



# CompTIA

## Exam Questions SY0-501

CompTIA Security+ Certification Exam

#### NEW QUESTION 1

- (Exam Topic 1)

An analyst wants to implement a more secure wireless authentication for office access points. Which of the following technologies allows for encrypted authentication of wireless clients over TLS?

- A. PEAP
- B. EAP
- C. WPA2
- D. RADIUS

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

EAP by itself is only an authentication framework.

PEAP (Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol) fully encapsulates EAP and is designed to work within a TLS (Transport Layer Security) tunnel that may be encrypted but is authenticated. The primary motivation behind the creation of PEAP was to help correct the deficiencies discovered within EAP since that protocol assumes that the communications channel is protected. As a result, when EAP messages are able to be discovered in the “clear” they do not provide the protection that was assumed when the protocol was originally authored.

PEAP, EAP-TTLS, and EAP-TLS “protect” inner EAP authentication within SSL/TLS sessions.

#### NEW QUESTION 2

- (Exam Topic 1)

An organization finds that most help desk calls are regarding account lockout due to a variety of applications running on different systems. Management is looking for a solution to reduce the number of account lockouts while improving security. Which of the following is the BEST solution for this organization?

- A. Create multiple application accounts for each user.
- B. Provide secure tokens.
- C. Implement SSO.
- D. Utilize role-based access control.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 3

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following explains why vendors publish MD5 values when they provide software patches for their customers to download over the Internet?

- A. The recipient can verify integrity of the software patch.
- B. The recipient can verify the authenticity of the site used to download the patch.
- C. The recipient can request future updates to the software using the published MD5 value.
- D. The recipient can successfully activate the new software patch.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 4

- (Exam Topic 1)

In a corporation where compute utilization spikes several times a year, the Chief Information Officer (CIO) has requested a cost-effective architecture to handle the variable capacity demand. Which of the following characteristics BEST describes what the CIO has requested?

- A. Elasticity
- B. Scalability
- C. High availability
- D. Redundancy

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

Elasticity is defined as “the degree to which a system is able to adapt to workload changes by provisioning and de-provisioning resources in an autonomic manner, such that at each point in time the available resources match the current demand as closely as possible”.

#### NEW QUESTION 5

- (Exam Topic 1)

When considering a third-party cloud service provider, which of the following criteria would be the BEST to include in the security assessment process? (Select two.)

- A. Use of performance analytics
- B. Adherence to regulatory compliance
- C. Data retention policies
- D. Size of the corporation
- E. Breadth of applications support

**Answer:** BC

#### NEW QUESTION 6

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company's user lockout policy is enabled after five unsuccessful login attempts. The help desk notices a user is repeatedly locked out over the course of a workweek. Upon contacting the user, the help desk discovers the user is on vacation and does not have network access. Which of the following types of attacks

are MOST likely occurring? (Select two.)

- A. Replay
- B. Rainbow tables
- C. Brute force
- D. Pass the hash
- E. Dictionary

**Answer:** CE

#### NEW QUESTION 7

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following can be provided to an AAA system for the identification phase?

- A. Username
- B. Permissions
- C. One-time token
- D. Private certificate

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 8

- (Exam Topic 1)

A botnet has hit a popular website with a massive number of GRE-encapsulated packets to perform a DDoS attack. News outlets discover a certain type of refrigerator was exploited and used to send outbound packets to the website that crashed. To which of the following categories does the refrigerator belong?

- A. SoC
- B. ICS
- C. IoT
- D. MFD

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 9

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following characteristics differentiate a rainbow table attack from a brute force attack? (Select two.)

- A. Rainbow table attacks greatly reduce compute cycles at attack time.
- B. Rainbow tables must include precomputed hashes.
- C. Rainbow table attacks do not require access to hashed passwords.
- D. Rainbow table attacks must be performed on the network.
- E. Rainbow table attacks bypass maximum failed login restrictions.

**Answer:** BE

#### NEW QUESTION 10

- (Exam Topic 1)

An incident responder receives a call from a user who reports a computer is exhibiting symptoms consistent with a malware infection. Which of the following steps should the responder perform NEXT?

- A. Capture and document necessary information to assist in the response.
- B. Request the user capture and provide a screenshot or recording of the symptoms.
- C. Use a remote desktop client to collect and analyze the malware in real time.
- D. Ask the user to back up files for later recovery.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 10

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company determines that it is prohibitively expensive to become compliant with new credit card regulations. Instead, the company decides to purchase insurance to cover the cost of any potential loss. Which of the following is the company doing?

- A. Transferring the risk
- B. Accepting the risk
- C. Avoiding the risk
- D. Migrating the risk

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 13

- (Exam Topic 1)

Users report the following message appears when browsing to the company's secure site: This website cannot be trusted. Which of the following actions should a security analyst take to resolve these messages? (Select two.)

- A. Verify the certificate has not expired on the server.
- B. Ensure the certificate has a .pfx extension on the server.
- C. Update the root certificate into the client computer certificate store.

- D. Install the updated private key on the web server.
- E. Have users clear their browsing history and relaunch the session.

**Answer:** AC

#### NEW QUESTION 17

- (Exam Topic 1)

Despite having implemented password policies, users continue to set the same weak passwords and reuse old passwords. Which of the following technical controls would help prevent these policy violations? (Select two.)

- A. Password expiration
- B. Password length
- C. Password complexity
- D. Password history
- E. Password lockout

**Answer:** CD

#### NEW QUESTION 20

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following specifically describes the exploitation of an interactive process to access otherwise restricted areas of the OS?

- A. Privilege escalation
- B. Pivoting
- C. Process affinity
- D. Buffer overflow

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 23

- (Exam Topic 1)

A database backup schedule consists of weekly full backups performed on Saturday at 12:00 a.m. and daily differential backups also performed at 12:00 a.m. If the database is restored on Tuesday afternoon, which of the following is the number of individual backups that would need to be applied to complete the database recovery?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 27

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company is terminating an employee for misbehavior. Which of the following steps is MOST important in the process of disengagement from this employee?

- A. Obtain a list of passwords used by the employee.
- B. Generate a report on outstanding projects the employee handled.
- C. Have the employee surrender company identification.
- D. Have the employee sign an NDA before departing.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 31

- (Exam Topic 1)

An analyst is reviewing a simple program for potential security vulnerabilities before being deployed to a Windows server. Given the following code:

```
void foo (char *bar)
{
    char random_user_input [12];
    strcpy (random_user_input, bar);
}
```

Which of the following vulnerabilities is present?

- A. Bad memory pointer
- B. Buffer overflow
- C. Integer overflow
- D. Backdoor

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 36

- (Exam Topic 1)

An organization is using a tool to perform a source code review. Which of the following describes the case in which the tool incorrectly identifies the vulnerability?

- A. False negative
- B. True negative
- C. False positive
- D. True positive

**Answer:** C

**NEW QUESTION 39**

- (Exam Topic 1)

When systems, hardware, or software are not supported by the original vendor, it is a vulnerability known as:

- A. system sprawl
- B. end-of-life systems
- C. resource exhaustion
- D. a default configuration

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 42**

- (Exam Topic 1)


Select the appropriate attack from each drop down list to label the corresponding illustrated attack.

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### Attacks

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Attack Vector	Target	Identified Attack
 <p>Attacker gains confidential company information</p>	 <p>Targeted CEO and board members</p>	<div> <input type="text"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPIM</li> <li>VISHING</li> <li>PHISHING</li> <li>WHALING</li> <li>HOAX</li> <li>PHARMING</li> <li>SPEAR PHISHING</li> <li>SPOOFING</li> <li>SPAM</li> <li>XMAS ATTACK</li> </ul> </div>
 <p>Attacker posts link to fake AV software</p>	 <p>Multiple social networks</p>  <p>Broad set of victims</p>	<div> <input type="text"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPIM</li> <li>VISHING</li> <li>PHISHING</li> <li>WHALING</li> <li>HOAX</li> <li>PHARMING</li> <li>SPEAR PHISHING</li> <li>SPOOFING</li> <li>SPAM</li> <li>XMAS ATTACK</li> </ul> </div>
 <p>Attacker collecting credit card details</p>	 <p>Phone-based victim</p>	<div> <input type="text"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPIM</li> <li>VISHING</li> <li>PHISHING</li> <li>WHALING</li> <li>HOAX</li> <li>PHARMING</li> <li>SPEAR PHISHING</li> <li>SPOOFING</li> <li>SPAM</li> <li>XMAS ATTACK</li> </ul> </div>
 <p>Attacker mass-mails product information to parties that have already opted out of receiving advertisements</p>	 <p>Broad set of recipients</p>	<div> <input type="text"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPIM</li> <li>VISHING</li> <li>PHISHING</li> <li>WHALING</li> <li>HOAX</li> <li>PHARMING</li> <li>SPEAR PHISHING</li> <li>SPOOFING</li> <li>SPAM</li> <li>XMAS ATTACK</li> </ul> </div>
 <p>Attacker redirects name resolution entries from legitimate site to fraudulent site</p>	 <p>Victims</p> <div> <p>Fraudulent site</p> <p>Legitimate site</p> </div>	<div> <input type="text"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPIM</li> <li>VISHING</li> <li>PHISHING</li> <li>WHALING</li> <li>HOAX</li> <li>PHARMING</li> <li>SPEAR PHISHING</li> <li>SPOOFING</li> <li>SPAM</li> <li>XMAS ATTACK</li> </ul> </div>

A. Mastered  
 B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

Explanation:

1: Spear phishing is an e-mail spoofing fraud attempt that targets a specific organization, seeking unauthorized access to confidential data. As with the e-mail messages used in regular phishing expeditions, spear phishing messages appear to come from a trusted source. Phishing messages usually appear to come from a large and well-known company or Web site with a broad membership base, such as eBay or PayPal. In the case of spear phishing, however, the apparent source of the e-mail is likely to be an individual within the recipient's own company and generally someone in a position of authority.

2: The Hoax in this question is designed to make people believe that the fake AV (anti-virus) software is genuine.

3: Vishing is the act of using the telephone in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft. The scammer usually pretends to be a legitimate business, and fools the victim into thinking he or she will profit.

4: Phishing is the act of sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

Phishing email will direct the user to visit a website where they are asked to update personal information, such as a password, credit card, social security, or bank account numbers, that the legitimate organization already has. The website, however, is bogus and set up only to steal the information the user enters on the page.

5: Similar in nature to e-mail phishing, pharming seeks to obtain personal or private (usually financial related) information through domain spoofing. Rather than being spammed with malicious and mischievous e-mail requests for you to visit spoof Web sites which appear legitimate, pharming 'poisons' a DNS server by infusing false information into the DNS server, resulting in a user's request being redirected elsewhere. Your browser, however will show you are at the correct Web site, which makes pharming a bit more serious and more difficult to detect. Phishing attempts to scam people one at a time with an e-mail while pharming allows the scammers to target large groups of people at one time through domain spoofing.

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<http://www.webopedia.com/TERM/P/pharming.html>

#### NEW QUESTION 47

- (Exam Topic 1)

A company is developing a new secure technology and requires computers being used for development to be isolated. Which of the following should be implemented to provide the MOST secure environment?

- A. A perimeter firewall and IDS
- B. An air gapped computer network
- C. A honeypot residing in a DMZ
- D. An ad hoc network with NAT
- E. A bastion host

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 48

- (Exam Topic 1)

An administrator is replacing a wireless router. The configuration of the old wireless router was not documented before it stopped functioning. The equipment connecting to the wireless network uses older legacy equipment that was manufactured prior to the release of the 802.11i standard. Which of the following configuration options should the administrator select for the new wireless router?

- A. WPA+CCMP
- B. WPA2+CCMP
- C. WPA+TKIP
- D. WPA2+TKIP

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 50

- (Exam Topic 1)

When performing data acquisition on a workstation, which of the following should be captured based on memory volatility? (Select two.)

- A. USB-attached hard disk
- B. Swap/pagefile
- C. Mounted network storage
- D. ROM
- E. RAM

**Answer: BE**

#### NEW QUESTION 54

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following threat actors is MOST likely to steal a company's proprietary information to gain a market edge and reduce time to market?

- A. Competitor
- B. Hacktivist
- C. Insider
- D. Organized crime.

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 58

- (Exam Topic 2)

A chief Financial Officer (CFO) has asked the Chief Information Officer (CISO) to provide responses to a recent audit report detailing deficiencies in the organization security controls. The CFO would like to know ways in which the organization can improve its authorization controls.

Given the request by the CFO, which of the following controls should the CISO focus on in the report? (Select Three)

- A. Password complexity policies
- B. Hardware tokens

- C. Biometric systems
- D. Role-based permissions
- E. One time passwords
- F. Separation of duties
- G. Multifactor authentication
- H. Single sign-on
- I. Least privilege

**Answer:** DFI

#### NEW QUESTION 61

- (Exam Topic 2)

Joe, a user, wants to send Ann, another user, a confidential document electronically. Which of the following should Joe do to ensure the document is protected from eavesdropping?

- A. Encrypt it with Joe's private key
- B. Encrypt it with Joe's public key
- C. Encrypt it with Ann's private key
- D. Encrypt it with Ann's public key

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 62

- (Exam Topic 2)

A technician suspects that a system has been compromised. The technician reviews the following log entry: WARNING- hash mismatch:

C:\Window\SysWOW64\user32.dll

WARNING- hash mismatch: C:\Window\SysWOW64\kernel32.dll

Based solely on the above information, which of the following types of malware is MOST likely installed on the system?

- A. Rootkit
- B. Ransomware
- C. Trojan
- D. Backdoor

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 67

- (Exam Topic 2)

An organization is comparing and contrasting migration from its standard desktop configuration to the newest version of the platform. Before this can happen, the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) voices the need to evaluate the functionality of the newer desktop platform to ensure interoperability with existing software in use by the organization. In which of the following principles of architecture and design is the CISO engaging?

- A. Dynamic analysis
- B. Change management
- C. Baselining
- D. Waterfalling

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 70

- (Exam Topic 2)

An administrator is configuring access to information located on a network file server named "Bowman". The files are located in a folder named "BalkFiles". The files are only for use by the "Matthews" division and should be read-only. The security policy requires permissions for shares to be managed at the file system layer and also requires those permissions to be set according to a least privilege model. Security policy for this data type also dictates that administrator-level accounts on the system have full access to the files.

The administrator configures the file share according to the following table:

##### Share permissions

1	Everyone	Full control
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##### File system permissions

2	Bowman\Users	Modify	Inherited
3	Domain\Matthews	Read	Not inherited
4	Bowman\System	Full control	Inherited
5	Bowman\Administrators	Full control	Not inherited

Which of the following rows has been misconfigured?

- A. Row 1
- B. Row 2
- C. Row 3
- D. Row 4
- E. Row 5

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 72



- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following differentiates a collision attack from a rainbow table attack?

- A. A rainbow table attack performs a hash lookup
- B. A rainbow table attack uses the hash as a password
- C. In a collision attack, the hash and the input data are equivalent
- D. In a collision attack, the same input results in different hashes

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 73

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company is developing a new system that will unlock a computer automatically when an authorized user sits in front of it, and then lock the computer when the user leaves. The user does not have to perform any action for this process to occur. Which of the following technologies provides this capability?

- A. Facial recognition
- B. Fingerprint scanner
- C. Motion detector
- D. Smart cards

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 77

- (Exam Topic 2)

A director of IR is reviewing a report regarding several recent breaches. The director compiles the following statistic's

- Initial IR engagement time frame
- Length of time before an executive management notice went out
- Average IR phase completion

The director wants to use the data to shorten the response time. Which of the following would accomplish this?

- A. CSIRT
- B. Containment phase
- C. Escalation notifications
- D. Tabletop exercise

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 79

- (Exam Topic 2)

The security administrator receives an email on a non-company account from a coworker stating that some reports are not exporting correctly. Attached to the email was an example report file with several customers' names and credit card numbers with the PIN.

Which of the following is the BEST technical controls that will help mitigate this risk of disclosing sensitive data?

- A. Configure the mail server to require TLS connections for every email to ensure all transport data is encrypted
- B. Create a user training program to identify the correct use of email and perform regular audits to ensure compliance
- C. Implement a DLP solution on the email gateway to scan email and remove sensitive data or files
- D. Classify all data according to its sensitivity and inform the users of data that is prohibited to share

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 84

- (Exam Topic 2)

Joe, a security administrator, needs to extend the organization's remote access functionality to be used by staff while travelling. Joe needs to maintain separate access control functionalities for internal, external, and VOIP services. Which of the following represents the BEST access technology for Joe to use?

- A. RADIUS
- B. TACACS+
- C. Diameter
- D. Kerberos

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 87

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following are the MAIN reasons why a systems administrator would install security patches in a staging environment before the patches are applied to the production server? (Select two.)

- A. To prevent server availability issues
- B. To verify the appropriate patch is being installed
- C. To generate a new baseline hash after patching
- D. To allow users to test functionality
- E. To ensure users are trained on new functionality

**Answer:** AD

#### NEW QUESTION 88

- (Exam Topic 2)

A mobile device user is concerned about geographic positioning information being included in messages sent between users on a popular social network platform. The user turns off the functionality in the application, but wants to ensure the application cannot re-enable the setting without the knowledge of the user. Which of the following mobile device capabilities should the user disable to achieve the stated goal?

- A. Device access control
- B. Location based services
- C. Application control
- D. GEO-Tagging

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 90

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following would meet the requirements for multifactor authentication?

- A. Username, PIN, and employee ID number
- B. Fingerprint and password
- C. Smart card and hardware token
- D. Voice recognition and retina scan

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 93

- (Exam Topic 2)

A security analyst reviews the following output:

```
File name: somefile.pdf
File MD5: E289F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2
File size: 1.9 Mb
Created by: Jan Smith
Deleted by: Jan Smith
Date deleted: October 01, 2015 8:43:21 EST
```

The analyst loads the hash into the SIEM to discover if this hash is seen in other parts of the network. After inspecting a large number of files, the security analyst reports the following:

```
File hash: E289F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2
Files found: somestuff.xls, somefile.pdf, nofile.doc
```

Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of the hash being found in other areas?

- A. Jan Smith is an insider threat
- B. There are MD5 hash collisions
- C. The file is encrypted
- D. Shadow copies are present

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 94

- (Exam Topic 2)

A company's AUP requires:

- ☒ Passwords must meet complexity requirements.
- ☒ Passwords are changed at least once every six months.
- ☒ Passwords must be at least eight characters long.

An auditor is reviewing the following report:

Username	Last login	Last changed
Carol	2 hours	90 days
David	2 hours	30 days
Ann	1 hour	247 days
Joe	0.5 hours	7 days

Which of the following controls should the auditor recommend to enforce the AUP?

- A. Account lockout thresholds
- B. Account recovery
- C. Password expiration
- D. Prohibit password reuse

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 98

- (Exam Topic 2)

A workstation puts out a network request to locate another system. Joe, a hacker on the network, responds before the real system does, and he tricks the workstation into communicating with him. Which of the following BEST describes what occurred?

- A. The hacker used a race condition.
- B. The hacker used a pass-the-hash attack.

- C. The hacker-exploited improper key management.
- D. The hacker exploited weak switch configuration.

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 99

- (Exam Topic 2)

A penetration tester finds that a company's login credentials for the email client were being sent in clear text. Which of the following should be done to provide encrypted logins to the email server?

- A. Enable IPSec and configure SMTP.
- B. Enable SSH and LDAP credentials.
- C. Enable MIME services and POP3.
- D. Enable an SSL certificate for IMAP services.

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 103

- (Exam Topic 2)

During a routine audit, it is discovered that someone has been using a stale administrator account to log into a seldom used server. The person has been using the server to view inappropriate websites that are prohibited to end users. Which of the following could best prevent this from occurring again?

- A. Credential management
- B. Group policy management
- C. Acceptable use policy
- D. Account expiration policy

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 105

- (Exam Topic 2)

A vulnerability scanner that uses its running service's access level to better assess vulnerabilities across multiple assets within an organization is performing a:

- A. Credentialed scan.
- B. Non-intrusive scan.
- C. Privilege escalation test.
- D. Passive scan.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 110

- (Exam Topic 2)

A help desk is troubleshooting user reports that the corporate website is presenting untrusted certificate errors to employees and customers when they visit the website. Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of this error, provided the certificate has not expired?

- A. The certificate was self signed, and the CA was not imported by employees or customers
- B. The root CA has revoked the certificate of the intermediate CA
- C. The valid period for the certificate has passed, and a new certificate has not been issued
- D. The key escrow server has blocked the certificate from being validated

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 112

- (Exam Topic 2)

A security analyst receives an alert from a WAF with the following payload: var data= "<test test test>" ++ <../../../../etc/passwd>" Which of the following types of attacks is this?

- A. Cross-site request forgery
- B. Buffer overflow
- C. SQL injection
- D. JavaScript data insertion
- E. Firewall evasion script

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 114

- (Exam Topic 2)

An organization uses SSO authentication for employee access to network resources. When an employee resigns, as per the organization's security policy, the employee's access to all network resources is terminated immediately. Two weeks later, the former employee sends an email to the help desk for a password reset to access payroll information from the human resources server. Which of the following represents the BEST course of action?

- A. Approve the former employee's request, as a password reset would give the former employee access to only the human resources server.
- B. Deny the former employee's request, since the password reset request came from an external email address.
- C. Deny the former employee's request, as a password reset would give the employee access to all network resources.
- D. Approve the former employee's request, as there would not be a security issue with the former employee gaining access to network resources.

**Answer:** C

**NEW QUESTION 119**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A security administrator suspects a MITM attack aimed at impersonating the default gateway is underway. Which of the following tools should the administrator use to detect this attack? (Select two.)

- A. Ping
- B. Ipconfig
- C. Tracert
- D. Netstat
- E. Dig
- F. Nslookup

**Answer:** BC

**NEW QUESTION 121**

- (Exam Topic 3)

Phishing emails frequently take advantage of high-profile catastrophes reported in the news. Which of the following principles BEST describes the weakness being exploited?

- A. Intimidation
- B. Scarcity
- C. Authority
- D. Social proof

**Answer:** D

**NEW QUESTION 124**

- (Exam Topic 3)

In an effort to reduce data storage requirements, some company devices to hash every file and eliminate duplicates. The data processing routines are time sensitive so the hashing algorithm is fast and supported on a wide range of systems. Which of the following algorithms is BEST suited for this purpose?

- A. MD5
- B. SHA
- C. RIPEMD
- D. AES

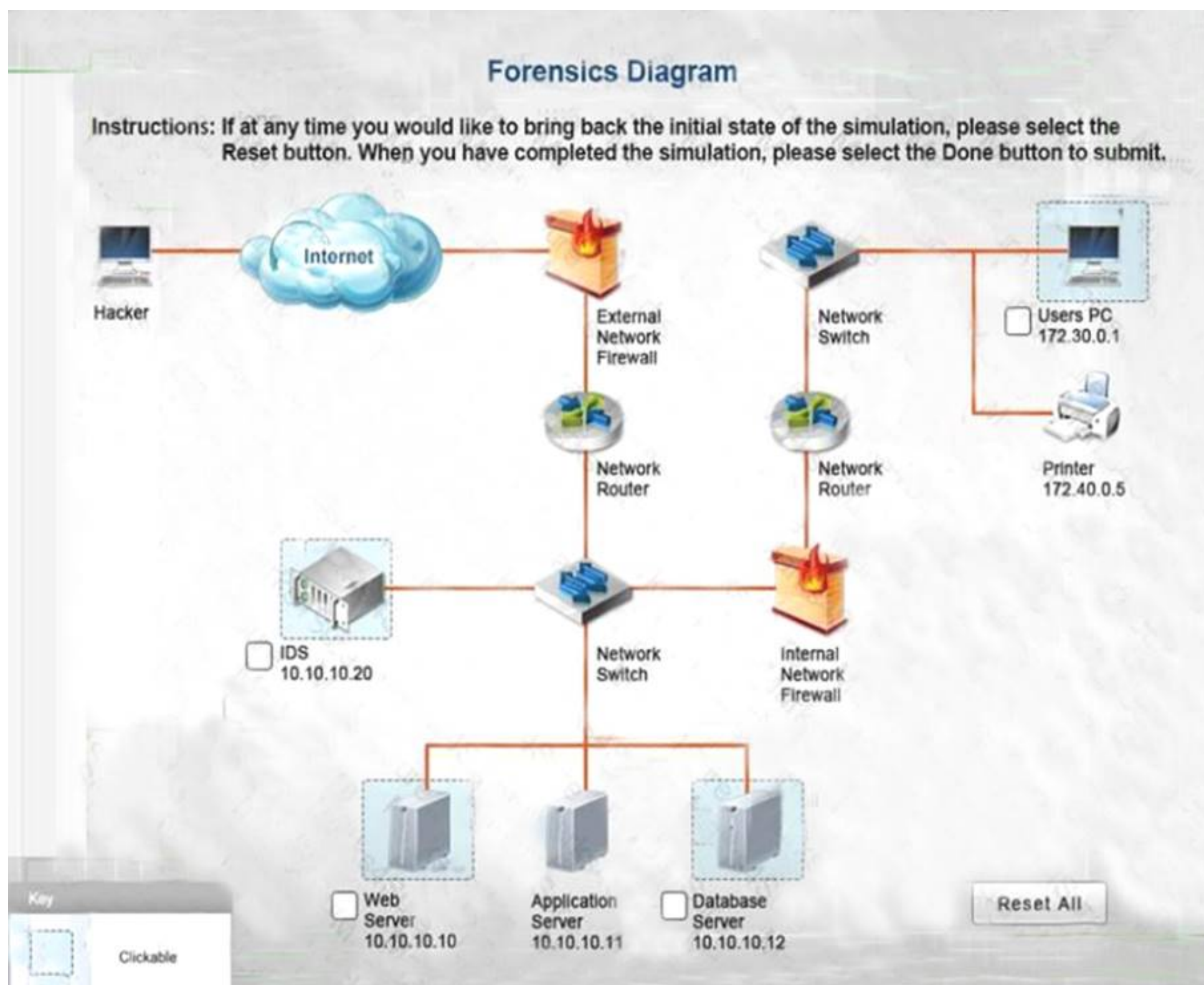
**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 127**

- (Exam Topic 3)

A security administrator discovers that an attack has been completed against a node on the corporate network. All available logs were collected and stored. You must review all network logs to discover the scope of the attack, check the box of the node(s) that have been compromised and drag and drop the appropriate actions to complete the incident response on the network. The environment is a critical production environment; perform the LEAST disruptive actions on the network, while still performing the appropriate incident responses.

Instructions: The web server, database server, IDS, and User PC are clickable. Check the box of the node(s) that have been compromised and drag and drop the appropriate actions to complete the incident response on the network. Not all actions may be used, and order is not important. If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please select the Reset button. When you have completed the simulation, please select the Done button to submit. Once the simulation is submitted, please select the Next button to continue.



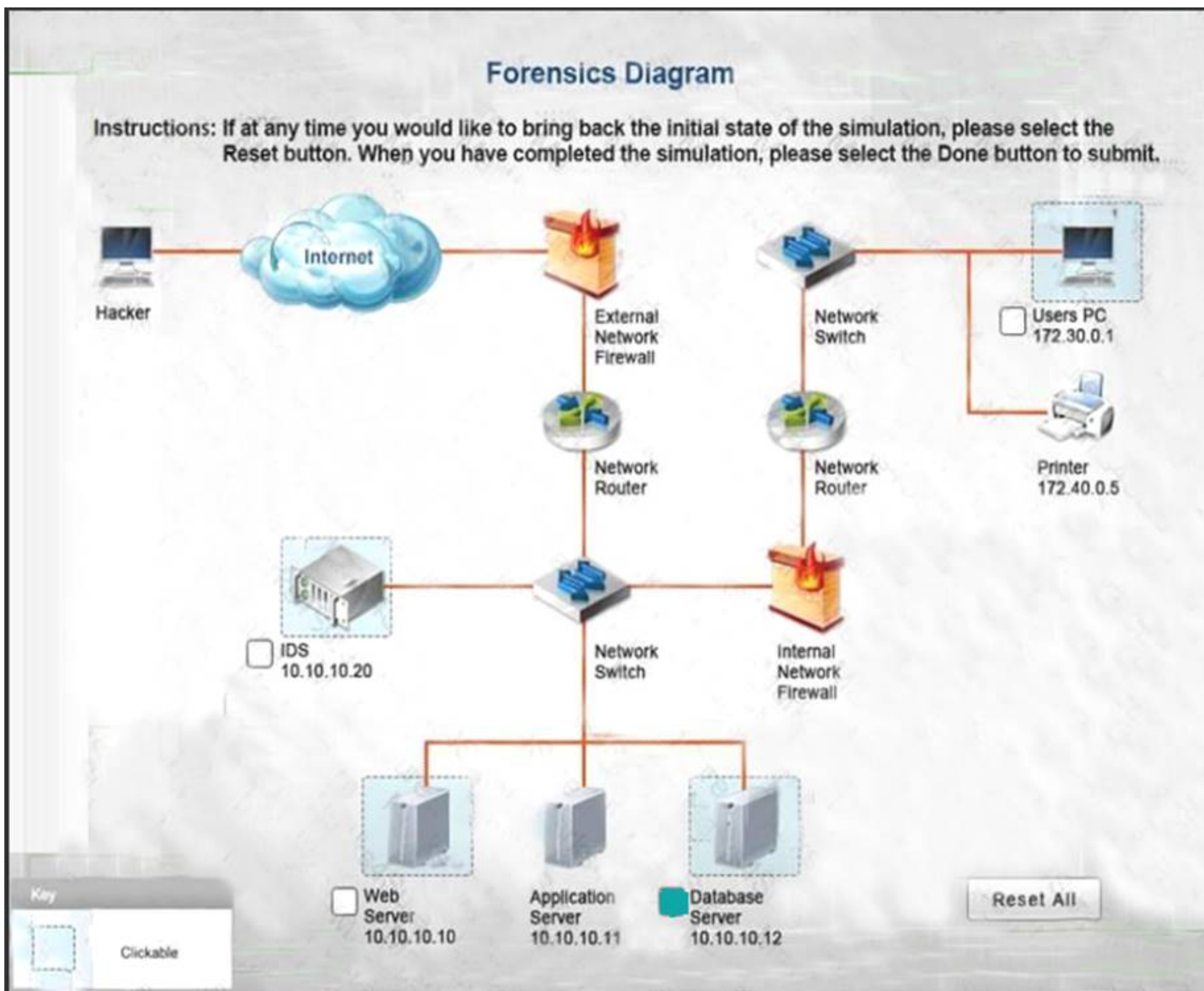
- A. Mastered
- B. Not Mastered

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

Database server was attacked, actions should be to capture network traffic and Chain of Custody.





Logs	Actions	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><b>Possible Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capture Network Traffic</li> <li>Chain Of Custody</li> <li>Format</li> <li>Hash</li> <li>Image</li> <li>Record Time Offset</li> <li>System Restore</li> </ul> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><b>Actions Performed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capture Network Traffic</li> <li>Chain Of Custody</li> <li></li> <li></li> <li></li> <li></li> <li></li> </ul> </div> </div>		

IDS Server Log:

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0	Cisco_87:85:04	Spanning-tree-(for-bridges)_00	STP	60	Conf. Root = 32768/100/00:1c:0e:87:78:00 Cost = 4 Port = 0x8004
2	2.000	Cisco_87:85:04	Spanning-tree-(for-bridges)_00	STP	60	Conf. Root = 32768/100/00:1c:0e:87:78:00 Cost = 4 Port = 0x8004
3	4.009585	172.31.146.123.2	172.31.146.123.1	ICMP	118	Echo (ping) request id=0x0001, seq=1/256, ttl=255
4	6.014086	172.31.146.123.1	172.31.146.123.2	ICMP	118	Echo (ping) reply id=0x0001, seq=1/256, ttl=255
5	7.91131	123.123.123.123	10.10.10.10	HTTP	488	GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=ls HTTP/1.1
6	8.00312	10.10.10.10	123.123.123.123	HTTP	260	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
7	7.91131	123.123.123.123	10.10.10.10	HTTP	488	GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=whoami HTTP/1.1
8	8.00312	10.10.10.10	123.123.123.123	HTTP	260	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
9	10.1232	123.123.123.123	10.10.10.10	HTTP	488	GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=ls%20%2Fetc%2Fpasswd%2Fpasswd Via HTTP/1.1

Web Server Log:



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fcrawler.company.com - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:49 -0400] "GET /contacts.html HTTP/1.0" 200 4005
"FAST-WebCrawler/2.1-pre2 (ashen@company.net)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:49 -0400] "GET /pics/5star2000.gif HTTP/1.0" 200 4005
"http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

fcrawler.company.com - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:50 -0400] "GET /news/news.html HTTP/1.0" 200 16716 "-"
"FAST-WebCrawler/2.1-pre2 (ashen@company.net)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:50 -0400] "GET /pics/5star.gif HTTP/1.0" 200 1031
"http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:51 -0400] "GET /pics/a2hlogo.jpg HTTP/1.0" 200 4282
"http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:51 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=null&jafsof3&width=4&font=
digital&noshw HTTP/1.0" 200 36 "http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

ppp931.on.company.com - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:52 -0400] "GET /download/windows/asctab31.zip HTTP/1.0" 200 1540096
"http://www.company.com/downloads/freeware/webdevelopment/15.html" "Mozilla/4.7 [en]C-SYMPA (Win95; U)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:53 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=ls HTTP/1.0" 200 36
"http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:58 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=whoami HTTP/1.0" 200 36
"http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

151.44.15.252 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:58 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209 HTTP/1.1" 200
6863 "http://search.virgilio.it/search/cgi/search.cgi" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

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151.44.15.252 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:58 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209 HTTP/1.1" 200
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123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:22:58 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=ls%20-l%20/data/finance/payroll/
*.xls HTTP/1.0" 200 36 "http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

123.123.123.123 - - [26/Apr/2010:00:23:00 -0400] "GET /cgi-bin/newcount?command=scp%20/data/finance/payroll/
gl-Nov2010.xls%20root@123.123.123.123: HTTP/1.0" 200 36 "http://www.comptia.com/asctortf/" "Mozilla/4.05 (Macintosh; I; PPC)"

213.60.233.243 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:09 +1200] "GET /internet/index.html HTTP/1.1" 200 6792
"http://www.company.com/video/streaming/http.html" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; U; Linux i686; es-ES; rv:1.6) Gecko/20040413 Debian/1.6-5"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:21 +1200] "GET /js/master.js HTTP/1.1" 200 2263 "http://www.company.com/
cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:21 +1200] "GET /css/master.css HTTP/1.1" 200 6123 "http://www.company.com/
cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:21 +1200] "GET /images/navigation/home1.gif HTTP/1.1" 200 2735 "http://www.company.com
/cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:21 +1200] "GET /data/zookeeper/co-100.gif HTTP/1.1" 200 196 "http://www.company.com/
cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:22 +1200] "GET /adsense-alternate.html HTTP/1.1" 200 887 "http://www.company.com/
cgi-bin/forum/commentary.pl/noframes/read/209" "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; Hotbar 4.4.7.0)"

151.44.15.252 - - [25/May/2010:00:17:39 +1200] "GET /data/zookeeper/status.html HTTP/1.1" 200 4195 "http://www.company.com/
cgi-bin/forum/comm

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Database Server Log:



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Database Server Log

Audit Failure	2012/4/16 11:33	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4625	Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4672	Special Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4624	Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4624	Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4648	Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4673	Sensitive Privilege Use
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Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4624	Logon
Audit Success	2012/4/16 11:35	Microsoft Windows security auditing.	4672	Special Logon

Users PC Log:



#### NEW QUESTION 132

- (Exam Topic 3)

Joe a computer forensic technician responds to an active compromise of a database server. Joe first collects information in memory, then collects network traffic and finally conducts an image of the hard drive. Which of the following procedures did Joe follow?

- A. Order of volatility
- B. Chain of custody
- C. Recovery procedure
- D. Incident isolation

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 133

- (Exam Topic 3)

A business has recently deployed laptops to all sales employees. The laptops will be used primarily from home offices and while traveling, and a high amount of wireless mobile use is expected. To protect the laptops while connected to untrusted wireless networks, which of the following would be the BEST method for reducing the risk of having the laptops compromised?

- A. MAC filtering
- B. Virtualization
- C. OS hardening
- D. Application white-listing

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 137

- (Exam Topic 3)

A company exchanges information with a business partner. An annual audit of the business partner is conducted against the SLA in order to verify:

- A. Performance and service delivery metrics
- B. Backups are being performed and tested
- C. Data ownership is being maintained and audited
- D. Risk awareness is being adhered to and enforced

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 139



- (Exam Topic 3)

A new intern in the purchasing department requires read access to shared documents. Permissions are normally controlled through a group called "Purchasing", however, the purchasing group permissions allow write access. Which of the following would be the BEST course of action?

- A. Modify all the shared files with read only permissions for the intern.
- B. Create a new group that has only read permissions for the files.
- C. Remove all permissions for the shared files.
- D. Add the intern to the "Purchasing" group.

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 141

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following is the LEAST secure hashing algorithm?

- A. SHA1
- B. RIPEMD
- C. MD5
- D. DES

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 143

- (Exam Topic 3)

The Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of a company, Ann, is putting together a hardware budget for the next 10 years. She is asking for the average lifespan of each hardware device so that she is able to calculate when she will have to replace each device.

Which of the following categories BEST describes what she is looking for?

- A. ALE
- B. MTTR
- C. MTBF
- D. MTTF

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 148

- (Exam Topic 3)

Two users need to securely share encrypted files via email. Company policy prohibits users from sharing credentials or exchanging encryption keys. Which of the following can be implemented to enable users to share encrypted data while abiding by company policies?

- A. Key escrow
- B. Digital signatures
- C. PKI
- D. Hashing

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 150

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following BEST describes an attack where communications between two parties are intercepted and forwarded to each party with neither party being aware of the interception and potential modification to the communications?

- A. Spear phishing
- B. Man-in-the-middle
- C. URL hijacking
- D. Transitive access

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 155

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following can affect electrostatic discharge in a network operations center?

- A. Fire suppression
- B. Environmental monitoring
- C. Proximity card access
- D. Humidity controls

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 157

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following is a document that contains detailed information about actions that include how something will be done, when the actions will be performed, and penalties for failure?

- A. MOU
- B. ISA

- C. BPA
- D. SLA

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 162

- (Exam Topic 3)

While performing surveillance activities, an attacker determines that an organization is using 802.1X to secure LAN access. Which of the following attack mechanisms can the attacker utilize to bypass the identified network security?

- A. MAC spoofing
- B. Pharming
- C. Xmas attack
- D. ARP poisoning

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 163

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following attack types is being carried out where a target is being sent unsolicited messages via Bluetooth?

- A. War chalking
- B. Bluejacking
- C. Bluesnarfing
- D. Rogue tethering

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

Bluejacking is the sending of unsolicited messages over Bluetooth to Bluetooth-enabled devices such as mobile phones, PDAs or laptop computers, sending a vCard which typically contains a message in the name field (i.e., for bluedating or bluechat) to another Bluetooth-enabled device via the OBEX protocol.

#### NEW QUESTION 164

- (Exam Topic 3)

Which of the following is commonly used for federated identity management across multiple organizations?

- A. SAML
- B. Active Directory
- C. Kerberos
- D. LDAP

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 165

- (Exam Topic 3)

A security program manager wants to actively test the security posture of a system. The system is not yet in production and has no uptime requirement or active user base.

Which of the following methods will produce a report which shows vulnerabilities that were actually exploited?

- A. Peer review
- B. Component testing
- C. Penetration testing
- D. Vulnerability testing

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

A penetration test, or pen test, is an attempt to evaluate the security of an IT infrastructure by safely trying to exploit vulnerabilities.

#### NEW QUESTION 168

- (Exam Topic 3)

A supervisor in your organization was demoted on Friday afternoon. The supervisor had the ability to modify the contents of a confidential database, as well as other managerial permissions. On Monday morning, the database administrator reported that log files indicated that several records were missing from the database. Which of the following risk mitigation strategies should have been implemented when the supervisor was demoted?

- A. Incident management
- B. Routine auditing
- C. IT governance
- D. Monthly user rights reviews

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 173

- (Exam Topic 3)

An attacker wearing a building maintenance uniform approached a company's receptionist asking for access to a secure area. The receptionist asks for identification, a building access badge and checks the company's list approved maintenance personnel prior to granting physical access to the secure area. The

controls used by the receptionist are in place to prevent which of the following types of attacks?

- A. Tailgating
- B. Shoulder surfing
- C. Impersonation
- D. Hoax

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 177

- (Exam Topic 3)

An auditor has identified an access control system that can incorrectly accept an access attempt from an unauthorized user. Which of the following authentication systems has the auditor reviewed?

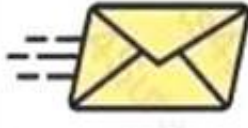









- A. Password-based
- B. Biometric-based
- C. Location-based
- D. Certificate-based

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 179

- (Exam Topic 3)

Task: Determine the types of attacks below by selecting an option from the dropdown list.

 <p>Email sent to multiple users to a link to verify username/password on external site</p> 	Choose Attack Type	Phishing
 <p>Phone calls made to CEO of organization asking for various financial data</p> 	Choose Attack Type	Whaling
 <p>Phone call is made to individual stating there was an IT issue, and asked for the user's password over the phone</p> 	Choose Attack Type	Phishing
 <p>You're on a social media site and an instant message pops up from a friend with a link to a new breakthrough diet</p> 	Choose Attack Type	Phishing
 <p>A friend/colleague asks you questions of a personal nature, which could be considered typical password reset questions.</p> 	Choose Attack Type	Spim

- A. Mastered
- B. Not Mastered

**Answer: A**

#### Explanation:

A: Phishing is the act of sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

Phishing email will direct the user to visit a website where they are asked to update personal information, such as a password, credit card, social security, or bank account numbers, that the legitimate organization already has. The website, however, is bogus and set up only to steal the information the user enters on the page.

B: Whaling is a specific kind of malicious hacking within the more general category of phishing, which involves hunting for data that can be used by the hacker. In

general, phishing efforts are focused on collecting personal data about users. In whaling, the targets are high-ranking bankers, executives or others in powerful positions or job titles. Hackers who engage in whaling often describe these efforts as "reeling in a big fish," applying a familiar metaphor to the process of scouring technologies for loopholes and opportunities for data theft. Those who are engaged in whaling may, for example, hack into specific networks where these powerful individuals work or store sensitive data. They may also set up keylogging or other malware on a work station associated with one of these executives. There are many ways that hackers can pursue whaling, leading C- level or top-level executives in business and government to stay vigilant about the possibility of cyber threats.

C: Vishing is the act of using the telephone in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft. The scammer usually pretends to be a legitimate business, and fools the victim into thinking he or she will profit.

D: SPIM is a term sometimes used to refer to spam over IM (Instant Messaging). It's also called just spam, instant spam, or IM marketing. No matter what the name, it consists of unwanted messages transmitted through some form of instant messaging service, which can include Short Message Service (SMS)

E: Social engineering is a non-technical method of intrusion hackers use that relies heavily on human interaction and often involves tricking people into breaking normal security procedures. It is one of the greatest threats that organizations today encounter. A social engineer runs what used to be called a "con game." For example, a person using social engineering to break into a computer network might try to gain the confidence of an authorized user and get them to reveal information that compromises the network's security. Social engineers often rely on the natural helpfulness of people as well as on their weaknesses. They might, for example, call the authorized employee with some kind of urgent problem that requires immediate network access. Appealing to vanity, appealing to authority, appealing to greed, and old-fashioned eavesdropping are other typical social engineering techniques.

<http://www.webopedia.com/TERM/P/phishing.html> <http://www.techopedia.com/definition/28643/whaling> <http://www.webopedia.com/TERM/V/vishing.html>

<http://searchsecurity.techtarget.com/definition/social-engineering>

#### NEW QUESTION 181

- (Exam Topic 3)

New magnetic locks were ordered for an entire building. In accordance with company policy, employee safety is the top priority. In case of a fire where electricity is cut, which of the following should be taken into consideration when installing the new locks?

- A. Fail safe
- B. Fault tolerance
- C. Fail secure
- D. Redundancy

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 184

- (Exam Topic 3)

A network operations manager has added a second row of server racks in the datacenter. These racks face the opposite direction of the first row of racks.

Which of the following is the reason the manager installed the racks this way?

- A. To lower energy consumption by sharing power outlets
- B. To create environmental hot and cold isles
- C. To eliminate the potential for electromagnetic interference
- D. To maximize fire suppression capabilities

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 186

- (Exam Topic 3)

A security administrator is evaluating three different services: radius, diameter, and Kerberos. Which of the following is a feature that is UNIQUE to Kerberos?

- A. It provides authentication services
- B. It uses tickets to identify authenticated users
- C. It provides single sign-on capability
- D. It uses XML for cross-platform interoperability

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 188

- (Exam Topic 3)

Joe, a technician, is working remotely with his company provided laptop at the coffee shop near his home. Joe is concerned that another patron of the coffee shop may be trying to access his laptop. Which of the following is an appropriate control to use to prevent the other patron from accessing Joe's laptop directly?

- A. full-disk encryption
- B. Host-based firewall
- C. Current antivirus definitions
- D. Latest OS updates

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 189

- (Exam Topic 3)

Joe, the security administrator, sees this in a vulnerability scan report:

"The server 10.1.2.232 is running Apache 2.2.20 which may be vulnerable to a mod\_cgi exploit."

Joe verifies that the mod\_cgi module is not enabled on 10.1.2.232. This message is an example of:

- A. a threat.
- B. a risk.
- C. a false negative.
- D. a false positive.

**Answer:** D



#### NEW QUESTION 192

- (Exam Topic 3)

A security administrator receives notice that a third-party certificate authority has been compromised, and new certificates will need to be issued. Which of the following should the administrator submit to receive a new certificate?

- A. CRL
- B. OSCP
- C. PFX
- D. CSR
- E. CA

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 195

- (Exam Topic 3)

A company wants to ensure that the validity of publicly trusted certificates used by its web server can be determined even during an extended internet outage. Which of the following should be implemented?

- A. Recovery agent
- B. Ocsf
- C. Crl
- D. Key escrow

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 200

- (Exam Topic 3)

Having adequate lighting on the outside of a building is an example of which of the following security controls?

- A. Deterrent
- B. Compensating
- C. Detective
- D. Preventative

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 202

- (Exam Topic 3)

A security technician would like to obscure sensitive data within a file so that it can be transferred without causing suspicion. Which of the following technologies would BEST be suited to accomplish this?

- A. Transport Encryption
- B. Stream Encryption
- C. Digital Signature
- D. Steganography

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

Steganography is the process of hiding a message in another message so as to obfuscate its importance. It is also the process of hiding a message in a medium such as a digital image, audio file, or other file. In theory, doing this prevents analysts from detecting the real message. You could encode your message in another file or message and use that file to hide your message.

#### NEW QUESTION 203

- (Exam Topic 4)

In determining when it may be necessary to perform a credentialed scan against a system instead of a noncredentialed scan, which of the following requirements is MOST likely to influence this decision?

- A. The scanner must be able to enumerate the host OS of devices scanned.
- B. The scanner must be able to footprint the network.
- C. The scanner must be able to check for open ports with listening services.
- D. The scanner must be able to audit file system permissions

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 204

- (Exam Topic 4)

A datacenter manager has been asked to prioritize critical system recovery priorities. Which of the following is the MOST critical for immediate recovery?

- A. Communications software
- B. Operating system software
- C. Weekly summary reports to management
- D. Financial and production software

**Answer:** B



#### NEW QUESTION 208

- (Exam Topic 4)

A security administrator wants to implement a logon script that will prevent MITM attacks on the local LAN. Which of the following commands should the security administrator implement within the script to accomplish this task?

- A. arp - s 192.168.1.1 00-3a-d1-fa-b1-06
- B. dig - x@192.168.1.1 mypc.comptia.com
- C. nmap - A - T4 192.168.1.1
- D. tcpdump - Inv host 192.168.1.1 or either 00:3a:d1:fa:b1:06

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 213

- (Exam Topic 4)

Ann, a security administrator, wants to ensure credentials are encrypted in transit when implementing a RADIUS server for SSO. Which of the following are needed given these requirements? (Select TWO)

- A. Public key
- B. Shared key
- C. Elliptic curve
- D. MD5
- E. Private key
- F. DES

**Answer:** AE

#### NEW QUESTION 217

- (Exam Topic 4)

A penetration tester harvests potential usernames from a social networking site. The penetration tester then uses social engineering to attempt to obtain associated passwords to gain unauthorized access to shares on a network server.

Which of the following methods is the penetration tester MOST likely using?

- A. Escalation of privilege
- B. SQL injection
- C. Active reconnaissance
- D. Proxy server

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 222

- (Exam Topic 4)

A website administrator has received an alert from an application designed to check the integrity of the company's website. The alert indicated that the hash value for a particular MPEG file has changed. Upon further investigation, the media appears to be the same as it was before the alert. Which of the following methods has MOST likely been used?

- A. Cryptography
- B. Time of check/time of use
- C. Man in the middle
- D. Covert timing
- E. Steganography

**Answer:** E

#### NEW QUESTION 226

- (Exam Topic 4)

A security analyst is working on a project that requires the implementation of a stream cipher. Which of the following should the analyst use?

- A. Hash function
- B. Elliptic curve
- C. Symmetric algorithm
- D. Public key cryptography

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 228

- (Exam Topic 4)

The IT department is deploying new computers. To ease the transition, users will be allowed to access their old and new systems.

The help desk is receive reports that users are experiencing the following error when attempting to log in to their previous system:

Logon Failure: Access Denied

Which of the following can cause this issue?

- A. Permission issues
- B. Access violations
- C. Certificate issues
- D. Misconfigured devices

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 231

- (Exam Topic 4)

A consultant has been tasked to assess a client's network. The client reports frequent network outages. Upon viewing the spanning tree configuration, the consultant notices that an old and low performing edge switch on the network has been elected to be the root bridge. Which of the following explains this scenario?

- A. The switch also serves as the DHCP server
- B. The switch has the lowest MAC address
- C. The switch has spanning tree loop protection enabled
- D. The switch has the fastest uplink port

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 236

- (Exam Topic 4)

An organization is trying to decide which type of access control is most appropriate for the network. The current access control approach is too complex and requires significant overhead. Management would like to simplify the access control and provide user with the ability to determine what permissions should be applied to files, document, and directories. The access control method that BEST satisfies these objectives is:

- A. Rule-based access control
- B. Role-based access control
- C. Mandatory access control
- D. Discretionary access control

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 237

- (Exam Topic 4)

A security auditor is putting together a report for the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on personnel security and its impact on the security posture of the whole organization. Which of the following would be the MOST important factor to consider when it comes to personnel security?

- A. Insider threats
- B. Privilege escalation
- C. Hacktivist
- D. Phishing through social media
- E. Corporate espionage

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 240

- (Exam Topic 4)

A company's loss control department identifies theft as a recurring loss type over the past year. Based on the department's report, the Chief Information Officer (CIO) wants to detect theft of datacenter equipment. Which of the following controls should be implemented?

- A. Biometrics
- B. Cameras
- C. Motion detectors
- D. Mantraps

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 243

- (Exam Topic 4)

Which of the following BEST describes a network-based attack that can allow an attacker to take full control of a vulnerable host?

- A. Remote exploit
- B. Amplification
- C. Sniffing
- D. Man-in-the-middle

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 244

- (Exam Topic 4)

Many employees are receiving email messages similar to the one shown below:

From IT department To employee Subject email quota exceeded Please click on the following link <http://www.website.info/email.php?quota=1Gb> and provide your username and password to increase your email quota. Upon reviewing other similar emails, the security administrator realized that all the phishing URLs have the following common elements; they all use HTTP, they all come from .info domains, and they all contain the same URI. Which of the following should the security administrator configure on the corporate content filter to prevent users from accessing the phishing URL, while at the same time minimizing false positives?

- A. BLOCK [http://www.\\*.info/](http://www.*.info/)
- B. DROP [http://\\*.website.info/email.php?](http://*.website.info/email.php?)
- C. Redirect [http://www.\\*.info/email.php?quota=\\*](http://www.*.info/email.php?quota=*) To [http://company.com/corporate\\_policy.html](http://company.com/corporate_policy.html)
- D. DENY [http://\\*.info/email.php?quota=1Gb](http://*.info/email.php?quota=1Gb)

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 249

- (Exam Topic 4)

An audit has revealed that database administrators are also responsible for auditing database changes and backup logs. Which of the following access control methodologies would BEST mitigate this concern?

- A. Time of day restrictions
- B. Principle of least privilege
- C. Role-based access control
- D. Separation of duties

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 253

- (Exam Topic 4)

While reviewing the security controls in place for a web-based application, a security controls assessor notices that there are no password strength requirements in place. Because of this vulnerability, passwords might be easily discovered using a brute force attack. Which of the following password requirements will MOST effectively improve the security posture of the application against these attacks? (Select two)

- A. Minimum complexity
- B. Maximum age limit
- C. Maximum length
- D. Minimum length
- E. Minimum age limit
- F. Minimum re-use limit

**Answer:** AD

#### NEW QUESTION 256

- (Exam Topic 4)

The computer resource center issued smartphones to all first-level and above managers. The managers have the ability to install mobile tools. Which of the following tools should be implemented to control the types of tools the managers install?

- A. Download manager
- B. Content manager
- C. Segmentation manager
- D. Application manager

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 258

- (Exam Topic 4)

A security administrator is tasked with implementing centralized management of all network devices. Network administrators will be required to logon to network devices using their LDAP credentials. All command executed by network administrators on network devices must fall within a preset list of authorized commands and must be logged to a central facility. Which of the following configuration commands should be implemented to enforce this requirement?

- A. LDAP server 10.55.199.3
- B. CN=company, CN=com, OU=netadmin, DC=192.32.10.233
- C. SYSLOG SERVER 172.16.23.50
- D. TACAS server 192.168.1.100

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 260

- (Exam Topic 4)

An attack that is using interference as its main attack to impede network traffic is which of the following?

- A. Introducing too much data to a targets memory allocation
- B. Utilizing a previously unknown security flaw against the target
- C. Using a similar wireless configuration of a nearby network
- D. Inundating a target system with SYN requests

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 261

- (Exam Topic 4)

During a recent audit, it was discovered that many services and desktops were missing security patches. Which of the following BEST describes the assessment that was performed to discover this issue?

- A. Network mapping
- B. Vulnerability scan
- C. Port Scan
- D. Protocol analysis

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 264

- (Exam Topic 4)

An actor downloads and runs a program against a corporate login page. The program imports a list of usernames and passwords, looking for a successful attempt.

Which of the following terms BEST describes the actor in this situation?

- A. Script kiddie
- B. Hactivist
- C. Cryptologist
- D. Security auditor

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 265

- (Exam Topic 4)

Which of the following is the BEST reason for salting a password hash before it is stored in a database?

- A. To prevent duplicate values from being stored
- B. To make the password retrieval process very slow
- C. To protect passwords from being saved in readable format
- D. To prevent users from using simple passwords for their access credentials

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 269

- (Exam Topic 4)

Which of the following allows an application to securely authenticate a user by receiving credentials from a web domain?

- A. TACACS+
- B. RADIUS
- C. Kerberos
- D. SAML

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 273

- (Exam Topic 4)

The IT department needs to prevent users from installing untested applications. Which of the following would provide the BEST solution?

- A. Job rotation
- B. Least privilege
- C. Account lockout
- D. Antivirus

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 274

- (Exam Topic 4)

When designing a web based client server application with single application server and database cluster backend, input validation should be performed:

- A. On the client
- B. Using database stored procedures
- C. On the application server
- D. Using HTTPS

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 275

- (Exam Topic 4)

A vice president at a manufacturing organization is concerned about desktops being connected to the network. Employees need to log onto the desktops' local account to verify that a product is being created within specifications; otherwise, the desktops should be as isolated as possible. Which of the following is the BEST way to accomplish this?

- A. Put the desktops in the DMZ.
- B. Create a separate VLAN for the desktops.
- C. Air gap the desktops.
- D. Join the desktops to an ad-hoc network.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 280

- (Exam Topic 4)

Which of the following penetration testing concepts is being used when an attacker uses public Internet databases to enumerate and learn more about a target?

- A. Reconnaissance
- B. Initial exploitation
- C. Pivoting
- D. Vulnerability scanning
- E. White box testing

**Answer:** A



#### NEW QUESTION 285

- (Exam Topic 4)

Which of the following delineates why it is important to perform egress filtering and monitoring on Internet connected security zones of interfaces on a firewall?

- A. Egress traffic is more important than ingress traffic for malware prevention
- B. To rebalance the amount of outbound traffic and inbound traffic
- C. Outbound traffic could be communicating to known botnet sources
- D. To prevent DDoS attacks originating from external network

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 286

- (Exam Topic 4)

A network administrator adds an ACL to allow only HTTPS connections form host 192.168.2.3 to web server 192.168.5.2. After applying the rule, the host is unable to access the server. The network administrator runs the output and notices the configuration below:

```
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.6 eq 3389 host 192.168.5.2
accesslist 102 deny ip any any log
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.3 eq 443 host 192.168.5.2
```

Which of the following rules would be BEST to resolve the issue?

- A
- ```
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.3 host 192.168.5.2 eq 443
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.6 host 192.168.5.2 eq 3389
accesslist 102 deny ip any any log
```
- B
- ```
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.6 host 192.168.5.2 eq 3389
accesslist 102 deny ip any any log
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.3 host 192.168.5.2 eq 443
```
- C
- ```
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.3 eq 443 host 192.168.5.2
accesslist 102 deny ip any any log
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.6 eq 3389 host 192.168.5.2
```
- D
- ```
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.3 host 192.168.5.2
accesslist 102 permit tcp host 192.168.2.6 eq 3389 host 192.168.5.2
accesslist 102 deny ip any any log
```

- A. Option A
- B. Option B
- C. Option C
- D. Option D

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 287

- (Exam Topic 4)

During a third-party audit, it is determined that a member of the firewall team can request, approve, and implement a new rule-set on the firewall. Which of the following will the audit team most likely recommend during the audit out brief?

- A. Discretionary access control for the firewall team
- B. Separation of duties policy for the firewall team
- C. Least privilege for the firewall team
- D. Mandatory access control for the firewall team

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 290

- (Exam Topic 4)

A security analyst captures forensic evidence from a potentially compromised system for further investigation. The evidence is documented and securely stored to FIRST:

- A. maintain the chain of custody.
- B. preserve the data.
- C. obtain a legal hold.



D. recover data at a later time.

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 295

- (Exam Topic 5)

The help desk received a call after hours from an employee who was attempting to log into the payroll server remotely. When the help desk returned the call the next morning, the employee was able to log into the server remotely without incident. However, the incident occurred again the next evening. Which of the following BEST describes the cause of the issue?

- A. The password expired on the account and needed to be reset
- B. The employee does not have the rights needed to access the database remotely
- C. Time-of-day restrictions prevented the account from logging in
- D. The employee's account was locked out and needed to be unlocked

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 300

- (Exam Topic 5)

An office manager found a folder that included documents with various types of data relating to corporate clients. The office manager notified the data included dates of birth, addresses, and phone numbers for the clients. The office manager then reported this finding to the security compliance officer. Which of the following portions of the policy would the security officer need to consult to determine if a breach has occurred?

- A. Public
- B. Private
- C. PHI
- D. PII

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 303

- (Exam Topic 5)

A Chief Information Officer (CIO) asks the company's security specialist if the company should spend any funds on malware protection for a specific server. Based on a risk assessment, the ARO value of a malware infection for a server is 5 and the annual cost for the malware protection is \$2500. Which of the following SLE values warrants a recommendation against purchasing the malware protection?

- A. \$500
- B. \$1000
- C. \$2000
- D. \$2500

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 308

- (Exam Topic 5)

Company A has acquired Company B. Company A has different domains spread globally, and typically migrates its acquisitions infrastructure under its own domain infrastructure. Company B, however, cannot be merged into Company A's domain infrastructure. Which of the following methods would allow the two companies to access one another's resources?

- A. Attestation
- B. Federation
- C. Single sign-on
- D. Kerberos

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 311

- (Exam Topic 5)

Which of the following uses precomputed hashes to guess passwords?

- A. Iptables
- B. NAT tables
- C. Rainbow tables
- D. ARP tables

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 316

- (Exam Topic 5)

A security administrator is reviewing the following PowerShell script referenced in the Task Scheduler on a database server:

```
$members = GetADGroupMemeber -Identity "Domain Admins" -Recursive | Select - ExpandProperty  
name  
if ($members -notcontains "JohnDoe"){  
Remove-Item -path C:\Database -recurse -force  
}
```

Which of the following did the security administrator discover?

- A. Ransomware
- B. Backdoor
- C. Logic bomb
- D. Trojan

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 318

- (Exam Topic 5)

Ann, a user, reports she is unable to access an application from her desktop. A security analyst verifies Ann's access and checks the SIEM for any errors. The security analyst reviews the log file from Ann's system and notices the following output:

```
2017--08-21 10:48:12 DROPTCP 172.20.89.232 239.255.255.255 443
1900 250 ----- RECEIVE 2017--08-21 10:48:12 DROPUDP
192.168.72.205 239.255.255.255 443 1900 250 ----- RECEIVE
```

Which of the following is MOST likely preventing Ann from accessing the application from the desktop?

- A. Web application firewall
- B. DLP
- C. Host-based firewall
- D. UTM
- E. Network-based firewall

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 321

- (Exam Topic 5)

A business sector is highly competitive, and safeguarding trade secrets and critical information is paramount. On a seasonal basis, an organization employs temporary hires and contractor personnel to accomplish its mission objectives. The temporary and contract personnel require access to network resources only when on the clock. Which of the following account management practices are the BEST ways to manage these accounts?

- A. Employ time-of-day restrictions.
- B. Employ password complexity.
- C. Employ a random key generator strategy.
- D. Employ an account expiration strategy.
- E. Employ a password lockout policy

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 324

- (Exam Topic 5)

A hacker has a packet capture that contains:

```
....Joe.Smith.....E289F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2..
....Jane.Doe.....AD1FAB10D33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2..
....John.Key.....3374E9E7E33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2..
```

Which of the following tools will the hacker use against this type of capture?

- A. Password cracker
- B. Vulnerability scanner
- C. DLP scanner
- D. Fuzzer

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 326

- (Exam Topic 5)

An organization plans to implement multifactor authentication techniques within the enterprise network architecture. Each authentication factor is expected to be a unique control. Which of the following BEST describes the proper employment of multifactor authentication?

- A. Proximity card, fingerprint scanner, PIN
- B. Fingerprint scanner, voice recognition, proximity card
- C. Smart card, user PKI certificate, privileged user certificate
- D. Voice recognition, smart card, proximity card

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 331

- (Exam Topic 5)

Which of the following is the BEST reason to run an untested application in a sandbox?

- A. To allow the application to take full advantage of the host system's resources and storage
- B. To utilize the host system's antivirus and firewall applications instead of running its own protection
- C. To prevent the application from acquiring escalated privileges and accessing its host system
- D. To increase application processing speed so the host system can perform real-time logging

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 336

- (Exam Topic 5)

A technician receives a device with the following anomalies: Frequent pop-up ads

Show response-time switching between active programs Unresponsive peripherals The technician reviews the following log file entries:

File Name Source MD5 Target MD5 Status

antivirus.exe F794F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2 F794F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF267ED2

Automatic iexplore.exe 7FAAF21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF29CCEA AA87F21CD33E4F57890DDEAEE2197333 Automatic service.exe

77FF390CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF28881F 77FF390CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF28881F Manual USB.exe E289F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF28EDC0

E289F21CD33E4F57890DDEA5CF28EDC0 Stopped

Based on the above output, which of the following should be reviewed?

- A. The web application firewall
- B. The file integrity check
- C. The data execution prevention
- D. The removable media control

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 341

- (Exam Topic 5)

An organization is expanding its network team. Currently, it has local accounts on all network devices, but with growth, it wants to move to centrally managed authentication. Which of the following are the BEST solutions for the organization? (Select TWO)

- A. TACACS+
- B. CHAP
- C. LDAP
- D. RADIUS
- E. MSCHAPv2

**Answer:** AD

#### NEW QUESTION 343

- (Exam Topic 5)

A security architect has convened a meeting to discuss an organization's key management policy. The organization has a reliable internal key management system, and some argue that it would be best to manage the cryptographic keys internally as opposed to using a solution from a third party. The company should use:

- A. the current internal key management system.
- B. a third-party key management system that will reduce operating costs.
- C. risk benefits analysis results to make a determination.
- D. a software solution including secure key escrow capabilities.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 346

- (Exam Topic 5)

A penetration tester is conducting an assessment on Comptia.org and runs the following command from a coffee shop while connected to the public Internet:

c:\nslookup - querytype=MX comptia.org

Server: Unknown Address: 198.51.100.45

comptia.org MX preference=10, mail exchanger = 92.68.102.33 comptia.org MX preference=20, mail exchanger = exchg1.comptia.org exchg1.comptia.org internet address = 192.168.102.67

Which of the following should the penetration tester conclude about the command output?



- A. The public/private views on the Comptia.org DNS servers are misconfigured.
- B. Comptia.org is running an older mail server, which may be vulnerable to exploits.
- C. The DNS SPF records have not been updated for Comptia.org.
- D. 192.168.102.67 is a backup mail server that may be more vulnerable to attack.

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 351

- (Exam Topic 5)

A security analyst is hardening a WiFi infrastructure. The primary requirements are the following:

-  The infrastructure must allow staff to authenticate using the most secure method.
  -  The infrastructure must allow guests to use an "open" WiFi network that logs valid email addresses before granting access to the Internet.
- Given these requirements, which of the following statements BEST represents what the analyst should recommend and configure?

- A. Configure a captive portal for guests and WPS for staff.
- B. Configure a captive portal for staff and WPA for guests.
- C. Configure a captive portal for staff and WEP for guests.
- D. Configure a captive portal for guest and WPA2 Enterprise for staff

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 355

- (Exam Topic 5)

A company has two wireless networks utilizing captive portals. Some employees report getting a trust error in their browsers when connecting to one of the networks. Both captive portals are using the same server certificate for authentication, but the analyst notices the following differences between the two certificate details:

Certificate 1

Certificate Path: Geotrust Global CA

\*company.com Certificate 2 Certificate Path:

\*company.com

Which of the following would resolve the problem?

- A. Use a wildcard certificate.
- B. Use certificate chaining.
- C. Use a trust model.
- D. Use an extended validation certificate.

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 358

- (Exam Topic 5)

A systems administrator is attempting to recover from a catastrophic failure in the datacenter. To recover the domain controller, the systems administrator needs to provide the domain administrator credentials. Which of the following account types is the systems administrator using?

- A. Local account
- B. Guest account
- C. Service account
- D. User account

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 362

- (Exam Topic 5)

Systems administrator and key support staff come together to simulate a hypothetical interruption of service. The team updates the disaster recovery processes and documentation after meeting. Which of the following describes the team's efforts?

- A. Business impact analysis
- B. Continuity of operation
- C. Tabletop exercise
- D. Order of restoration

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 364

- (Exam Topic 5)

While working on an incident, Joe, a technician, finished restoring the OS and applications on a workstation from the original media. Joe is about to begin copying the user's files back onto the hard drive. Which of the following incident response steps is Joe working on now?

- A. Recovery
- B. Eradication
- C. Containment
- D. Identification

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 365

- (Exam Topic 5)

An analyst is using a vulnerability scanner to look for common security misconfigurations on devices. Which of the following might be identified by the scanner? (Select TWO).

- A. The firewall is disabled on workstations.
- B. SSH is enabled on servers.
- C. Browser homepages have not been customized.
- D. Default administrator credentials exist on networking hardware.
- E. The OS is only set to check for updates once a day.

**Answer: AB**

#### NEW QUESTION 367

- (Exam Topic 5)

A company is allowing a BYOD policy for its staff. Which of the following is a best practice that can decrease the risk of users jailbreaking mobile devices?

- A. Install a corporately monitored mobile antivirus on the devices.
- B. Prevent the installation of applications from a third-party application store.
- C. Build a custom ROM that can prevent jailbreaking.
- D. Require applications to be digitally signed.

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 371

- (Exam Topic 5)

Which of the following scenarios BEST describes an implementation of non-repudiation?

- A. A user logs into a domain workstation and access network file shares for another department
- B. A user remotely logs into the mail server with another user's credentials
- C. A user sends a digitally signed email to the entire finance department about an upcoming meeting
- D. A user access the workstation registry to make unauthorized changes to enable functionality within an application

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 373

- (Exam Topic 5)

Following the successful response to a data-leakage incident, the incident team lead facilitates an exercise that focuses on continuous improvement of the organization's incident response capabilities. Which of the following activities has the incident team lead executed?

- A. Lessons learned review
- B. Root cause analysis
- C. Incident audit
- D. Corrective action exercise

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 376

- (Exam Topic 5)

An organization wants to upgrade its enterprise-wide desktop computer solution. The organization currently has 500 PCs active on the network. the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) suggests that the organization employ desktop imaging technology for such a large scale upgrade. Which of the following is a security benefit of implementing an imaging solution?

- A. it allows for faster deployment
- B. it provides a consistent baseline
- C. It reduces the number of vulnerabilities
- D. It decreases the boot time

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 378

- (Exam Topic 5)

A company offers SaaS, maintaining all customers' credentials and authenticating locally. Many large customers have requested the company offer some form of federation with their existing authentication infrastructures. Which of the following would allow customers to manage authentication and authorizations from within their existing organizations?

- A. Implement SAML so the company's services may accept assertions from the customers' authentication servers.
- B. Provide customers with a constrained interface to manage only their users' accounts in the company's active directory server.
- C. Provide a system for customers to replicate their users' passwords from their authentication service to the company's.
- D. Use SOAP calls to support authentication between the company's product and the customers' authentication servers.

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 381

- (Exam Topic 5)

Upon entering an incorrect password, the logon screen displays a message informing the user that the password does not match the username provided and is not the required length of 12 characters. Which of the following secure coding techniques should a security analyst address with the application developers to follow security best practices?

- A. Input validation
- B. Error handling
- C. Obfuscation
- D. Data exposure

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 382

- (Exam Topic 5)

Which of the following is the proper order for logging a user into a system from the first step to the last step?

- A. Identification, authentication, authorization
- B. Identification, authorization, authentication
- C. Authentication, identification, authorization
- D. Authentication, identification, authorization
- E. Authorization, identification, authentication

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 383

- (Exam Topic 5)



A new Chief Information Officer (CIO) has been reviewing the badging and decides to write a policy that all employees must have their badges rekeyed at least annually. Which of the following controls BEST describes this policy?

- A. Physical
- B. Corrective
- C. Technical
- D. Administrative

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 385

- (Exam Topic 5)

A systems administrator wants to implement a wireless protocol that will allow the organization to authenticate mobile devices prior to providing the user with a captive portal login. Which of the following should the systems administrator configure?

- A. L2TP with MAC filtering
- B. EAP-TTLS
- C. WPA2-CCMP with PSK
- D. RADIUS federation

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

RADIUS generally includes 802.1X that pre-authenticates devices.

#### NEW QUESTION 389

- (Exam Topic 5)

A new security administrator ran a vulnerability scanner for the first time and caused a system outage. Which of the following types of scans MOST likely caused the outage?

- A. Non-intrusive credentialed scan
- B. Non-intrusive non-credentialed scan
- C. Intrusive credentialed scan
- D. Intrusive non-credentialed scan

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 391

- (Exam Topic 5)

A systems administrator wants to provide balance between the security of a wireless network and usability. The administrator is concerned with wireless encryption compatibility of older devices used by some employees. Which of the following would provide strong security and backward compatibility when accessing the wireless network?

- A. Open wireless network and SSL VPN
- B. WPA using a preshared key
- C. WPA2 using a RADIUS back-end for 802.1x authentication
- D. WEP with a 40-bit key

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 394

- (Exam Topic 5)

Joe, a user, has been trying to send Ann, a different user, an encrypted document via email. Ann has not received the attachment but is able to receive the header information. Which of the following is MOST likely preventing Ann from receiving the encrypted file?

- A. Unencrypted credentials
- B. Authentication issues
- C. Weak cipher suite
- D. Permission issues

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 397

- (Exam Topic 5)

A company has noticed multiple instances of proprietary information on public websites. It has also observed an increase in the number of email messages sent to random employees containing malicious links and PDFs. Which of the following changes should the company make to reduce the risks associated with phishing attacks? (Select TWO)

- A. Install an additional firewall
- B. Implement a redundant email server
- C. Block access to personal email on corporate systems
- D. Update the X.509 certificates on the corporate email server
- E. Update corporate policy to prohibit access to social media websites
- F. Review access violation on the file server

**Answer:** CE

#### NEW QUESTION 400

- (Exam Topic 5)

After a recent internal breach, a company decided to regenerate and reissue all certificates used in the transmission of confidential information. The company places the greatest importance on confidentiality and non-repudiation, and decided to generate dual key pairs for each client. Which of the following BEST describes how the company will use these certificates?

- A. One key pair will be used for encryption and decryptio
- B. The other will be used to digitally sign the data.
- C. One key pair will be used for encryptio
- D. The other key pair will provide extended validation.
- E. Data will be encrypted once by each key, doubling the confidentiality and non-repudiation strength.
- F. One key pair will be used for internal communication, and the other will be used for external communication.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 404

- (Exam Topic 5)

A security administrator learns that PII, which was gathered by the organization, has been found in an open forum. As a result, several C-level executives found their identities were compromised, and they were victims of a recent whaling attack. Which of the following would prevent these problems in the future? (Select TWO).

- A. Implement a reverse proxy.
- B. Implement an email DLP.
- C. Implement a spam filter.
- D. Implement a host-based firewall.
- E. Implement a HIDS.

**Answer:** BC

#### NEW QUESTION 407

- (Exam Topic 5)

A security technician has been receiving alerts from several servers that indicate load balancers have had a significant increase in traffic. The technician initiates a system scan. The scan results illustrate that the disk space on several servers has reached capacity. The scan also indicates that incoming internet traffic to the servers has increased. Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of the decreased disk space?

- A. Misconfigured devices
- B. Logs and events anomalies
- C. Authentication issues
- D. Unauthorized software

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 411

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