

## Exam Questions CS0-002

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### NEW QUESTION 1

Which of the following would MOST likely be included in the incident response procedure after a security breach of customer PII?

- A. Human resources
- B. Public relations
- C. Marketing
- D. Internal network operations center

**Answer: B**

### NEW QUESTION 2

A cybersecurity analyst is supposing an incident response effort via threat intelligence. Which of the following is the analyst MOST likely executing?

- A. Requirements analysis and collection planning
- B. Containment and eradication
- C. Recovery and post-incident review
- D. Indicator enrichment and research pivoting

**Answer: D**

### NEW QUESTION 3

After receiving reports latency, a security analyst performs an Nmap scan and observes the following output:

```
Port      State      Service    Version
80/tcp    open      http       Apache httpd 2.2.14
111/udp   open      rpcbind
443/tcp   filtered  https      Apache httpd 2.2.14
2222/tcp  open      ssh        OpenSSH 5.3p1 Debian
3306/tcp  open      mysql      5.5.40-0ubuntu0.14.1
```

Which of the following suggests the system that produced output was compromised?

- A. Secure shell is operating of compromise on this system.
- B. There are no indicators of compromise on this system.
- C. MySQL services is identified on a standard PostgreSQL port.
- D. Standard HTP is open on the system and should be closed.

**Answer: B**

### NEW QUESTION 4

A security analyst needs to reduce the overall attack surface.

Which of the following infrastructure changes should the analyst recommend?

- A. Implement a honeypot.
- B. Air gap sensitive systems.
- C. Increase the network segmentation.
- D. Implement a cloud-based architecture.

**Answer: C**

### NEW QUESTION 5

Which of the following should be found within an organization's acceptable use policy?

- A. Passwords must be eight characters in length and contain at least one special character.
- B. Customer data must be handled properly, stored on company servers, and encrypted when possible
- C. Administrator accounts must be audited monthly, and inactive accounts should be removed.
- D. Consequences of violating the policy could include discipline up to and including termination.

**Answer: D**

### NEW QUESTION 6

A security administrator needs to create an IDS rule to alert on FTP login attempts by root. Which of the following rules is the BEST solution?

- A. `alert udp any any -> root any -> 21`
- B. `alert tcp any any -> any 21 (content:"root")`
- C. `alert tcp any any -> any root 21`
- D. `alert tcp any any -> any root (content:"ftp")`

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

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 7

Which of the following BEST describes the process by which code is developed, tested, and deployed in small batches?

- A. Agile
- B. Waterfall
- C. SDLC
- D. Dynamic code analysis

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 8

The inability to do remote updates of certificates, keys software and firmware is a security issue commonly associated with:

- A. web servers on private networks.
- B. HVAC control systems
- C. smartphones
- D. firewalls and UTM devices

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 9

A security analyst has discovered suspicious traffic and determined a host is connecting to a known malicious website. The MOST appropriate action for the analyst to take would be to implement a change request to:

- A. update the antivirus software
- B. configure the firewall to block traffic to the domain
- C. add the domain to the blacklist
- D. create an IPS signature for the domain

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 10

A security analyst has been alerted to several emails that show evidence an employee is planning malicious activities that involve employee PII on the network before leaving the organization. The security analysis BEST response would be to coordinate with the legal department and:

- A. the public relations department
- B. senior leadership
- C. law enforcement
- D. the human resources department

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 10

A security manager has asked an analyst to provide feedback on the results of a penetration test. After reviewing the results the manager requests information regarding the possible exploitation of vulnerabilities. Much of the following information data points would be MOST useful for the analyst to provide to the security manager who would then communicate the risk factors to senior management? (Select TWO)

- A. Probability
- B. Adversary capability
- C. Attack vector
- D. Impact
- E. Classification
- F. Indicators of compromise

**Answer:** AD

#### NEW QUESTION 15

A security analyst received an email with the following key: Xj3XJ3LLc

A second security analyst received an email with following key: 3XJ3xjcLLC

The security manager has informed the two analysts that the email they received is a key that allows access to the company's financial segment for maintenance. This is an example of:

- A. dual control
- B. private key encryption
- C. separation of duties
- D. public key encryption
- E. two-factor authentication

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 17

A web developer wants to create a new web part within the company website that aggregates sales from individual team sites. A cybersecurity analyst wants to ensure security measurements are implemented during this process. Which of the following remediation actions should the analyst take to implement a

vulnerability management process?

- A. Personnel training
- B. Vulnerability scan
- C. Change management
- D. Sandboxing

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 22

Which of the following BEST articulates the benefit of leveraging SCAP in an organization's cybersecurity analysis toolset?

- A. It automatically performs remedial configuration changes to enterprise security services
- B. It enables standard checklist and vulnerability analysis expressions for automation
- C. It establishes a continuous integration environment for software development operations
- D. It provides validation of suspected system vulnerabilities through workflow orchestration

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 25

Which of the following MOST accurately describes an HSM?

- A. An HSM is a low-cost solution for encryption.
- B. An HSM can be networked based or a removable USB
- C. An HSM is slower at encrypting than software
- D. An HSM is explicitly used for MFA

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 27

A company was recently awarded several large government contracts and wants to determine its current risk from one specific APT. Which of the following threat modeling methodologies would be the MOST appropriate to use during this analysis?

- A. Attack vectors
- B. Adversary capability
- C. Diamond Model of Intrusion Analysis
- D. Kill chain
- E. Total attack surface

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 30

A system administrator is doing network reconnaissance of a company's external network to determine the vulnerability of various services that are running. Sending some sample traffic to the external host, the administrator obtains the following packet capture:

```
18 17.646496 67.53.200.1 67.53.200.12 TCP 58 47669 -> 22 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=1024 Len=0 MSS=1460
19 17.646944 67.53.200.1 67.53.200.12 TCP 58 47669 -> 445 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=1024 Len=0 MSS=1460
20 17.648631 67.53.200.12 67.53.200.1 TCP 58 22 -> 47669 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=5840 Len=0 MSS=1460
21 17.648646 67.53.200.1 67.53.200.12 TCP 58 47669 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=1024 Len=0 MSS=1460
22 17.648887 67.53.200.12 67.53.200.1 TCP 54 445 -> 47669 [RST, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0 Len=0
23 17.649763 67.53.200.12 67.53.200.1 TCP 54 80 -> 47669 [RST, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0 Len=0
```

Based on the output, which of the following services should be further tested for vulnerabilities?

- A. SSH
- B. HTTP
- C. SMB
- D. HTTPS

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 32

A development team uses open-source software and follows an Agile methodology with two-week sprints. Last month, the security team filed a bug for an insecure version of a common library. The DevOps team updated the library on the server, and then the security team rescanned the server to verify it was no longer vulnerable. This month, the security team found the same vulnerability on the server. Which of the following should be done to correct the cause of the vulnerability?

- A. Deploy a WAF in front of the application.
- B. Implement a software repository management tool.
- C. Install a HIPS on the server.
- D. Instruct the developers to use input validation in the code.



Answer: B

#### NEW QUESTION 37

An organization was alerted to a possible compromise after its proprietary data was found for sale on the Internet. An analyst is reviewing the logs from the next-generation UTM in an attempt to find evidence of this breach. Given the following output:

Src IP	Src DNS	Dst IP	Dst DNS	Port	Application
10.50.50.121	83hht23.org-int.org	8.8.8.8	google...dns-a.google.com	53	DNS
10.50.50.121	83hht23.org-int.org	77.88.55.66	yandex.ru	443	HTTPS
172.16.52.20	webserver.org-dmz.org	131.52.88.45	--	53	DNS
10.100.10.45	appserver.org-int.org	69.134.21.90	repo.its.utk.edu	21	FTP
172.16.52.20	webserver.org-dmz.org	131.52.88.45	--	10999	HTTPS
172.16.52.100	sftp.org-dmz.org	62.30.221.56	ftps.bluedmed.net	42991	SSH
172.16.52.20	webserver.org-dmz.org	131.52.88.45	--	10999	HTTPS

Which of the following should be the focus of the investigation?

- A. webserver.org-dmz.org
- B. sftp.org-dmz.org
- C. 83hht23.org-int.org
- D. ftps.bluedmed.net

Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 38

A security analyst is reviewing the following log from an email security service.

```
Rejection type:      Drop
Rejection description: IP found in RBL
Event time:          Today at 16:06
Rejection information: mail.comptia.org
                    https://www.spamfilter.org/query?P=192.167.28.243
From address:        user@comptex.org
To address:          tests@comptia.org
IP address:          192.167.28.243
Remote server name:  192.167.28.243
```

Which of the following BEST describes the reason why the email was blocked?

- A. The To address is invalid.
- B. The email originated from the www.spamfilter.org URL.
- C. The IP address and the remote server name are the same.
- D. The IP address was blacklisted.
- E. The From address is invalid.

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 39

A security analyst is attempting to utilize the blowing threat intelligence for developing detection capabilities:

APT X's approach to a target would be sending a phishing email to the target after conducting active and passive reconnaissance. Upon successful compromise, APT X conducts internal reconnaissance and attempts to move laterally by utilizing existing resources. When APT X finds data that aligns to its objectives, it stages and then exfiltrates data sets in sizes that can range from 1GB to 5GB. APT X also establishes several backdoors to maintain a C2 presence in the environment.

In which of the following phases is this APT MOST likely to leave discoverable artifacts?

- A. Data collection/exfiltration
- B. Defensive evasion
- C. Lateral movement
- D. Reconnaissance

Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 43

A web-based front end for a business intelligence application uses pass-through authentication to authenticate users. The application then uses a service account, to perform queries and look up data in a database. A security analyst discovers employees are accessing data sets they have not been authorized to use. Which of the following will fix the cause of the issue?

- A. Change the security model to force the users to access the database as themselves
- B. Parameterize queries to prevent unauthorized SQL queries against the database
- C. Configure database security logging using syslog or a SIEM
- D. Enforce unique session IDs so users do not get a reused session ID

Answer: B

#### NEW QUESTION 46

Which of the following technologies can be used to house the entropy keys for disk encryption on desktops and laptops?

- A. Self-encrypting drive
- B. Bus encryption
- C. TPM
- D. HSM

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 50

A company's Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is concerned about the integrity of some highly confidential files. Any changes to these files must be tied back to a specific authorized user's activity session. Which of the following is the BEST technique to address the CISO's concerns?

- A. Configure DLP to reject all changes to the files without pre-authorization
- B. Monitor the files for unauthorized changes.
- C. Regularly use SHA-256 to hash the directory containing the sensitive information
- D. Monitor the files for unauthorized changes.
- E. Place a legal hold on the file
- F. Require authorized users to abide by a strict time context access policy. Monitor the files for unauthorized changes.
- G. Use Wireshark to scan all traffic to and from the director
- H. Monitor the files for unauthorized changes.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 55

A monthly job to install approved vendor software updates and hot fixes recently stopped working. The security team performed a vulnerability scan, which identified several hosts as having some critical OS vulnerabilities, as referenced in the common vulnerabilities and exposures (CVE) database. Which of the following should the security team do NEXT to resolve the critical findings in the most effective manner? (Choose two.)

- A. Patch the required hosts with the correct updates and hot fixes, and rescan them for vulnerabilities.
- B. Remove the servers reported to have high and medium vulnerabilities.
- C. Tag the computers with critical findings as a business risk acceptance.
- D. Manually patch the computers on the network, as recommended on the CVE website.
- E. Harden the hosts on the network, as recommended by the NIST framework.
- F. Resolve the monthly job issues and test them before applying them to the production network.

**Answer:** CE

#### NEW QUESTION 56

Ransomware is identified on a company's network that affects both Windows and MAC hosts. The command and control channel for encryption for this variant uses TCP ports from 11000 to 65000. The channel goes to good1. Iholdbadkeys.com, which resolves to IP address 72.172.16.2.

Which of the following is the MOST effective way to prevent any newly infected systems from actually encrypting the data on connected network drives while causing the least disruption to normal Internet traffic?

- A. Block all outbound traffic to web host good1. Iholdbadkeys.com at the border gateway.
- B. Block all outbound TCP connections to IP host address 72.172.16.2 at the border gateway.
- C. Block all outbound traffic on TCP ports 11000 to 65000 at the border gateway.
- D. Block all outbound traffic on TCP ports 11000 to 65000 to IP host address 72.172.16.2 at the border gateway.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 60

A security analyst is reviewing packet captures from a system that was compromised. The system was already isolated from the network, but it did have network access for a few hours after being compromised. When viewing the capture in a packet analyzer, the analyst sees the following:

```
11:03:09.095091 IP 10.1.1.10.47787 > 128.50.100.3.53:48202+ A? michael.smith.334-54-2343.985-334-5643.1123-kathman-dr.ajgidwle.com.  
11:03:09.186945 IP 10.1.1.10.47788 > 128.50.100.3.53:49675+ A? ronald.young.437-96-6523.212-635-6528.2426-riverland-st.ajgidwle.com.  
11:03:09.189567 IP 10.1.1.10.47789 > 128.50.100.3.53:50986+ A? mark.leblanc.485-63-5278.802-632-5841.68951-peachtree-st.ajgidwle.com.  
11:03:09.296854 IP 10.1.1.10.47790 > 128.50.100.3.53:51567+ A? gina.buras.471-96-2354.313-654-9254.3698-mcgee-rd.ajgidwle.com.
```

Which of the following can the analyst conclude?

- A. Malware is attempting to beacon to 128.50.100.3.
- B. The system is running a DoS attack against ajgidwle.com.
- C. The system is scanning ajgidwle.com for PII.
- D. Data is being exfiltrated over DNS.

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 63

An organization that handles sensitive financial information wants to perform tokenization of data to enable the execution of recurring transactions. The organization is most interested in a secure, built-in device to support its solution. Which of the following would MOST likely be required to perform the desired function?

- A. TPM
- B. eFuse
- C. FPGA
- D. HSM

E. UEFI

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 67

A security analyst at a technology solutions firm has uncovered the same vulnerabilities on a vulnerability scan for a long period of time. The vulnerabilities are on systems that are dedicated to the firm's largest client. Which of the following is MOST likely inhibiting the remediation efforts?

- A. The parties have an MOU between them that could prevent shutting down the systems
- B. There is a potential disruption of the vendor-client relationship
- C. Patches for the vulnerabilities have not been fully tested by the software vendor
- D. There is an SLA with the client that allows very little downtime

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 70

A large software company wants to move «s source control and deployment pipelines into a cloud-computing environment. Due to the nature of the business management determines the recovery time objective needs to be within one hour. Which of the following strategies would put the company in the BEST position to achieve the desired recovery time?

- A. Establish an alternate site with active replication to other regions
- B. Configure a duplicate environment in the same region and load balance between both instances
- C. Set up every cloud component with duplicated copies and auto scaling turned on
- D. Create a duplicate copy on premises that can be used for failover in a disaster situation

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 71

Which of the following sets of attributes BEST illustrates the characteristics of an insider threat from a security perspective?

- A. Unauthorized, unintentional, benign
- B. Unauthorized, intentional, malicious
- C. Authorized, intentional, malicious
- D. Authorized, unintentional, benign

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 73

A security analyst on the threat-hunting team has developed a list of unneeded, benign services that are currently running as part of the standard OS deployment for workstations. The analyst will provide this list to the operations team to create a policy that will automatically disable the services for all workstations in the organization.

Which of the following BEST describes the security analyst's goal?

- A. To create a system baseline
- B. To reduce the attack surface
- C. To optimize system performance
- D. To improve malware detection

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 77

Which of the following are components of the intelligence cycle? (Select TWO.)

- A. Collection
- B. Normalization
- C. Response
- D. Analysis
- E. Correction
- F. Dissension

**Answer:** BE

#### NEW QUESTION 81

A security analyst discovers a vulnerability on an unpatched web server that is used for testing machine learning on Bing Data sets. Exploitation of the vulnerability could cost the organization \$1.5 million in lost productivity. The server is located on an isolated network segment that has a 5% chance of being compromised. Which of the following is the value of this risk?

- A. \$75,000
- B. \$300,000
- C. \$1.425 million
- D. \$1.5 million

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 84

A cybersecurity analyst has access to several threat feeds and wants to organize them while simultaneously comparing intelligence against network traffic. Which of the following would BEST accomplish this goal?

- A. Continuous integration and deployment
- B. Automation and orchestration
- C. Static and dynamic analysis
- D. Information sharing and analysis

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 89

A security analyst is reviewing a web application. If an unauthenticated user tries to access a page in the application, the user is redirected to the login page. After successful authentication, the user is then redirected back to the original page. Some users have reported receiving phishing emails with a link that takes them to the application login page but then redirects to a fake login page after successful authentication.

Which of the following will remediate this software vulnerability?

- A. Enforce unique session IDs for the application.
- B. Deploy a WAF in front of the web application.
- C. Check for and enforce the proper domain for the redirect.
- D. Use a parameterized query to check the credentials.
- E. Implement email filtering with anti-phishing protection.

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 90

The inability to do remote updates of certificates, keys, software, and firmware is a security issue commonly associated with:

- A. web servers on private networks
- B. HVAC control systems
- C. smartphones
- D. firewalls and UTM devices

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 92

As part of a review of modern response plans, which of the following is MOST important for an organization to understand when establishing the breach notification period?

- A. Organizational policies
- B. Vendor requirements and contracts
- C. Service-level agreements
- D. Legal requirements

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 94

An organization has not had an incident for several months. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) wants to move to a more proactive stance for security investigations. Which of the following would BEST meet that goal?

- A. Root-cause analysis
- B. Active response
- C. Advanced antivirus
- D. Information-sharing community
- E. Threat hunting

**Answer:** E

#### NEW QUESTION 99

Which of the following will allow different cloud instances to share various types of data with a minimal amount of complexity?

- A. Reverse engineering
- B. Application log collectors
- C. Workflow orchestration
- D. API integration
- E. Scripting

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 101

A development team is testing a new application release. The team needs to import existing client PHI data records from the production environment to the test environment to test accuracy and functionality.

Which of the following would BEST protect the sensitivity of this data while still allowing the team to perform the testing?

- A. Deidentification
- B. Encoding
- C. Encryption
- D. Watermarking



Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 103

A security analyst is trying to determine if a host is active on a network. The analyst first attempts the following:

```
$ ping 192.168.1.4
PING 192.168.1.4 (192.168.1.4): 56 data bytes
--- 192.168.1.4 ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 0 packets received, 100.0% packet loss
```

The analyst runs the following command next:

```
$ sudo hping3 -c 4 -n -i 192.168.1.4
HPING 192.168.1.4 (enl 192.168.1.4): NO FLAGS are set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=192.168.1.4 ttl=64 id=32101 sport=0 flags=RA seq=0 win=0 rtt=0.4ms
len=46 ip=192.168.1.4 ttl=64 id=32102 sport=0 flags=RA seq=1 win=0 rtt=0.3ms
len=46 ip=192.168.1.4 ttl=64 id=22103 sport=0 flags=RA seq=2 win=0 rtt=0.4ms
len=46 ip=192.168.1.4 ttl=64 id=32104 sport=0 flags=RA seq=3 win=0 rtt=0.4ms
--- 10.0.1.33 hpaing statistic ---
4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
```

Which of the following would explain the difference in results?

- A. ICMP is being blocked by a firewall.
- B. The routing tables for ping and hping3 were different.
- C. The original ping command needed root permission to execute.
- D. hping3 is returning a false positive.

Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 106

A development team signed a contract that requires access to an on-premises physical server. Access must be restricted to authorized users only and cannot be connected to the Internet.

Which of the following solutions would meet this requirement?

- A. Establish a hosted SSO.
- B. Implement a CASB.
- C. Virtualize the server.
- D. Air gap the server.

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 107

A cybersecurity analyst needs to rearchitect the network using a firewall and a VPN server to achieve the highest level of security To BEST complete this task, the analyst should place the:

- A. firewall behind the VPN server
- B. VPN server parallel to the firewall
- C. VPN server behind the firewall
- D. VPN on the firewall

Answer: B

#### NEW QUESTION 112

While preparing of an audit of information security controls in the environment an analyst outlines a framework control that has the following requirements:

- All sensitive data must be classified
- All sensitive data must be purged on a quarterly basis
- Certificates of disposal must remain on file for at least three years

This framework control is MOST likely classified as:

- A. prescriptive
- B. risk-based
- C. preventive
- D. corrective

Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 116

Welcome to the Enterprise Help Desk System. Please work the ticket escalated to you in the desk ticket queue. INSTRUCTIONS

Click on me ticket to see the ticket details Additional content is available on tabs within the ticket

First, select the appropriate issue from the drop-down menu. Then, select the MOST likely root cause from second drop-down menu

If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please click the Reset All button

**Tickets**

Subject	Date	Priority
Michael is reporting that th... #8675309	7/24/2020	High

**Details**

#8675309

Priority: High

Category: Technical/ Bug Reports

Assigned To: sample@emailaddress.com

Assigned Date: 7/24/2020

**Info** Assets Users Approved Software

Subject: Michael is reporting that the Internet kiosk machine is intermittently freezing and has lagged performance.

Attachments: none

Issue: Drive is low on space

Caused by: taskmgr.exe

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User is not logged in

Recent Windows Updates

High Memory Utilization

Application Crash

Services Failed to Start

Drive is low on space

High CPU Utilization

Chrome.exe

notepad.exe

svchost.exe

Firefox.exe

wuauclt.exe

User

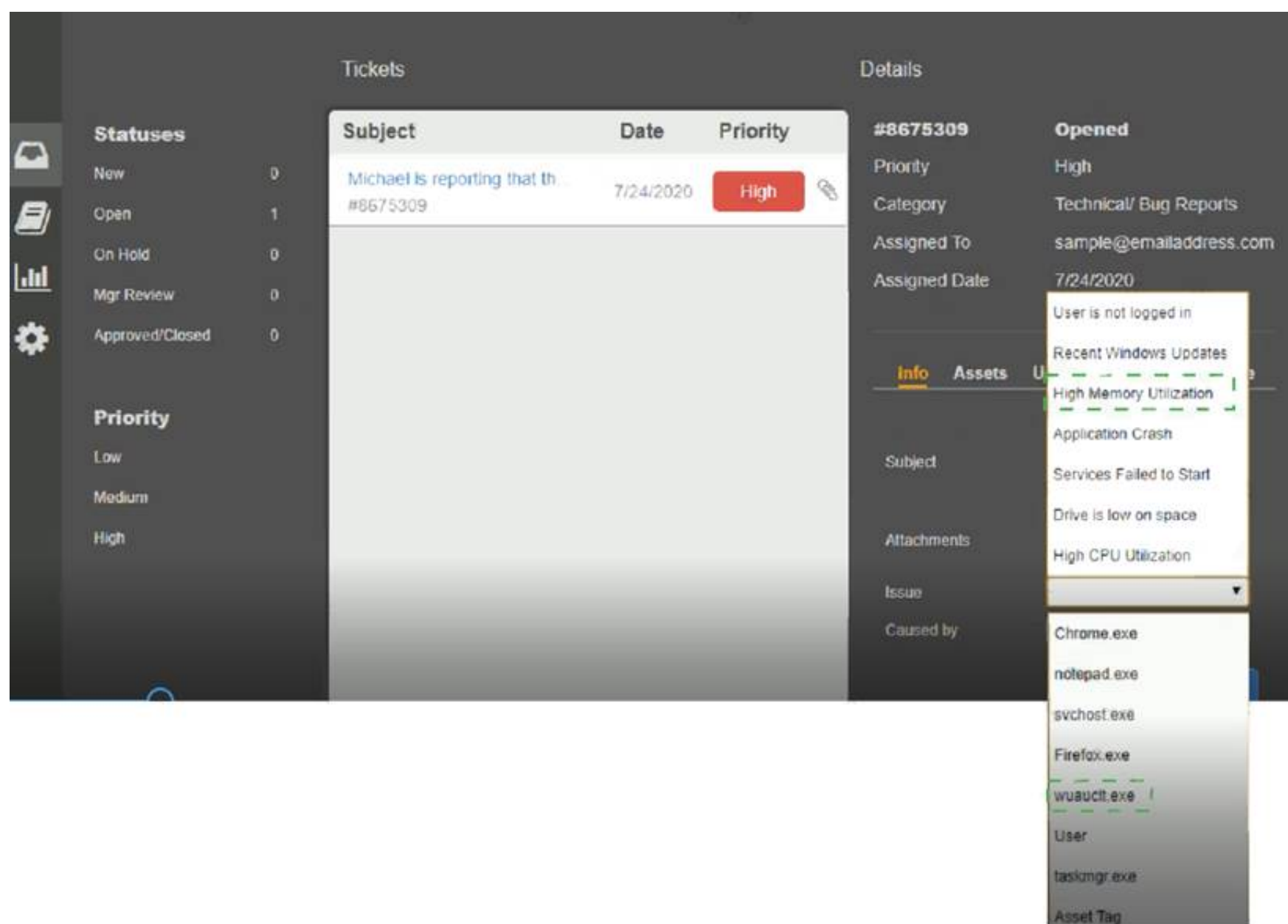
taskmgr.exe

Asset Tag

- A. Mastered
- B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

Explanation:



#### NEW QUESTION 118

An executive assistant wants to onboard a new cloud based product to help with business analytics and dashboarding. When of the following would be the BEST integration option for the service?

- A. Manually log in to the service and upload data files on a regular basis.
- B. Have the internal development team script connectivity and file translate to the new service.
- C. Create a dedicated SFTP sue and schedule transfers to ensue file transport security
- D. Utilize the cloud products API for supported and ongoing integrations

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 121

A security analyst has received information from a third-party intelligence-sharing resource that indicates employee accounts were breached. Which of the following is the NEXT step the analyst should take to address the issue?

- A. Audit access permissions for all employees to ensure least privilege.
- B. Force a password reset for the impacted employees and revoke any tokens.
- C. Configure SSO to prevent passwords from going outside the local network.
- D. Set up privileged access management to ensure auditing is enabled.

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 126

Data spillage occurred when an employee accidentally emailed a sensitive file to an external recipient. Which of the following controls would have MOST likely prevented this incident?

- A. SSO
- B. DLP
- C. WAF
- D. VDI

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 129

A security analyst wants to identify which vulnerabilities a potential attacker might initially exploit if the network is compromised Which of the following would provide the BEST results?

- A. Baseline configuration assessment
- B. Uncredentialed scan
- C. Network ping sweep
- D. External penetration test

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 132

An analyst is performing penetration testing and vulnerability assessment activities against a new vehicle automation platform. Which of the following is MOST likely an attack vector that is being utilized as part of the testing and assessment?

- A. FaaS
- B. RTOS
- C. SoC
- D. GPS
- E. CAN bus

**Answer:** E

#### NEW QUESTION 134

After a breach involving the exfiltration of a large amount of sensitive data a security analyst is reviewing the following firewall logs to determine how the breach occurred:

```
3-10-2019 10:23:22 FROM 192.168.1.10:3243 TO 10.10.10.5:53 PERMIT UDP 143 BYTES
3-10-2019 10:23:24 FROM 192.168.1.12:1076 TO 10.10.35.221:80 PERMIT TCP 100 BYTES
3-10-2019 10:23:25 FROM 192.168.1.1:1244 TO 10.10.1.1:22 DENY TCP 1 BYTES
3-10-2019 10:23:26 FROM 192.168.1.12:1034 TO 10.10.10.5:53 PERMIT UDP 5.3M BYTES
3-10-2019 10:23:29 FROM 192.168.1.10:4311 TO 10.10.200.50:3389 DENY TCP 1 BYTES
3-10-2019 10:23:30 FROM 192.168.1.193:2356 TO 10.10.50.199:25 PERMIT TCP 20K BYTES
```

Which of the following IP addresses does the analyst need to investigate further?

- A. 192.168.1.1
- B. 192.168.1.10
- C. 192.168.1.12
- D. 192.168.1.193

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 136

A security analyst gathered forensics from a recent intrusion in preparation for legal proceedings. The analyst used EnCase to gather the digital forensics, cloned the hard drive, and took the hard drive home for further analysis. Which of the following of the security analyst violate?

- A. Cloning procedures
- B. Chain of custody
- C. Hashing procedures
- D. Virtualization

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 141

A small organization has proprietary software that is used internally. The system has not been well maintained and cannot be updated with the rest of the environment Which of the following is the BEST solution?

- A. Virtualize the system and decommission the physical machine.
- B. Remove it from the network and require air gapping.
- C. Only allow access to the system via a jumpbox
- D. Implement MFA on the specific system.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 144

Which of me following BEST articulates the benefit of leveraging SCAP in an organization's cybersecurity analysis toolset?

- A. It automatically performs remedial configuration changes lo enterprise security services
- B. It enables standard checklist and vulnerability analysis expressions for automaton
- C. It establishes a continuous integration environment for software development operations
- D. It provides validation of suspected system vulnerabilities through workflow orchestration

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 147

A user receives a potentially malicious email that contains spelling errors and a PDF document. A security analyst reviews the email and decides to download the attachment to a Linux sandbox for review.

Which of the following commands would MOST likely indicate if the email is malicious?

- A. sha256sum ~/Desktop/file.pdf
- B. file ~/Desktop/file.pdf
- C. strings ~/Desktop/file.pdf | grep "<script"
- D. cat < ~/Desktop/file.pdf | grep -i .exe

**Answer:** A



#### NEW QUESTION 151

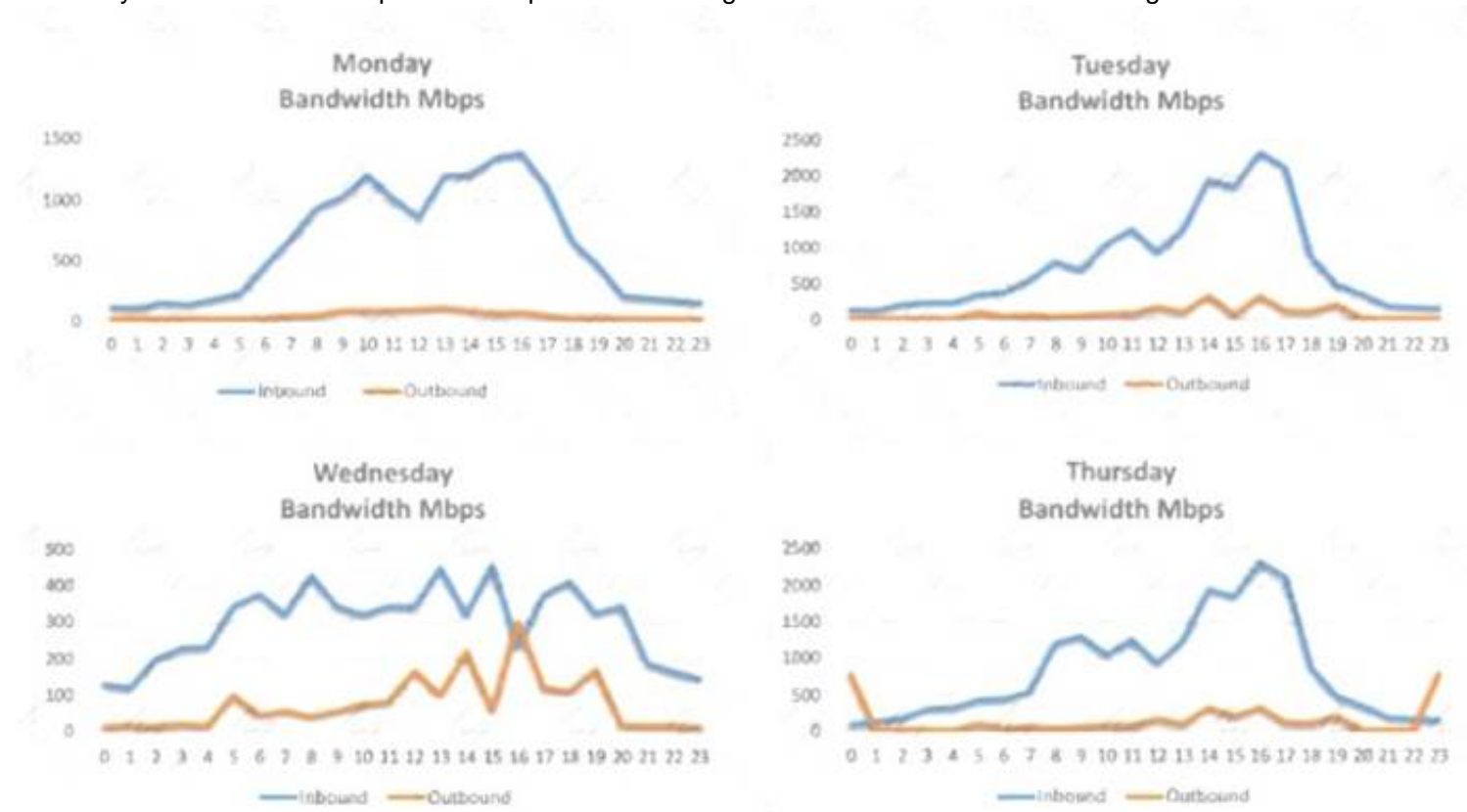
Which of the following types of policies is used to regulate data storage on the network?

- A. Password
- B. Acceptable use
- C. Account management
- D. Retention

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 152

A security analyst is conducting a post-incident log analysis to determine which indicators can be used to detect further occurrences of a data exfiltration incident. The analyst determines backups were not performed during this time and reviews the following:



Which of the following should the analyst review to find out how the data was exfiltrated?

- A. Monday's logs
- B. Tuesday's logs
- C. Wednesday's logs
- D. Thursday's logs

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 155

An analyst is investigating an anomalous event reported by the SOC. After reviewing the system logs, the analyst identifies an unexpected addition of a user with root-level privileges on the endpoint. Which of the following data sources will BEST help the analyst to determine whether this event constitutes an incident?

- A. Patching logs
- B. Threat feed
- C. Backup logs
- D. Change requests
- E. Data classification matrix

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 157

A malicious hacker wants to gather guest credentials on a hotel 802.11 network. Which of the following tools is the malicious hacker going to use to gain access to information found on the hotel network?

- A. Nikto
- B. Aircrack-ng
- C. Nessus
- D. tcpdump

Answer: A

#### NEW QUESTION 160

Which of the following roles is ultimately responsible for determining the classification levels assigned to specific data sets?

- A. Data custodian
- B. Data owner
- C. Data processor
- D. Senior management

Answer: B

#### NEW QUESTION 164

Which of the following policies would state an employee should not disable security safeguards, such as host firewalls and antivirus on company systems?

- A. Code of conduct policy
- B. Account management policy
- C. Password policy
- D. Acceptable use policy

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 168

A security analyst is reviewing vulnerability scan results and notices new workstations are being flagged as having outdated antivirus signatures. The analyst observes the following plugin output:

Antivirus is installed on the remote host:

Installation path: C:\Program Files\AVProduct\Win32\ Product Engine: 14.12.101

Engine Version: 3.5.71

Scanner does not currently have information about AVProduct version 3.5.71. It may no longer be supported.

The engine version is out of date. The oldest supported version from the vendor is 4.2.11. The analyst uses the vendor's website to confirm the oldest supported version is correct. Which of the following BEST describes the situation?

- A. This is a false positive, and the scanning plugin needs to be updated by the vendor.
- B. This is a true negative, and the new computers have the correct version of the software.
- C. This is a true positive, and the new computers were imaged with an old version of the software.
- D. This is a false negative, and the new computers need to be updated by the desktop team.

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 170

Risk management wants IT to implement a solution that will permit an analyst to intercept, execute, and analyze potentially malicious files that are downloaded from the Internet.

Which of the following would BEST provide this solution?

- A. File fingerprinting
- B. Decomposition of malware
- C. Risk evaluation
- D. Sandboxing

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 172

A team of security analysts has been alerted to potential malware activity. The initial examination indicates one of the affected workstations is beaconing on TCP port 80 to five IP addresses and attempting to spread across the network over port 445. Which of the following should be the team's NEXT step during the detection phase of this response process?

- A. Escalate the incident to management, who will then engage the network infrastructure team to keep them informed.
- B. Depending on system criticality, remove each affected device from the network by disabling wired and wireless connections.
- C. Engage the engineering team to block SMB traffic internally and outbound HTTP traffic to the five IP addresses.
- D. Identify potentially affected systems by creating a correlation search in the SIEM based on the network traffic.

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 177

A new on-premises application server was recently installed on the network. Remote access to the server was enabled for vendor support on required ports, but recent security reports show large amounts of data are being sent to various unauthorized networks through those ports. Which of the following configuration changes must be implemented to resolve this security issue while still allowing remote vendor access?

- A. Apply a firewall application server rule.
- B. Whitelist the application server.
- C. Sandbox the application server.
- D. Enable port security.
- E. Block the unauthorized networks.

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 180

A security analyst is providing a risk assessment for a medical device that will be installed on the corporate network. During the assessment, the analyst discovers the device has an embedded operating system that will be at the end of its life in two years. Due to the criticality of the device, the security committee makes a risk-based policy decision to review and enforce the vendor upgrade before the end of life is reached.

Which of the following risk actions has the security committee taken?

- A. Risk exception
- B. Risk avoidance
- C. Risk tolerance
- D. Risk acceptance

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 185

An audit has revealed an organization is utilizing a large number of servers that are running unsupported operating systems.

As part of the management response phase of the audit, which of the following would BEST demonstrate senior management is appropriately aware of and addressing the issue?

- A. Copies of prior audits that did not identify the servers as an issue
- B. Project plans relating to the replacement of the servers that were approved by management
- C. Minutes from meetings in which risk assessment activities addressing the servers were discussed
- D. ACLs from perimeter firewalls showing blocked access to the servers
- E. Copies of change orders relating to the vulnerable servers

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 189

Bootloader malware was recently discovered on several company workstations. All the workstations run Windows and are current models with UEFI capability.

Which of the following UEFI settings is the MOST likely cause of the infections?

- A. Compatibility mode
- B. Secure boot mode
- C. Native mode
- D. Fast boot mode

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 192

As part of an exercise set up by the information security officer, the IT staff must move some of the network systems to an off-site facility and redeploy them for testing. All staff members must ensure their respective systems can power back up and match their gold image. If they find any inconsistencies, they must formally document the information.

Which of the following BEST describes this test?

- A. Walk through
- B. Full interruption
- C. Simulation
- D. Parallel

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 197

During an investigation, a security analyst determines suspicious activity occurred during the night shift over the weekend. Further investigation reveals the activity was initiated from an internal IP going to an external website.

Which of the following would be the MOST appropriate recommendation to prevent the activity from happening in the future?

- A. An IPS signature modification for the specific IP addresses
- B. An IDS signature modification for the specific IP addresses
- C. A firewall rule that will block port 80 traffic
- D. A firewall rule that will block traffic from the specific IP addresses

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 199

A security analyst is investigating a compromised Linux server. The analyst issues the ps command and receives the following output.

```
1286  ?    Ss    0:00  /usr/sbin/cupsd -f
1287  ?    Ss    0:00  /usr/sbin/httpd
1297  ?    Ssl   0:00  /usr/bin/libvirtd
1301  ?    Ss    0:00  ./usr/sbin/sshd -D
1308  ?    Ss    0:00  /usr/sbin/atd -f
```

Which of the following commands should the administrator run NEXT to further analyze the compromised system?

- A. strace /proc/1301
- B. rpm -V openash-server
- C. /bin/la -l /proc/1301/exe
- D. kill -9 1301

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 201

Which of the following software security best practices would prevent an attacker from being able to run arbitrary SQL commands within a web application? (Choose two.)

- A. Parameterized queries
- B. Session management
- C. Input validation
- D. Output encoding
- E. Data protection
- F. Authentication

Answer: AC

#### NEW QUESTION 202

When attempting to do a stealth scan against a system that does not respond to ping, which of the following Nmap commands BEST accomplishes that goal?

- A. nmap -sA -O <system> -noping
- B. nmap -sT -O <system> -P0
- C. nmap -sS -O <system> -P0
- D. nmap -sQ -O <system> -P0

Answer: C

#### NEW QUESTION 207

A cybersecurity analyst is currently checking a newly deployed server that has an access control list applied. When conducting the scan, the analyst received the following code snippet of results:

```
Mail Server1
Trying 192.168.2.2
Connected
Get / HTTP/ 1.0

HTTP/1.0 200 Document follows
Server: server/0.10
Connection: close
Set-Cookie: testing=1; path=/
```

Which of the following describes the output of this scan?

- A. The analyst has discovered a False Positive, and the status code is incorrect providing an OK message.
- B. The analyst has discovered a True Positive, and the status code is correct providing a file not found error message.
- C. The analyst has discovered a True Positive, and the status code is incorrect providing a forbidden message.
- D. The analyst has discovered a False Positive, and the status code is incorrect providing a server error message.

Answer: B

#### NEW QUESTION 208

An incident responder successfully acquired application binaries off a mobile device for later forensic analysis. Which of the following should the analyst do NEXT?

- A. Decompile each binary to derive the source code.
- B. Perform a factory reset on the affected mobile device.
- C. Compute SHA-256 hashes for each binary.
- D. Encrypt the binaries using an authenticated AES-256 mode of operation.
- E. Inspect the permissions manifests within each application.

Answer: C

#### NEW QUESTION 212

An information security analyst is reviewing backup data sets as part of a project focused on eliminating archival data sets. Which of the following should be considered FIRST prior to disposing of the electronic data?

- A. Sanitization policy
- B. Data sovereignty
- C. Encryption policy
- D. Retention standards

Answer: D

#### NEW QUESTION 216

A user's computer has been running slowly when the user tries to access web pages. A security analyst runs the command netstat -aon from the command line and receives the following output:

LINE	PROTOCOL	LOCAL ADDRESS	FOREIGN ADDRESS	STATE
1	TCP	127.0.0.1:15453	127.0.0.1:16374	ESTABLISHED
2	TCP	127.0.0.1:8193	127.0.0.1:8192	ESTABLISHED
3	TCP	192.168.0.23:443	185.23.17.119:17207	ESTABLISHED
4	TCP	192.168.0.23:13985	172.217.0.14:443	ESTABLISHED
5	TCP	192.168.0.23:6023	185.23.17.120:443	ESTABLISHED
6	TCP	192.168.0.23:7264	10.23.63.217:445	ESTABLISHED

Which of the following lines indicates the computer may be compromised?

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



F. Line 6

**Answer: D****NEW QUESTION 220**

A security technician is testing a solution that will prevent outside entities from spoofing the company's email domain, which is comptia.org. The testing is successful, and the security technician is prepared to fully implement the solution. Which of the following actions should the technician take to accomplish this task?

- A. Add TXT @ "v=spf1 mx include:\_spf.comptia.org all" to the DNS record.
- B. Add TXT @ "v=spf1 mx include:\_spf.comptia.org all" to the email server.
- C. Add TXT @ "v=spf1 mx include:\_spf.comptia.org +all" to the domain controller.
- D. Add TXT @ "v=spf1 mx include:\_spf.comptia.org +all" to the web server.

**Answer: A****NEW QUESTION 221**

A security team is implementing a new vulnerability management program in an environment that has a historically poor security posture. The team is aware of issues patch management in the environment and expects a large number of findings. Which of the following would be the MOST efficient way to increase the security posture of the organization in the shortest amount of time?

- A. Create an SLA stating that remediation actions must occur within 30 days of discovery for all levels of vulnerabilities.
- B. Incorporate prioritization levels into the remediation process and address critical findings first.
- C. Create classification criteria for data residing on different servers and provide remediation only for servers housing sensitive data.
- D. Implement a change control policy that allows the security team to quickly deploy patches in the production environment to reduce the risk of any vulnerabilities found.

**Answer: B****NEW QUESTION 226**

A system's authority to operate (ATO) is set to expire in four days. Because of other activities and limited staffing, the organization has neglected to start reauthentication activities until now. The cybersecurity group just performed a vulnerability scan with the partial set of results shown below:

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```
Scan Host: 192.168.1.13
15-Jan-16 08:12:10.1 EDT
```

```
Vulnerability CVE-2015-1635
HTTP.sys in Microsoft Windows 7 SP1, Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1, Windows 8,
Windows 8.1 and Windows Server 2012 allows remote attackers to execute
arbitrary code via crafted HTTP requests, aka "HTTP.sys remote code execution
vulnerability"
```

```
Severity: 10.0 (high)
```

```
Expected Result: enforceHTTPValidation='enabled';
Current Value: enforceHTTPValidation=enabled;
```

```
Evidence:
```

```
C:\%system%\Windows\config\web.config
```

-----

Based on the scenario and the output from the vulnerability scan, which of the following should the security team do with this finding?

- A. Remediate by going to the web config file, searching for the enforce HTTP validation setting, and manually updating to the correct setting.
- B. Accept this risk for now because this is a "high" severity, but testing will require more than the four days available, and the system ATO needs to be completed.
- C. Ignore it
- D. This is false positive, and the organization needs to focus its efforts on other findings.
- E. Ensure HTTP validation is enabled by rebooting the server.

**Answer: A****NEW QUESTION 227**

A security analyst received a SIEM alert regarding high levels of memory consumption for a critical system. After several attempts to remediate the issue, the system went down. A root cause analysis revealed a bad actor forced the application to not reclaim memory. This caused the system to be depleted of resources. Which of the following BEST describes this attack?

- A. Injection attack
- B. Memory corruption
- C. Denial of service
- D. Array attack

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 232

A large amount of confidential data was leaked during a recent security breach. As part of a forensic investigation, the security team needs to identify the various types of traffic that were captured between two compromised devices.

Which of the following should be used to identify the traffic?

- A. Carving
- B. Disk imaging
- C. Packet analysis
- D. Memory dump
- E. Hashing

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 233

A SIEM solution alerts a security analyst of a high number of login attempts against the company's webmail portal. The analyst determines the login attempts used credentials from a past data breach. Which of the following is the BEST mitigation to prevent unauthorized access?

- A. Single sign-on
- B. Mandatory access control
- C. Multifactor authentication
- D. Federation
- E. Privileged access management

**Answer: E**

#### NEW QUESTION 235

An organization suspects it has had a breach, and it is trying to determine the potential impact. The organization knows the following:

- The source of the breach is linked to an IP located in a foreign country.
- The breach is isolated to the research and development servers.
- The hash values of the data before and after the breach are unchanged.
- The affected servers were regularly patched, and a recent scan showed no vulnerabilities.

Which of the following conclusions can be drawn with respect to the threat and impact? (Choose two.)

- A. The confidentiality of the data is unaffected.
- B. The threat is an APT.
- C. The source IP of the threat has been spoofed.
- D. The integrity of the data is unaffected.
- E. The threat is an insider.

**Answer: BD**

#### NEW QUESTION 240

Which of the following would a security engineer recommend to BEST protect sensitive system data from being accessed on mobile devices?

- A. Use a UEFI boot password.
- B. Implement a self-encrypted disk.
- C. Configure filesystem encryption
- D. Enable Secure Boot using TPM

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 244

A security architect is reviewing the options for performing input validation on incoming web form submissions. Which of the following should the architect as the MOST secure and manageable option?

- A. Client-side whitelisting
- B. Server-side whitelisting
- C. Server-side blacklisting
- D. Client-side blacklisting

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 249

A security analyst is evaluating two vulnerability management tools for possible use in an organization. The analyst set up each of the tools according to the respective vendor's instructions and generated a report of vulnerabilities that ran against the same target server.

Tool A reported the following:

```
The target host (192.168.10.13) is missing the following patches:  
CRITICAL KB50227328: Windows Server 2016 June 2019 Cumulative Update  
CRITICAL KB50255293: Windows Server 2016 July 2019 Cumulative Update  
HIGH MS19-055: Cumulative Security Update for Edge (2863871)
```

Tool B reported the following:

Methods GET HEAD OPTIONS POST TRACE are allowed on 192.168.10.13:80  
192.168.10.13:443 uses a self-signed certificate  
Apache 4.2.x < 4.2.28 Contains Multiple Vulnerabilities

Which of the following BEST describes the method used by each tool? (Choose two.)

- A. Tool A is agent based.
- B. Tool A used fuzzing logic to test vulnerabilities.
- C. Tool A is unauthenticated.
- D. Tool B utilized machine learning technology.
- E. Tool B is agent based.
- F. Tool B is unauthenticated.

**Answer:** CE

#### NEW QUESTION 251

A security analyst implemented a solution that would analyze the attacks that the organization's firewalls failed to prevent. The analyst used the existing systems to enact the solution and executed the following command.

```
S sudo nc -1 -v -c maildemon . py 25 caplog, txt
```

Which of the following solutions did the analyst implement?

- A. Log collector
- B. Crontab mail script
- C. Snikhole
- D. Honeypot

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 254

An organization has several system that require specific logons Over the past few months, the security analyst has noticed numerous failed logon attempts followed by password resets. Which of the following should the analyst do to reduce the occurrence of legitimate failed logons and password resets?

- A. Use SSO across all applications
- B. Perform a manual privilege review
- C. Adjust the current monitoring and logging rules
- D. Implement multifactor authentication

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 258

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