL encoding is the process of converting URL into valid ASCII format so that data can be safely transported over HTTP.
- UTF-8: It is a variable-length encoding standard that uses each byte expressed in hexadecimal and preceded by the % prefix.
- Union SQL Injection: In a UNION SQL injection, an attacker combines a forged query with a query requested by the user using a UNION clause.
- USB Encryption: USB encryption is an additional feature for USB storage devices that offers onboard encryption services.

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- Vulnerability Research: Vulnerability research is the process of analyzing protocols, services, and
 configurations to discover the vulnerabilities and design flaws that will expose an operating system and its
 applications to exploit, attack, or misuse.
- Vulnerability Assessment: Vulnerability assessment is an in-depth examination of the ability of a system or application, including current security procedures and controls, to withstand the exploitation.
- Vulnerability Exploitation: Vulnerability exploitation involves the execution of multiple complex, interrelated steps to gain access to a remote system.
- Vendor Management: It is the activity of selecting suppliers and assessing the risks of third-party services and products.

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- Video Steganography: Video steganography refers to hiding secret information in a carrier video file.
- Virus: A virus is a self-replicating program that produces its own copy by attaching itself to another program, computer boot sector or document.
- Vishing: Vishing (voice or VoIP phishing) is an impersonation technique (electronic fraud) in which the
 attacker tricks individuals to reveal personal and financial information using voice technology such as the
 telephone system, VoIP, etc.
- VPN: A VPN is a private network constructed using public networks, such as the Internet.
- Vulnerability Scanning: Vulnerability scanning is performed to identify vulnerabilities and misconfigurations in a target web server or network.
- Virtual Private Cloud (VPC): VPC is a secure and independent private cloud environment that resides within
 the public cloud.

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- White Hats: White hats or penetration testers are individuals who use their hacking skills for defensive purposes.
- Website Footprinting: Website footprinting refers to the monitoring and analysis of the target organization's website for information.
- Whois: Whois is a query and response protocol used for querying databases that store the registered users
 or assignees of an Internet resource, such as a domain name, an IP address block, or an autonomous system.
- Wire Sniffing: Packet sniffing is a form of wire sniffing or wiretapping in which hackers sniff credentials during transit by capturing Internet packets.
- Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI): WMI is a feature in Windows administration that provides
 a platform for accessing Windows system resources locally and remotely.
- Windows Remote Management (WinRM): WinRM is a Windows-based protocol designed to allow a user to run an executable file, modify system services, and the registry on a remote system.
- Whitespace Steganography: In white space steganography, the user hides the messages in ASCII text by adding white spaces to the ends of the lines.
- Wiretapping: Wiretapping is the process of the monitoring of telephone and Internet conversations by a
 third party.
- Whaling: A whaling attack is a type of phishing that targets high profile executives like CEO, CFO, politicians, and celebrities who have complete access to confidential and highly valuable information.
- Web Server: A web server is a computer system that stores, processes, and delivers web pages to clients
- Website Defacement: Website defacement refers to unauthorized changes made to the content of a single
 web page or an entire website, resulting in changes to the visual appearance of the web page or website.
- Web Server Misconfiguration: Server misconfiguration refers to configuration weaknesses in web
 infrastructure that can be exploited to launch various attacks on web servers such as directory traversal,
 server intrusion, and data theft.
- Website Mirroring: Website mirroring copies an entire website and its content onto a local drive.
- Web Applications: Web applications provide an interface between end users and web servers through a
 set of web pages that are generated at the server end or contain script code to be executed dynamically
 within the client web browser.