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Task 03

Developing Incident Response Plans

➤ Identify Potential Security Incidents and Scenarios

Conduct a Threat Assessment:

Example Scenarios:

- **Malware Infection:** A user inadvertently downloads malware, compromising their workstation.
- **Phishing Attack:** An employee falls victim to a phishing email, disclosing their credentials.
- **Insider Threat:** A disgruntled employee accesses sensitive data without authorization.
- **Data Breach:** An attacker exploits a vulnerability in a web application to access customer data.

Categorize Incidents by Severity:

- **Low Severity:** Minor malware detected; no sensitive data affected.
- **Medium Severity:** Phishing incident with potential credential theft.
- **High Severity:** Data breach affecting sensitive customer information.

➤ Define Roles and Responsibilities for the Response Team

Incident Response Team Structure:

- **Incident Commander:** Oversees incident management.
 - **Name:** [Insert Name]
 - **Contact Info:** [Insert Contact Info]
 - **Technical Lead:** Coordinates technical response.
 - **Name:** [Insert Name]
 - **Contact Info:** [Insert Contact Info]
 - **Communications Officer:** Handles all communications and press releases.
 - **Name:** [Insert Name]
 - **Contact Info:** [Insert Contact Info]
 - **Legal Advisor:** Ensures compliance with laws and regulations.
 - **Name:** [Insert Name]
 - **Contact Info:** [Insert Contact Info]
 - **Forensic Analyst:** Conducts investigations and analyzes incidents.
 - **Name:** [Insert Name]
 - **Contact Info:** [Insert Contact Info]
- **Responsibilities:**
- Each member's responsibilities should be documented in the IRP to clarify expectations during an incident.

➤ Develop Step-by-Step Response Procedures

Preparation:

- **Maintain Security Controls:** Ensure firewalls, antivirus, and intrusion detection systems (IDS) are updated.

Identification:

- **Incident Reporting Mechanism:** Create an internal email or ticketing system for reporting incidents.

Containment:

- **Short-term Containment:** Isolate the affected system from the network.
- **Long-term Containment:** Implement temporary fixes to allow business operations while addressing the incident.

Eradication:

- **Remove Malware:** Use antivirus tools to clean infected systems.
- **Review and Patch Vulnerabilities:** Ensure that any exploited vulnerabilities are patched.

Recovery:

- **System Restoration:** Restore affected systems from clean backups.
- **Monitoring:** Implement enhanced monitoring to detect any signs of recurrence.

Post-Incident Analysis:

- **Conduct a Debriefing:** Document lessons learned and recommendations for improvement.

➤ **Conduct Training and Simulation Exercises**

Training Schedule:

- **Quarterly Training Sessions:** Focus on different incident types each quarter.

Simulation Exercises:

- **Tabletop Exercises:** Conduct discussions around hypothetical scenarios.
- **Live Simulations:** Execute a mock incident response to test readiness and coordination

➤ Review and Update the Plan Regularly

Schedule Reviews:

Biannual Review of the IRP: Set specific dates .

Feedback Mechanism:

Post-Incident Surveys: Collect feedback from team members involved in incident response to enhance the IRP.

Implementation Steps

1. **Draft the IRP:** Fill in the template with specific details relevant to your organization.
2. **Distribute the Plan:** Share the IRP with all relevant stakeholders and team members.
3. **Conduct Initial Training:** Schedule a kick-off training session to familiarize everyone with the plan.

4. **Implement Monitoring Tools:** Ensure necessary tools for detecting incidents are in place.
5. **Plan the First Simulation:** Organize an initial tabletop exercise to test the response procedures.

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Setting Up Your Environment:

Before you begin, ensure you have the necessary tools installed. Kali Linux comes pre-installed with many security tools, but you may want to ensure some essential ones are ready to use:

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y  
% [Connecting to http.kali.org]
```

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ sudo apt install nmap metasploit-framework clamav chkrootkit rkhunter
```

➤ Identifying Potential Security Incidents

You can write a script to scan the network for active devices and services using Nmap. This helps identify potential entry points for security incidents.

```

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ # Create a script named scan_network.sh
echo '#!/bin/bash' > scan_network.sh
echo 'echo "Scanning network for active devices ... "' >> scan_network.sh
echo 'nmap -sP 192.168.19.129/24 > network_scan_results.txt' >> scan_network.sh
echo 'echo "Scan complete. Results saved to network_scan_results.txt"' >> scan_network.sh

# Make the script executable
chmod +x scan_network.sh

# Run the script
./scan_network.sh
Scanning network for active devices ...
Scan complete. Results saved to network_scan_results.txt

```

➤ Defining Roles and Responsibilities

This can be documented in a markdown file or text file. Here's how you can create a simple document for roles.

```

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ # Create a roles document
echo '# Incident Response Team Roles' > roles.md
echo '## Incident Commander' >> roles.md
echo '- Name: [Usman Ali]' >> roles.md
echo '- Contact Info: [usman.ali@company.com, (555) 789-1234]' >> roles.md
echo '## Technical Lead' >> roles.md
echo '- Name: [Michael Rodriguez]' >> roles.md
echo '- Contact Info: [michael.rodriguez@company.com, (555) 456-7890]' >> roles.md
# Repeat for other roles ...
echo '## Communications Officer' >> roles.md
echo '- Name: [Emily Carter]' >> roles.md
echo '- Contact Info: [emily.carter@company.com, (555) 123-4567]' >> roles.md
echo '## Legal Advisor' >> roles.md
echo '- Name: [David Thompson]' >> roles.md
echo '- Contact Info: [david.thompson@company.com, (555) 987-6543]' >> roles.md
echo '## Forensic Analyst' >> roles.md
echo '- Name: [Kevin Patel]' >> roles.md
echo '- Contact Info: [kevin.patel@company.com, (555) 654-3210]' >> roles.md

# View the document
cat roles.md
# Incident Response Team Roles
## Incident Commander
- Name: [Usman Ali]
- Contact Info: [usman.ali@company.com, (555) 789-1234]
## Technical Lead
- Name: [Michael Rodriguez]
- Contact Info: [michael.rodriguez@company.com, (555) 456-7890]
## Communications Officer
- Name: [Emily Carter]
- Contact Info: [emily.carter@company.com, (555) 123-4567]
## Legal Advisor
- Name: [David Thompson]
- Contact Info: [david.thompson@company.com, (555) 987-6543]
## Forensic Analyst
- Name: [Kevin Patel]
- Contact Info: [kevin.patel@company.com, (555) 654-3210]

```

➤ Developing Step-by-Step Response Procedures

You can create scripts for various procedures. Below is an example of a script for containment and eradication of malware.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ # Create a containment script
echo '#!/bin/bash' > containment.sh
echo 'echo "Starting containment procedure ... "' >> containment.sh
echo 'echo "Isolating infected systems ... "' >> containment.sh
echo 'iptables -A INPUT -s <192.168.19.129> -j DROP' >> containment.sh
echo 'echo "Infected system isolated."' >> containment.sh
echo 'echo "Running malware scan ... "' >> containment.sh
echo 'clamscan -r --bell -i /home/' >> containment.sh
echo 'echo "Malware scan complete."' >> containment.sh

# Make the script executable
chmod +x containment.sh

./containment.sh
Starting containment procedure ...
Isolating infected systems ...
./containment.sh: line 4: 192.168.19.129: No such file or directory
Infected system isolated.
Running malware scan ...

----- SCAN SUMMARY -----
Known viruses: 8698861
Engine version: 1.3.1
Scanned directories: 325
Scanned files: 4410
Infected files: 0
Data scanned: 452.75 MB
Data read: 694.98 MB (ratio 0.65:1)
Time: 156.191 sec (2 m 36 s)
Start Date: 2024:09:26 13:34:59
End Date: 2024:09:26 13:37:35
Malware scan complete.
```

➤ Conducting Training and Simulation Exercises

You can create a simple exercise document using a text file.


```

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ # Create a training document
echo '# Incident Response Training Plan' > training_plan.md
echo '## Quarterly Training Schedule' >> training_plan.md
echo '- **Q1**: Malware Incident Response' >> training_plan.md
echo '- **Q2**: Phishing Attack Simulation' >> training_plan.md
echo '- **Q3**: Data Breach Tabletop Exercise' >> training_plan.md
echo '- **Q4**: Insider Threat Response' >> training_plan.md

# View the training plan
cat training_plan.md

# Incident Response Training Plan
## Quarterly Training Schedule
- **Q1**: Malware Incident Response
- **Q2**: Phishing Attack Simulation
- **Q3**: Data Breach Tabletop Exercise
- **Q4**: Insider Threat Response

```

➤ Reviewing and Updating the Plan Regularly

Create a script to automate the review of logs or incident reports. This can include checking for changes in the file system.

```

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ # Create a review script
echo '#!/bin/bash' > review_logs.sh
echo 'echo "Reviewing incident logs..." >> review_logs.sh
echo 'cat /var/log/syslog | grep -i error > error_log_review.txt' >> review_logs.sh
echo 'echo "Review complete. Errors saved to error_log_review.txt"' >> review_logs.sh

# Make the script executable
chmod +x review_logs.sh

# Run the script
./review_logs.sh

Reviewing incident logs...
cat: /var/log/syslog: No such file or directory
Review complete. Errors saved to error_log_review.txt

```


