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NEW QUESTION 1

A company discovers a billing anomaly in its AWS account. A security consultant investigates the anomaly and discovers that an employee who left the company 30 days ago still has access to the account.

The company has not monitored account activity in the past.

The security consultant needs to determine which resources have been deployed or reconfigured by the employee as quickly as possible.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. In AWS Cost Explorer, filter chart data to display results from the past 30 day
- B. Export the results to a data tabl
- C. Group the data table by re-source.
- D. Use AWS Cost Anomaly Detection to create a cost monito
- E. Access the detec-tion histor
- F. Set the time frame to Last 30 day
- G. In the search area, choose the service category.
- H. In AWS CloudTrail, filter the event history to display results from the past 30 day
- I. Create an Amazon Athena table that contains the dat
- J. Parti-tion the table by event source.
- K. Use AWS Audit Manager to create an assessment for the past 30 day
- L. Apply a usage-based framework to the assessmen
- M. Configure the assessment to as-sess by resource.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 2

A company deployed IAM Organizations to help manage its increasing number of IAM accounts. A security engineer wants to ensure only principals in the Organization structure can access a specic Amazon S3 bucket. The solution must also minimize operational overhead

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. 1 Put all users into an IAM group with an access policy granting access to the J bucket.
- B. Have the account creation trigger an IAM Lambda function that manages the bucket policy, allowing access to accounts listed in the policy only.
- C. Add an SCP to the Organizations master account, allowing all principals access to the bucket.
- D. Specify the organization ID in the global key condition element of a bucket policy, allowing all principals access.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 3

A company needs to improve its ability to identify and prevent IAM policies that grant public access or cross-account access to resources. The company has implemented AWS Organizations and has started using AWS Identity and Access Management Access Analyzer to refine overly broad access to accounts in the organization.

A security engineer must automate a response in the company's organization for any newly created policies that are overly permissive. The automation must remediate external access and must notify the company's security team.

Which combination of steps should the security engineer take to meet these requirements? (Select THREE.)

- A. Create an AWS Step Functions state machine that checks the resource type in the finding and adds an explicit Deny statement in the trust policy for the IAM rol
- B. Configure the state machine to publish a notification to an Amazon SimpleNotification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.
- C. Create an AWS Batch job that forwards any resource type findings to an AWS Lambda function. Configure the Lambda function to add an explicit Deny statement in the trust policy for the IAM rol
- D. Configure the AWS Batch job to publish a notification to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.
- E. In Amazon EventBridge, create an event rule that matches active IAM Access Analyzer findings and invokes AWS Step Functions for resolution.
- F. In Amazon CloudWatch, create a metric filter that matches active IAM Access Analyzer findings and invokes AWS Batch for resolution.
- G. Create an Amazon Simple Queue Service (Amazon SQS) queu
- H. Configure the queue to forward a notification to the security team that an external principal has been granted access to the specific IAM role and has been blocked.
- I. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic for external or cross-account access notice
- J. Subscribe the security team's email addresses to the topic.

Answer: ACF

Explanation:

The correct answer is A, C, and F.

To automate a response for any newly created policies that are overly permissive, the security engineer needs to use a combination of services that can monitor, analyze, remediate, and notify the security incidents.

Option A is correct because creating an AWS Step Functions state machine that checks the resource type in the finding and adds an explicit Deny statement in the trust policy for the IAM role is a valid way to remediate external access. AWS Step Functions is a service that allows you to coordinate multiple AWS services into serverless workflows. You can use Step Functions to invoke AWS Lambda functions, which can modify the IAM policies programmatically. You can also use Step Functions to publish a notification to an Amazon SNS topic, which can send messages to subscribers such as email addresses.

Option B is incorrect because creating an AWS Batch job that forwards any resource type findings to an AWS Lambda function is not a suitable way to automate a response. AWS Batch is a service that enables you to run batch computing workloads on AWS. Batch is designed for large-scale and long-running jobs that can benefit from parallelization and dynamic provisioning of compute resources. Batch is not intended for event-driven and real-time workflows that require immediate response.

Option C is correct because creating an Amazon EventBridge event rule that matches active IAM Access Analyzer findings and invokes AWS Step Functions for resolution is a valid way to monitor and analyze the security incidents. Amazon EventBridge is a serverless event bus service that allows you to connect your applications with data from various sources. EventBridge can use rules to match events and route them to targets for processing. You can use EventBridge to invoke AWS Step Functions state machines from the IAM Access Analyzer findings.

Option D is incorrect because creating an Amazon CloudWatch metric filter that matches active IAM Access Analyzer findings and invokes AWS Batch for resolution is not a suitable way to monitor and analyze the security incidents. Amazon CloudWatch is a service that provides monitoring and observability for your AWS resources and applications. CloudWatch can collect metrics, logs, and events from various sources and perform actions based on alarms or filters. However, CloudWatch cannot directly invoke AWS Batch jobs from the IAM Access Analyzer findings. You would need to use another service such as EventBridge or SNS to trigger the Batch job.

Option E is incorrect because creating an Amazon SQS queue that forwards a notification to the security team that an external principal has been granted access to the specific IAM role and has been blocked is not a valid way to notify the security incidents. Amazon SQS is a fully managed message queue service that enables you to decouple and scale microservices, distributed systems, and serverless applications. SQS can deliver messages to consumers that poll the queue for messages. However, SQS cannot directly forward a notification to the security team's email addresses. You would need to use another service such as SNS or SES to send email notifications.

Option F is correct because creating an Amazon SNS topic for external or cross-account access notices and subscribing the security team's email addresses to the topic is a valid way to notify the security incidents. Amazon SNS is a fully managed messaging service that enables you to decouple and scale microservices, distributed systems, and serverless applications. SNS can deliver messages to a variety of endpoints, such as email, SMS, or HTTP. You can use SNS to send email notifications to the security team when a critical security finding is detected.

References:

- AWS Step Functions
- AWS Batch
- Amazon EventBridge
- Amazon CloudWatch
- Amazon SQS
- Amazon SNS

NEW QUESTION 4

A company deploys a set of standard IAM roles in AWS accounts. The IAM roles are based on job functions within the company. To balance operational efficiency and security, a security engineer implemented AWS Organizations SCPs to restrict access to critical security services in all company accounts.

All of the company's accounts and OUs within AWS Organizations have a default FullAWSAccess SCP that is attached. The security engineer needs to ensure that no one can disable Amazon GuardDuty and AWS Security Hub. The security engineer also must not override other permissions that are granted by IAM policies that are defined in the accounts.

Which SCP should the security engineer attach to the root of the organization to meet these requirements? A)

```
"Version": "2012-10-17",
"Statement": [
  {
    "Effect": "Deny",
    "Action": [
      "guardduty:DeleteDetector",
      "guardduty:UpdateDetector",
      "securityhub:DisableSecurityHub"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "*"
    ]
  }
]
```

B)

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "*",
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "NotAction": [
        "guardduty:DeleteDetector",
        "guardduty:UpdateDetector",
        "securityhub:DisableSecurityHub"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

C)

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "*",
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "NotAction": [
        "guardduty:DeleteDetector",
        "guardduty:UpdateDetector",
        "securityhub:DisableSecurityHub"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

D)

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "NotAction": [
        "guardduty:DeleteDetector",
        "guardduty:UpdateDetector",
        "securityhub:DisableSecurityHub"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

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

Answer: A**NEW QUESTION 5**

A large corporation is creating a multi-account strategy and needs to determine how its employees should access the IAM infrastructure. Which of the following solutions would provide the MOST scalable solution?

- A. Create dedicated IAM users within each IAM account that employees can assume through federation based upon group membership in their existing identity provider
- B. Use a centralized account with IAM roles that employees can assume through federation with their existing identity provider. Use cross-account roles to allow the federated users to assume their target role in the resource accounts.
- C. Configure the IAM Security Token Service to use Kerberos tokens so that users can use their existing corporate user names and passwords to access IAM resources directly
- D. Configure the IAM trust policies within each account's role to set up a trust back to the corporation's existing identity provider allowing users to assume the role based off their SAML token

Answer: B**Explanation:**

the most scalable solution for accessing the IAM infrastructure in a multi-account strategy. A multi-account strategy is a way of organizing your AWS resources into multiple IAM accounts for security, billing, and management purposes. Federation is a process that allows users to access AWS resources using credentials from an external identity provider such as Active Directory or SAML. IAM roles are sets of permissions that grant access to AWS resources. Cross-account roles are IAM roles that allow users in one account to access resources in another account. By using a centralized account with IAM roles that employees can assume through federation with their existing identity provider, you can simplify and streamline the access management process. By using cross-account roles to allow the federated users to assume their target role in the resource accounts, you can enable granular and flexible access control across multiple accounts. The other options are either less scalable or less secure for accessing the IAM infrastructure in a multi-account strategy.

NEW QUESTION 6

A company is building an application on AWS that will store sensitive information. The company has a support team with access to the IT infrastructure, including databases. The company's security engineer must introduce measures to protect the sensitive data against any data breach while minimizing management overhead. The credentials must be regularly rotated. What should the security engineer recommend?

- A. Enable Amazon RDS encryption to encrypt the database and snapshot
- B. Enable Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) encryption on Amazon EC2 instance
- C. Include the database credential in the EC2 user data field
- D. Use an AWS Lambda function to rotate database credential
- E. Set up TLS for the connection to the database.
- F. Install a database on an Amazon EC2 instance
- G. Enable third-party disk encryption to encrypt Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volume
- H. Store the database credentials in AWS CloudHSM with automatic rotation
- I. Set up TLS for the connection to the database.
- J. Enable Amazon RDS encryption to encrypt the database and snapshot
- K. Enable Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) encryption on Amazon EC2 instance
- L. Store the database credentials in AWS Secrets Manager with automatic rotation
- M. Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database.
- N. Set up an AWS CloudHSM cluster with AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) to store KMS key
- O. Set up Amazon RDS encryption using AWS KMS to encrypt the database
- P. Store the database credentials in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store with automatic rotation
- Q. Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 7

A company hosts business-critical applications on Amazon EC2 instances in a VPC. The VPC uses default DHCP options sets. A security engineer needs to log all DNS queries that internal resources make in the VPC. The security engineer also must create a list of the most common DNS queries over time. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Install the Amazon CloudWatch agent on each EC2 instance in the VPC
- B. Use the CloudWatch agent to stream the DNS query logs to an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log group
- C. Use CloudWatch metric filters to automatically generate metrics that list the most common DNS queries.
- D. Install a BIND DNS server in the VPC
- E. Create a bash script to list the DNS request number of common DNS queries from the BIND logs.
- F. Create VPC flow logs for all subnets in the VPC
- G. Stream the flow logs to an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log group
- H. Use CloudWatch Logs Insights to list the most common DNS queries for the log group in a custom dashboard.
- I. Configure Amazon Route 53 Resolver query logging
- J. Add an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log group as the destination
- K. Use Amazon CloudWatch Contributor Insights to analyze the data and create time series that display the most common DNS queries.

Answer: D

Explanation:

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/aws/log-your-vpc-dns-queries-with-route-53-resolver-query-logs/>

NEW QUESTION 8

A security engineer recently rotated all IAM access keys in an AWS account. The security engineer then configured AWS Config and enabled the following AWS Config managed rules: mfa-enabled-for-iam-console-access, iam-user-mfa-enabled, access-key-rotated, and iam-user-unused-credentials-check. The security engineer notices that all resources are displaying as noncompliant after the IAM GenerateCredentialReport API operation is invoked. What could be the reason for the noncompliant status?

- A. The IAM credential report was generated within the past 4 hours.
- B. The security engineer does not have the GenerateCredentialReport permission.
- C. The security engineer does not have the GetCredentialReport permission.
- D. The AWS Config rules have a MaximumExecutionFrequency value of 24 hours.

Answer: D

Explanation:

The correct answer is D. The AWS Config rules have a MaximumExecutionFrequency value of 24 hours. According to the AWS documentation¹, the MaximumExecutionFrequency parameter specifies the maximum frequency with which AWS Config runs evaluations for a rule. For AWS Config managed rules, this value can be one of the following:

- One_Hour
- Three_Hours
- Six_Hours
- Twelve_Hours
- TwentyFour_Hours

If the rule is triggered by configuration changes, it will still run evaluations when AWS Config delivers the configuration snapshot. However, if the rule is triggered periodically, it will not run evaluations more often than the specified frequency.

In this case, the security engineer enabled four AWS Config managed rules that are triggered periodically. Therefore, these rules will only run evaluations every 24 hours, regardless of when the IAM credential report is generated. This means that the resources will display as noncompliant until the next evaluation cycle, which could take up to 24 hours after the IAM access keys are rotated.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. The IAM credential report can be generated at any time, but it will not affect the compliance status of the resources until the next evaluation cycle of the AWS Config rules.
- B. The security engineer was able to invoke the IAM GenerateCredentialReport API operation, which means they have the GenerateCredentialReport permission. This permission is required to generate a credential report that lists all IAM users in an AWS account and their credential status².
- C. The security engineer does not need the GetCredentialReport permission to enable or evaluate AWS Config rules. This permission is required to retrieve a credential report that was previously generated by using the GenerateCredentialReport operation².

References:

1: AWS::Config::ConfigRule - AWS CloudFormation 2: IAM: Generate and retrieve IAM credential reports

NEW QUESTION 9

A company uses AWS Organizations to manage several AWS accounts. The company processes a large volume of sensitive data. The company uses a serverless approach to microservices. The company stores all the data in either Amazon S3 or Amazon DynamoDB. The company reads the data by using either AWS Lambda functions or container-based services that the company hosts on Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS) on AWS Fargate. The company must implement a solution to encrypt all the data at rest and enforce least privilege data access controls. The company creates an AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) customer managed key. What should the company do next to meet these requirements?

- A. Create a key policy that allows the kms:Decrypt action only for Amazon S3 and DynamoDB
- B. Create an SCP that denies the creation of S3 buckets and DynamoDB tables that are not encrypted with the key.
- C. Create an IAM policy that denies the kms:Decrypt action for the key
- D. Create a Lambda function that runs on a schedule to attach the policy to any new role
- E. Create an AWS Config rule to send alerts for resources that are not encrypted with the key.
- F. Create a key policy that allows the kms:Decrypt action only for Amazon S3, DynamoDB, Lambda, and Amazon EKS
- G. Create an SCP that denies the creation of S3 buckets and DynamoDB tables that are not encrypted with the key.
- H. Create a key policy that allows the kms:Decrypt action only for Amazon S3, DynamoDB, Lambda, and Amazon EKS
- I. Create an AWS Config rule to send alerts for resources that are not encrypted with the key.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 10

A company that uses AWS Organizations wants to see AWS Security Hub findings for many AWS accounts and AWS Regions. Some of the accounts are in the company's organization, and some accounts are in organizations that the company manages for customers. Although the company can see findings in the Security Hub administrator account for accounts in the company's organization, there are no findings from accounts in other organizations. Which combination of steps should the company take to see findings from accounts that are outside the organization that includes the Security Hub administrator account? (Select TWO.)

- A. Use a designated administration account to automatically set up member accounts.
- B. Create the AWS Service Role for Security Hub service-linked role for Security Hub.
- C. Send an administration request from the member accounts.
- D. Enable Security Hub for all member accounts.
- E. Send invitations to accounts that are outside the company's organization from the Security Hub administrator account.

Answer: CE

Explanation:

To see Security Hub findings for accounts that are outside the organization that includes the Security Hub administrator account, the following steps are required:

➤ Send invitations to accounts that are outside the company's organization from the Security Hub administrator account. This will allow the administrator account to view and manage findings from those accounts. The administrator account can send invitations by using the Security Hub console, API, or CLI. For more information, see [Sending invitations to member accounts](#).

➤ Send an administration request from the member accounts. This will allow the member accounts to accept the invitation from the administrator account and establish a relationship with it. The member accounts can send administration requests by using the Security Hub console, API, or CLI. For more information, see [Sending administration requests](#).

This solution will enable the company to see Security Hub findings for many AWS accounts and AWS Regions, including accounts that are outside its own organization.

The other options are incorrect because they either do not establish a relationship between the administrator and member accounts (A, B), do not enable Security Hub for all member accounts (D), or do not use a valid service for Security Hub (F).

Verified References:

➤ <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/securityhub/latest/userguide/securityhub-member-accounts.html>

NEW QUESTION 10

A company created an IAM account for its developers to use for testing and learning purposes. Because the IAM account will be shared among multiple teams of developers, the company wants to restrict the ability to stop and terminate Amazon EC2 instances so that a team can perform these actions only on the instances it owns.

Developers were instructed to tag all their instances with a Team tag key and use the team name in the tag value. One of the first teams to use this account is Business Intelligence. A security engineer needs to develop a highly scalable solution for providing developers with access to the appropriate resources within the account. The security engineer has already created individual IAM roles for each team.

Which additional configuration steps should the security engineer take to complete the task?

- A. For each team, create an IAM policy similar to the one that follows. Populate the ec2: ResourceTag/Team condition key with a proper team name. Attach resulting policies to the corresponding IAM roles.

```

    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "NotAction": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
      },
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*",
        "Condition": {
          "StringEquals": {
            "ec2:ResourceTag/Team": "BusinessIntelligence"
          }
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

- B. For each team create an IAM policy similar to the one that follows Populate the IAM TagKeys/Team condition key with a proper team name
 C. Attach the resulting policies to the corresponding IAM roles.

```

    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "NotAction": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
      },
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*",
        "Condition": {
          "ForAnyValue:StringEquals": {
            "aws:TagKeys/Team": "BusinessIntelligence"
          }
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

- D. Tag each IAM role with a Team tag key
 E. and use the team name in the tag value
 F. Create an IAM policy similar to the one that follows, and attach it to all the IAM roles used by developers.

```

    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "NotAction": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*"
      },
      {
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Action": [
          "ec2:StopInstances",
          "ec2:TerminateInstances"
        ],
        "Resource": "*",
        "Condition": {
          "StringEquals": {
            "ec2:ResourceTag/Team": "${aws:PrincipalTag/Team}"
          }
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

- G. Tag each IAM role with the Team key, and use the team name in the tag value
 H. Create an IAM policy similar to the one that follows, and attach it to all the IAM roles used by developers.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "NotAction": [
        "ec2:StopInstances",
        "ec2:TerminateInstances"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "ec2:StopInstances",
        "ec2:TerminateInstances"
      ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "ForAnyValue:StringEquals": {
          "aws:TagKeys/Team": "2 (aws:PrincipalTag/Team)"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 11

An international company wants to combine AWS Security Hub findings across all the company's AWS Regions and from multiple accounts. In addition, the company wants to create a centralized custom dashboard to correlate these findings with operational data for deeper analysis and insights. The company needs an analytics tool to search and visualize Security Hub findings. Which combination of steps will meet these requirements? (Select THREE.)

- A. Designate an AWS account as a delegated administrator for Security Hub
- B. Publish events to Amazon CloudWatch from the delegated administrator account, all member accounts, and required Regions that are enabled for Security Hub findings.
- C. Designate an AWS account in an organization in AWS Organizations as a delegated administrator for Security Hub
- D. Publish events to Amazon EventBridge from the delegated administrator account, all member accounts, and required Regions that are enabled for Security Hub findings.
- E. In each Region, create an Amazon EventBridge rule to deliver findings to an Amazon Kinesis data stream
- F. Configure the Kinesis data streams to output the logs to a single Amazon S3 bucket.
- G. In each Region, create an Amazon EventBridge rule to deliver findings to an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream
- H. Configure the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams to deliver the logs to a single Amazon S3 bucket.
- I. Use AWS Glue DataBrew to crawl the Amazon S3 bucket and build the schema
- J. Use AWS Glue Data Catalog to query the data and create views to flatten nested attributes
- K. Build Amazon QuickSight dashboards by using Amazon Athena.
- L. Partition the Amazon S3 data
- M. Use AWS Glue to crawl the S3 bucket and build the schema
- N. Use Amazon Athena to query the data and create views to flatten nested attributes
- O. Build Amazon QuickSight dashboards that use the Athena views.

Answer: BDF

Explanation:

The correct answer is B, D, and F. Designate an AWS account in an organization in AWS Organizations as a delegated administrator for Security Hub. Publish events to Amazon EventBridge from the delegated administrator account, all member accounts, and required Regions that are enabled for Security Hub findings. In each Region, create an Amazon EventBridge rule to deliver findings to an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. Configure the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams to deliver the logs to a single Amazon S3 bucket. Partition the Amazon S3 data. Use AWS Glue to crawl the S3 bucket and build the schema. Use Amazon Athena to query the data and create views to flatten nested attributes. Build Amazon QuickSight dashboards that use the Athena views.

According to the AWS documentation, AWS Security Hub is a service that provides you with a comprehensive view of your security state across your AWS accounts, and helps you check your environment against security standards and best practices. You can use Security Hub to aggregate security findings from various sources, such as AWS services, partner products, or your own applications.

To use Security Hub with multiple AWS accounts and Regions, you need to enable AWS Organizations with all features enabled. This allows you to centrally manage your accounts and apply policies across your organization. You can also use Security Hub as a service principal for AWS Organizations, which lets you designate a delegated administrator account for Security Hub. The delegated administrator account can enable Security Hub automatically in all existing and future accounts in your organization, and can view and manage findings from all accounts.

According to the AWS documentation, Amazon EventBridge is a serverless event bus that makes it easy to connect applications using data from your own applications, integrated software as a service (SaaS) applications, and AWS services. You can use EventBridge to create rules that match events from various sources and route them to targets for processing.

To use EventBridge with Security Hub findings, you need to enable Security Hub as an event source in EventBridge. This will allow you to publish events from Security Hub to EventBridge in the same Region. You can then create EventBridge rules that match Security Hub findings based on criteria such as severity, type, or resource. You can also specify targets for your rules, such as Lambda functions, SNS topics, or Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams.

According to the AWS documentation, Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose is a fully managed service that delivers real-time streaming data to destinations such as Amazon S3, Amazon Redshift, Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES), and Splunk. You can use Kinesis Data Firehose to transform and enrich your data before delivering it to your destination.

To use Kinesis Data Firehose with Security Hub findings, you need to create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream in each Region where you have enabled Security Hub. You can then configure the delivery stream to receive events from EventBridge as a source, and deliver the logs to a single S3 bucket as a destination. You can also enable data transformation or compression on the delivery stream if needed.

According to the AWS documentation, Amazon S3 is an object storage service that offers scalability, data availability, security, and performance. You can use S3 to store and retrieve any amount of data from anywhere on the web. You can also use S3 features such as lifecycle management, encryption, versioning, and replication to optimize your storage.

To use S3 with Security Hub findings, you need to create an S3 bucket that will store the logs from Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams. You can then partition the data in the bucket by using prefixes such as account ID or Region. This will improve the performance and cost-effectiveness of querying the data.

According to the AWS documentation, AWS Glue is a fully managed extract, transform, and load (ETL) service that makes it easy to prepare and load your data for analytics. You can use Glue to crawl your data sources, identify data formats, and suggest schemas and transformations. You can also use Glue Data Catalog as a central metadata repository for your data assets.

To use Glue with Security Hub findings, you need to create a Glue crawler that will crawl the S3 bucket and build the schema for the data. The crawler will create tables in the Glue Data Catalog that you can query using standard SQL.

According to the AWS documentation, Amazon Athena is an interactive query service that makes it easy to analyze data in Amazon S3 using standard SQL. Athena is serverless, so there is no infrastructure to manage, and you pay only for the queries that you run. You can use Athena with Glue Data Catalog as a metadata store for your tables.

To use Athena with Security Hub findings, you need to create views in Athena that will flatten nested attributes in the data. For example, you can create views that extract fields such as account ID, Region, resource type, resource ID, finding type, finding title, and finding description from the JSON data. You can then query the views using SQL and join them with other tables if needed.

According to the AWS documentation, Amazon QuickSight is a fast, cloud-powered business intelligence service that makes it easy to deliver insights to everyone in your organization. You can use QuickSight to create and publish interactive dashboards that include machine learning insights. You can also use QuickSight to connect to various data sources, such as Athena, S3, or RDS.

To use QuickSight with Security Hub findings, you need to create QuickSight dashboards that use the Athena views as data sources. You can then visualize and analyze the findings using charts, graphs, maps, or tables. You can also apply filters, calculations, or aggregations to the data. You can then share the dashboards with your users or embed them in your applications.

NEW QUESTION 16

A security engineer is troubleshooting an AWS Lambda function that is named MyLambdaFunction. The function is encountering an error when the function attempts to read the objects in an Amazon S3 bucket that is named DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET. The S3 bucket has the following bucket policy:

```
{
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "Service": "lambda.amazonaws.com"
  },
  "Action": "s3:GetObject",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET",
  "Condition": {
    "ArnLike": {
      "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:lambda:::function:MyLambdaFunction"
    }
  }
}
```

Which change should the security engineer make to the policy to ensure that the Lambda function can read the bucket objects?

- A. Remove the Condition element
- B. Change the Principal element to the following: {"AWS": "arn:aws:::lambda:::function:MyLambdaFunction"}
- C. Change the Action element to the following: "s3:GetObject*" "s3:GetBucket*" "s3:ListBucket"
- D. Change the Resource element to "arn:aws:s3:::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*".
- E. Change the Resource element to "arn:aws:lambda:::function:MyLambdaFunction". Change the Principal element to the following: {"Service": "s3.amazonaws.com"}

Answer: C

Explanation:

The correct answer is C. Change the Resource element to "arn:aws:s3:::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*".

The reason is that the Resource element in the bucket policy specifies which objects in the bucket are affected by the policy. In this case, the policy only applies to the bucket itself, not the objects inside it. Therefore, the Lambda function cannot access the objects with the s3:GetObject permission. To fix this, the Resource element should include a wildcard (*) to match all objects in the bucket. This way, the policy grants the Lambda function permission to read any object in the bucket.

The other options are incorrect for the following reasons:

- > A. Removing the Condition element would not help, because it only restricts access based on the source IP address of the request. The Principal element should not be changed to the Lambda function ARN, because it specifies who is allowed or denied access by the policy. The policy should allow access to any principal ("*") and rely on IAM roles or policies to control access to the Lambda function.
- > B. Changing the Action element to include s3:GetBucket* would not help, because it would grant additional permissions that are not needed by the Lambda function, such as s3:GetBucketAcl or s3:GetBucketPolicy. The s3:GetObject* permission is sufficient for reading objects in the bucket.
- > D. Changing the Resource element to the Lambda function ARN would not make sense, because it would mean that the policy applies to the Lambda function itself, not the bucket or its objects. The Principal element should not be changed to s3.amazonaws.com, because it would grant access to any AWS service that uses S3, not just Lambda.

NEW QUESTION 17

A company uses Amazon GuardDuty. The company's security team wants all High severity findings to automatically generate a ticket in a third-party ticketing system through email integration.

Which solution will meet this requirement?

- A. Create a verified identity for the third-party ticketing email system in Amazon Simple Email Service (Amazon SES). Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that includes an event pattern that matches High severity GuardDuty finding
- B. Specify the SES identity as the target for the EventBridge rule.
- C. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic
- D. Subscribe the third-party ticketing email system to the SNS topic
- E. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that includes an event pattern that matches High severity GuardDuty finding
- F. Specify the SNS topic as the target for the EventBridge rule.
- G. Use the GuardDuty CreateFilter API operation to build a filter in GuardDuty to monitor for High severity finding
- H. Export the results of the filter to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic
- I. Subscribe the third-party ticketing email system to the SNS topic.
- J. Use the GuardDuty CreateFilter API operation to build a filter in GuardDuty to monitor for High severity finding
- K. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic
- L. Subscribe the third-party ticketing email system to the SNS topic
- M. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that includes an event pattern that matches GuardDuty findings that are selected by the filter
- N. Specify the SNS topic as the target for the EventBridge rule.

Answer: B

Explanation:

The correct answer is B. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic. Subscribe the third-party ticketing email system to the SNS topic. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that includes an event pattern that matches High severity GuardDuty findings. Specify the SNS topic as the target for the EventBridge rule.

According to the AWS documentation¹, you can use Amazon EventBridge to create rules that match events from GuardDuty and route them to targets such as Amazon SNS topics. You can use event patterns to filter events based on criteria such as severity, type, or resource. For example, you can create a rule that matches only High severity findings and sends them to an SNS topic that is subscribed by a third-party ticketing email system. This way, you can automate the creation of tickets for High severity findings and notify the security team.

NEW QUESTION 19

A company wants to remove all SSH keys permanently from a specific subset of its Amazon Linux 2 Amazon EC2 instances that are using the same 1AM instance profile. However, three individuals who have IAM user accounts will need to access these instances by using an SSH session to perform critical duties. How can a security engineer provide the access to meet these requirements'?

- A. Assign an 1AM policy to the instance profile to allow the EC2 instances to be managed by AWS Systems Manager. Provide the 1AM user accounts with permission to use Systems Manager. Remove the SSH keys from the EC2 instances. Use Systems Manager Inventory to select the EC2 instance and connect.
- B. Assign an 1AM policy to the 1AM user accounts to provide permission to use AWS Systems Manager. Run Command. Remove the SSH keys from the EC2 instances. Use Run Command to open an SSH connection to the EC2 instance.
- C. Assign an 1AM policy to the instance profile to allow the EC2 instances to be managed by AWS Systems Manager. Provide the 1AM user accounts with permission to use Systems Manager. Remove the SSH keys from the EC2 instances. Use Systems Manager Session Manager to select the EC2 instance and connect.
- D. Assign an 1AM policy to the 1AM user accounts to provide permission to use the EC2 service in the AWS Management Console. Remove the SSH keys from the EC2 instances. Connect to the EC2 instance as the ec2-user through the AWS Management Console's EC2 SSH client method.

Answer: C

Explanation:

To provide access to the three individuals who have IAM user accounts to access the Amazon Linux 2 Amazon EC2 instances that are using the same IAM instance profile, the most appropriate solution would be to assign an IAM policy to the instance profile to allow the EC2 instances to be managed by AWS Systems Manager, provide the IAM user accounts with permission to use Systems Manager, remove the SSH keys from the EC2 instances, and use Systems Manager Session Manager to select the EC2 instance and connect.

References: : AWS Systems Manager Session Manager - AWS Systems Manager : AWS Systems Manager AWS Management Console : AWS Identity and Access Management - AWS Management Console : Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud - Amazon Web Services : Amazon Linux 2 - Amazon Web Services : AWS Systems Manager - AWS Management Console : AWS Systems Manager - AWS Management Console : AWS Systems Manager - AWS Management Console

NEW QUESTION 22

A company is planning to use Amazon Elastic File System (Amazon EFS) with its on-premises servers. The company has an existing IAM Direct Connect connection established between its on-premises data center and an IAM Region. Security policy states that the company's on-premises firewall should only have specific IP addresses added to the allow list and not a CIDR range. The company also wants to restrict access so that only certain data center-based servers have access to Amazon EFS.

How should a security engineer implement this solution''

- A. Add the file-system-id efs IAM-region amazonIAM.com URL to the allow list for the data center firewall. Install the IAM CLI on the data center-based servers to mount the EFS file system. In the EFS security group, add the data center IP range to the allow list. Mount the EFS using the EFS file system name.
- B. Assign an Elastic IP address to Amazon EFS and add the Elastic IP address to the allow list for the data center firewall. Install the IAM CLI on the data center-based servers to mount the EFS file system. In the EFS security group, add the IP addresses of the data center servers to the allow list. Mount the EFS using the Elastic IP address.
- C. Add the EFS file system mount target IP addresses to the allow list for the data center firewall. In the EFS security group, add the data center server IP addresses to the allow list. Use the Linux terminal to mount the EFS file system using the IP address of one of the mount targets.
- D. Assign a static range of IP addresses for the EFS file system by contacting IAM Support. In the EFS security group, add the data center server IP addresses to the allow list. Use the Linux terminal to mount the EFS file system using one of the static IP addresses.

Answer: B

Explanation:

To implement the solution, the security engineer should do the following:

- Assign an Elastic IP address to Amazon EFS and add the Elastic IP address to the allow list for the data center firewall. This allows the security engineer to use a specific IP address for the EFS file system that can be added to the firewall rules, instead of a CIDR range or a URL.
- Install the AWS CLI on the data center-based servers to mount the EFS file system. This allows the security engineer to use the mount helper provided by AWS CLI to mount the EFS file system with encryption in transit.
- In the EFS security group, add the IP addresses of the data center servers to the allow list. This allows the security engineer to restrict access to the EFS file system to only certain data center-based servers.
- Mount the EFS using the Elastic IP address. This allows the security engineer to use the Elastic IP address as the DNS name for mounting the EFS file system.

NEW QUESTION 27

A company has recently recovered from a security incident that required the restoration of Amazon EC2 instances from snapshots.

After performing a gap analysis of its disaster recovery procedures and backup strategies, the company is concerned that, next time, it will not be able to recover the EC2 instances if the AWS account was compromised and Amazon EBS snapshots were deleted.

All EBS snapshots are encrypted using an AWS KMS CMK. Which solution would solve this problem?

- A. Create a new Amazon S3 bucket.
- B. Use EBS lifecycle policies to move EBS snapshots to the new S3 bucket.
- C. Move snapshots to Amazon S3 Glacier using lifecycle policies, and apply Glacier Vault Lock policies to prevent deletion.
- D. Use AWS Systems Manager to distribute a configuration that performs local backups of all attached disks to Amazon S3.
- E. Create a new AWS account with limited privilege.

- F. Allow the new account to access the AWS KMS key used to encrypt the EBS snapshots, and copy the encrypted snapshots to the new account on a recurring basis.
- G. Use AWS Backup to copy EBS snapshots to Amazon S3.

Answer: C

Explanation:

This answer is correct because creating a new AWS account with limited privileges would provide an isolated and secure backup destination for the EBS snapshots. Allowing the new account to access the AWS KMS key used to encrypt the EBS snapshots would enable cross-account snapshot sharing without requiring re-encryption. Copying the encrypted snapshots to the new account on a recurring basis would ensure that the backups are up-to-date and consistent.

NEW QUESTION 30

Your CTO thinks your IAM account was hacked. What is the only way to know for certain if there was unauthorized access and what they did, assuming your hackers are very sophisticated IAM engineers and doing everything they can to cover their tracks?
Please select:

- A. Use CloudTrail Log File Integrity Validation.
- B. Use IAM Config SNS Subscriptions and process events in real time.
- C. Use CloudTrail backed up to IAM S3 and Glacier.
- D. Use IAM Config Timeline forensics.

Answer: A

Explanation:

The IAM Documentation mentions the following

To determine whether a log file was modified, deleted, or unchanged after CloudTrail delivered it you can use CloudTrail log file integrity validation. This feature is built using industry standard algorithms: SHA-256 for hashing and SHA-256 with RSA for digital signing. This makes it computationally infeasible to modify, delete or forge CloudTrail log files without detection. You can use the IAM CLI to validate the files in the location where CloudTrail delivered them

Validated log files are invaluable in security and forensic investigations. For example, a validated log file enables you to assert positively that the log file itself has not changed, or that particular user credentials performed specific API activity. The CloudTrail log file integrity validation process also lets you know if a log file has been deleted or changed, or assert positively that no log files were delivered to your account during a given period of time.

Options B.C and D is invalid because you need to check for log File Integrity Validation for cloudtrail logs For more information on Cloudtrail log file validation, please visit the below URL: <http://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAMcloudtrail/latest/userguide/cloudtrail-log-file-validation-intro.html>

The correct answer is: Use CloudTrail Log File Integrity Validation. omit your Feedback/Queries to our Expert

NEW QUESTION 32

A company has multiple departments. Each department has its own IAM account. All these accounts belong to the same organization in IAM Organizations.

A large .csv file is stored in an Amazon S3 bucket in the sales department's IAM account. The company wants to allow users from the other accounts to access the .csv file's content through the combination of IAM Glue and Amazon Athena. However, the company does not want to allow users from the other accounts to access other files in the same folder.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Apply a user policy in the other accounts to allow IAM Glue and Athena to access the .csv file.
- B. Use S3 Select to restrict access to the .csv file.
- C. In IAM Glue Data Catalog, use S3 Select as the source of the IAM Glue database.
- D. Define an IAM Glue Data Catalog resource policy in IAM Glue to grant cross-account S3 object access to the .csv file.
- E. Grant IAM Glue access to Amazon S3 in a resource-based policy that specifies the organization as the principal.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 34

A company uses AWS Organizations and has production workloads across multiple AWS accounts. A security engineer needs to design a solution that will proactively monitor for suspicious behavior across all the accounts that contain production workloads.

The solution must automate remediation of incidents across the production accounts. The solution also must publish a notification to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic when a critical security finding is detected. In addition, the solution must send all security incident logs to a dedicated account.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Activate Amazon GuardDuty in each production account
- B. In a dedicated logging account
- C. aggregate all GuardDuty logs from each production account
- D. Remediate incidents by configuring GuardDuty to directly invoke an AWS Lambda function
- E. Configure the Lambda function to also publish notifications to the SNS topic.
- F. Activate AWS security Hub in each production account
- G. In a dedicated logging account
- H. aggregate all security Hub findings from each production account
- I. Remediate incidents by using AWS Config and AWS Systems Manager
- J. Configure Systems Manager to also publish notifications to the SNS topic.
- K. Activate Amazon GuardDuty in each production account
- L. In a dedicated logging account
- M. aggregate all GuardDuty logs from each production account Remediate incidents by using Amazon EventBridge to invoke a custom AWS Lambda function from the GuardDuty finding
- N. Configure the Lambda function to also publish notifications to the SNS topic.
- O. Activate AWS Security Hub in each production account
- P. In a dedicated logging account
- Q. aggregate all Security Hub findings from each production account
- R. Remediate incidents by using Amazon EventBridge to invoke a custom AWS Lambda function from the Security Hub finding
- S. Configure the Lambda function to also publish notifications to the SNS topic.

Answer: D

Explanation:

The correct answer is D.

To design a solution that will proactively monitor for suspicious behavior across all the accounts that contain production workloads, the security engineer needs to use a service that can aggregate and analyze security findings from multiple sources. AWS Security Hub is a service that provides a comprehensive view of your security posture across your AWS accounts and enables you to check your environment against security standards and best practices. Security Hub also integrates with other AWS services, such as Amazon GuardDuty, AWS Config, and AWS Systems Manager, to collect and correlate security findings.

To automate remediation of incidents across the production accounts, the security engineer needs to use a service that can trigger actions based on events.

Amazon EventBridge is a serverless event bus service that allows you to connect your applications with data from a variety of sources. EventBridge can use rules to match events and route them to targets for processing. You can use EventBridge to invoke a custom AWS Lambda function from the Security Hub findings.

Lambda is a serverless compute service that lets you run code without provisioning or managing servers.

To publish a notification to an Amazon SNS topic when a critical security finding is detected, the security engineer needs to use a service that can send messages to subscribers. Amazon SNS is a fully managed messaging service that enables you to decouple and scale microservices, distributed systems, and serverless applications. SNS can deliver messages to a variety of endpoints, such as email, SMS, or HTTP. You can configure the Lambda function to also publish notifications to the SNS topic.

To send all security incident logs to a dedicated account, the security engineer needs to use a service that can aggregate and store log data from multiple sources. AWS Security Hub allows you to aggregate security findings from multiple accounts into a single account using the delegated administrator feature. This feature enables you to designate an AWS account as the administrator for Security Hub in an organization. The administrator account can then view and manage Security Hub findings from all member accounts.

Therefore, option D is correct because it meets all the requirements of the solution. Option A is incorrect because GuardDuty does not provide a comprehensive view of your security posture across your AWS accounts. GuardDuty is primarily a threat detection service that monitors for malicious or unauthorized behavior. Option B is incorrect because Config and Systems Manager are not designed to automate remediation of incidents based on Security Hub findings. Config is a service that enables you to assess, audit, and evaluate the configurations of your AWS resources, while Systems Manager is a service that allows you to manage your infrastructure on AWS at scale. Option C is incorrect because GuardDuty does not provide a comprehensive view of your security posture across your AWS accounts.

References:

- AWS Security Hub
- Amazon EventBridge
- AWS Lambda
- Amazon SNS
- Aggregating Security Hub findings across accounts

NEW QUESTION 38

A company uses an external identity provider to allow federation into different IAM accounts. A security engineer for the company needs to identify the federated user that terminated a production Amazon EC2 instance a week ago.

What is the FASTEST way for the security engineer to identify the federated user?

- A. Review the IAM CloudTrail event history logs in an Amazon S3 bucket and look for the TerminateInstances event to identify the federated user from the role session name.
- B. Filter the IAM CloudTrail event history for the TerminateInstances event and identify the assumed IAM role.
- C. Review the AssumeRoleWithSAML event call in CloudTrail to identify the corresponding username.
- D. Search the IAM CloudTrail logs for the TerminateInstances event and note the event time.
- E. Review the IAM Access Advisor tab for all federated roles.
- F. The last accessed time should match the time when the instance was terminated.
- G. Use Amazon Athena to run a SQL query on the IAM CloudTrail logs stored in an Amazon S3 bucket and filter on the TerminateInstances event.
- H. Identify the corresponding role and run another query to filter the AssumeRoleWithWebIdentity event for the user name.

Answer: B

Explanation:

The fastest way to identify the federated user who terminated a production Amazon EC2 instance is to filter the IAM CloudTrail event history for the TerminateInstances event and identify the assumed IAM role. Then, review the AssumeRoleWithSAML event call in CloudTrail to identify the corresponding username. This method does not require any additional tools or queries, and it directly links the IAM role with the federated user.

Option A is incorrect because the role session name may not be the same as the federated user name, and it may not be unique or descriptive enough to identify the user.

Option C is incorrect because the IAM Access Advisor tab only shows when a role was last accessed, not by whom or for what purpose. It also does not show the specific time of access, only the date.

Option D is incorrect because using Amazon Athena to run SQL queries on the IAM CloudTrail logs is not the fastest way to identify the federated user, as it requires creating a table schema and running multiple queries. It also assumes that the federation is done using web identity providers, not SAML providers, as indicated by the AssumeRoleWithWebIdentity event.

References:

- AWS Identity and Access Management
- Logging AWS STS API Calls with AWS CloudTrail
- [Using Amazon Athena to Query S3 Data for CloudTrail Analysis]

NEW QUESTION 43

A security engineer is checking an AWS CloudFormation template for vulnerabilities. The security engineer finds a parameter that has a default value that exposes an application's API key in plaintext. The parameter is referenced several times throughout the template. The security engineer must replace the parameter while maintaining the ability to reference the value in the template. Which solution will meet these requirements in the MOST secure way?

```
{resolve:s3:MyBucketName:MyObjectName}}.
```

- A. Store the API key value as a SecureString parameter in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store.
- B. In the template, replace all references to the value with `{{resolve:ssm:MySSMParameterName:1}}`.
- C. Store the API key value in AWS Secrets Manager.
- D. In the template, replace all references to the value with `{ {resolve:secretsmanager:MySecretId:SecretString}}`.
- E. Store the API key value in Amazon DynamoDB.
- F. In the template, replace all references to the value with `{{resolve:dynamodb:MyTableName:MyPrimaryKey}}`.
- G. Store the API key value in a new Amazon S3 bucket.
- H. In the template, replace all references to the value with `{`

Answer: B

Explanation:

The correct answer is B. Store the API key value in AWS Secrets Manager. In the template, replace all references to the value with `{{resolve:secretsmanager:MySecretId:SecretString}}`.

This answer is correct because AWS Secrets Manager is a service that helps you protect secrets that are needed to access your applications, services, and IT resources. You can store and manage secrets such as database credentials, API keys, and other sensitive data in Secrets Manager. You can also use Secrets Manager to rotate, manage, and retrieve your secrets throughout their lifecycle¹. Secrets Manager integrates with AWS CloudFormation, which allows you to reference secrets from your templates using the `{{resolve:secretsmanager:...}}` syntax². This way, you can avoid exposing your secrets in plaintext and still use them in your resources.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. Storing the API key value as a SecureString parameter in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store is not a solution, because AWS CloudFormation does not support references to SecureString parameters. This means that you cannot use the `{{resolve:ssm:...}}` syntax to retrieve encrypted parameter values from Parameter Store³. You would have to use a custom resource or a Lambda function to decrypt the parameter value, which adds complexity and overhead to your template.
- C. Storing the API key value in Amazon DynamoDB is not a solution, because AWS CloudFormation does not support references to DynamoDB items. This means that you cannot use the `{{resolve:dynamodb:...}}` syntax to retrieve item values from DynamoDB tables⁴. You would have to use a custom resource or a Lambda function to query the DynamoDB table, which adds complexity and overhead to your template.
- D. Storing the API key value in a new Amazon S3 bucket is not a solution, because AWS CloudFormation does not support references to S3 objects. This means that you cannot use the `{{resolve:s3:...}}` syntax to retrieve object values from S3 buckets⁵. You would have to use a custom resource or a Lambda function to download the object from S3, which adds complexity and overhead to your template.

References:

1: What is AWS Secrets Manager? 2: Referencing AWS Secrets Manager secrets from Parameter Store parameters 3: Using dynamic references to specify template values 4: Amazon DynamoDB 5: Amazon Simple Storage Service (S3)

NEW QUESTION 46

A security engineer must use AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) to design a key management solution for a set of Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volumes that contain sensitive data. The solution needs to ensure that the key material automatically expires in 90 days.

Which solution meets these criteria?

- A. A customer managed CMK that uses customer provided key material
- B. A customer managed CMK that uses AWS provided key material
- C. An AWS managed CMK
- D. Operation system-native encryption that uses GnuPG

Answer: A

Explanation:

```
https://awscli.amazonaws.com/v2/documentation/api/latest/reference/kms/import-key-material.html aws kms import-key-material \
--key-id 1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-1234567890ab \
--encrypted-key-material fileb://EncryptedKeyMaterial.bin \
--import-token fileb://ImportToken.bin \
--expiration-model KEY_MATERIAL_EXPIRES \
--valid-to 2021-09-21T19:00:00Z
```

The correct answer is A. A customer managed CMK that uses customer provided key material.

A customer managed CMK is a KMS key that you create, own, and manage in your AWS account. You have full control over the key configuration, permissions, rotation, and deletion. You can use a customer managed CMK to encrypt and decrypt data in AWS services that are integrated with AWS KMS, such as Amazon EBS¹.

A customer managed CMK can use either AWS provided key material or customer provided key material. AWS provided key material is generated by AWS KMS and never leaves the service unencrypted. Customer provided key material is generated outside of AWS KMS and imported into a customer managed CMK. You can specify an expiration date for the imported key material, after which the CMK becomes unusable until you reimport new key material².

To meet the criteria of automatically expiring the key material in 90 days, you need to use customer provided key material and set the expiration date accordingly. This way, you can ensure that the data encrypted with the CMK will not be accessible after 90 days unless you reimport new key material and re-encrypt the data. The other options are incorrect for the following reasons:

- * B. A customer managed CMK that uses AWS provided key material does not expire automatically. You can enable automatic rotation of the key material every year, but this does not prevent access to the data encrypted with the previous key material. You would need to manually delete the CMK and its backing key material to make the data inaccessible³.
- * C. An AWS managed CMK is a KMS key that is created, owned, and managed by an AWS service on your behalf. You have limited control over the key configuration, permissions, rotation, and deletion. You cannot use an AWS managed CMK to encrypt data in other AWS services or applications. You also cannot set an expiration date for the key material of an AWS managed CMK⁴.
- * D. Operation system-native encryption that uses GnuPG is not a solution that uses AWS KMS. GnuPG is a command line tool that implements the OpenPGP standard for encrypting and signing data. It does not integrate with Amazon EBS or other AWS services. It also does not provide a way to automatically expire the key material used for encryption⁵.

References:

1: Customer Managed Keys - AWS Key Management Service 2: [Importing Key Material in AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) - AWS Key Management Service] 3: [Rotating Customer Master Keys - AWS Key Management Service] 4: [AWS Managed Keys - AWS Key Management Service] 5: The GNU Privacy Guard

NEW QUESTION 49

A company purchased a subscription to a third-party cloud security scanning solution that integrates with AWS Security Hub. A security engineer needs to implement a solution that will remediate the findings from the third-party scanning solution automatically. Which solution will meet this requirement?

- A. Set up an Amazon EventBridge rule that reacts to new Security Hub find-ing
- B. Configure an AWS Lambda function as the target for the rule to reme-diate the findings.
- C. Set up a custom action in Security Hu
- D. Configure the custom action to call AWS Systems Manager Automation runbooks to remediate the findings.

- E. Set up a custom action in Security Hub
- F. Configure an AWS Lambda function as the target for the custom action to remediate the findings.
- G. Set up AWS Config rules to use AWS Systems Manager Automation runbooks to remediate the findings.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 54

A Systems Engineer is troubleshooting the connectivity of a test environment that includes a virtual security appliance deployed inline. In addition to using the virtual security appliance, the Development team wants to use security groups and network ACLs to accomplish various security requirements in the environment. What configuration is necessary to allow the virtual security appliance to route the traffic?

- A. Disable network ACLs.
- B. Configure the security appliance's elastic network interface for promiscuous mode.
- C. Disable the Network Source/Destination check on the security appliance's elastic network interface
- D. Place the security appliance in the public subnet with the internet gateway

Answer: C

Explanation:

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/using-eni.html#eni-basics> Source/destination checking "You must disable source/destination checks if the instance runs services such as network address translation, routing, or firewalls."

The correct answer is C. Disable the Network Source/Destination check on the security appliance's elastic network interface.

This answer is correct because disabling the Network Source/Destination check allows the virtual security appliance to route traffic that is not addressed to or from itself. By default, this check is enabled on all EC2 instances, and it prevents them from forwarding traffic that does not match their own IP or MAC addresses. However, for a virtual security appliance that acts as a router or a firewall, this check needs to be disabled, otherwise it will drop the traffic that it is supposed to route¹².

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. Disabling network ACLs is not a solution, because network ACLs are optional layers of security for the subnets in a VPC. They can be used to allow or deny traffic based on IP addresses and ports, but they do not affect the routing behavior of the virtual security appliance³.
- B. Configuring the security appliance's elastic network interface for promiscuous mode is not a solution, because promiscuous mode is a mode for a network interface that causes it to pass all traffic it receives to the CPU, rather than passing only the frames that it is programmed to receive. Promiscuous mode is normally used for packet sniffing or monitoring, but it does not enable the network interface to route traffic⁴.
- D. Placing the security appliance in the public subnet with the internet gateway is not a solution, because it does not address the routing issue of the virtual security appliance. The security appliance can be placed in either a public or a private subnet, depending on the network design and security requirements, but it still needs to have the Network Source/Destination check disabled to route traffic properly⁵.

References:

1: Enabling or disabling source/destination checks - Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud 2: Virtual security appliance - Wikipedia 3: Network ACLs - Amazon Virtual Private Cloud 4: Promiscuous mode - Wikipedia 5: NAT instances - Amazon Virtual Private Cloud

NEW QUESTION 58

A company's security engineer is developing an incident response plan to detect suspicious activity in an AWS account for VPC hosted resources. The security engineer needs to provide visibility for as many AWS Regions as possible.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements MOST cost-effectively? (Select TWO.)

- A. Turn on VPC Flow Logs for all VPCs in the account.
- B. Activate Amazon GuardDuty across all AWS Regions.
- C. Activate Amazon Detective across all AWS Regions.
- D. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic
- E. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that responds to findings and publishes the findings to the SNS topic.
- F. Create an AWS Lambda function
- G. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that invokes the Lambda function to publish findings to Amazon Simple Email Service (Amazon SES).

Answer: BD

Explanation:

To detect suspicious activity in an AWS account for VPC hosted resources, the security engineer needs to use a service that can monitor network traffic and API calls across all AWS Regions. Amazon GuardDuty is a threat detection service that can do this by analyzing VPC Flow Logs, AWS CloudTrail event logs, and DNS logs. By activating GuardDuty across all AWS Regions, the security engineer can provide visibility for as many regions as possible. GuardDuty generates findings that contain details about the potential threats detected in the account. To respond to these findings, the security engineer needs to create a mechanism that can notify the relevant stakeholders or take remedial actions. One way to do this is to use Amazon EventBridge, which is a serverless event bus service that can connect AWS services and third-party applications. By creating an EventBridge rule that responds to GuardDuty findings and publishes them to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic, the security engineer can enable subscribers of the topic to receive notifications via email, SMS, or other methods. This is a cost-effective solution that does not require any additional infrastructure or code.

NEW QUESTION 62

What are the MOST secure ways to protect the AWS account root user of a recently opened AWS account? (Select TWO.)

- A. Use the AWS account root user access keys instead of the AWS Management Console.
- B. Enable multi-factor authentication for the AWS IAM users with the AdministratorAccess managed policy attached to them.
- C. Enable multi-factor authentication for the AWS account root user.
- D. Use AWS KMS to encrypt all AWS account root user and AWS IAM access keys and set automatic rotation to 30 days.
- E. Do not create access keys for the AWS account root user; instead, create AWS IAM users.

Answer: CE

NEW QUESTION 65

The Security Engineer is managing a traditional three-tier web application that is running on Amazon EC2 instances. The application has become the target of increasing numbers of malicious attacks from the Internet.

What steps should the Security Engineer take to check for known vulnerabilities and limit the attack surface? (Choose two.)

- A. Use AWS Certificate Manager to encrypt all traffic between the client and application servers.
- B. Review the application security groups to ensure that only the necessary ports are open.
- C. Use Elastic Load Balancing to offload Secure Sockets Layer encryption.
- D. Use Amazon Inspector to periodically scan the backend instances.
- E. Use AWS Key Management Services to encrypt all the traffic between the client and application servers.

Answer: BD

Explanation:

The steps that the Security Engineer should take to check for known vulnerabilities and limit the attack surface are:

- B. Review the application security groups to ensure that only the necessary ports are open. This is a good practice to reduce the exposure of the EC2 instances to potential attacks from the Internet. Application security groups are a feature of Azure that allow you to group virtual machines and define network security policies based on those groups¹.
- D. Use Amazon Inspector to periodically scan the backend instances. This is a service that helps you to identify vulnerabilities and exposures in your EC2 instances and applications. Amazon Inspector can perform automated security assessments based on predefined or custom rules packages².

NEW QUESTION 67

A company needs to follow security best practices to deploy resources from an AWS CloudFormation template. The CloudFormation template must be able to configure sensitive database credentials.

The company already uses AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) and AWS Secrets Manager. Which solution will meet the requirements?

- A. Use a dynamic reference in the CloudFormation template to reference the database credentials in Secrets Manager.
- B. Use a parameter in the CloudFormation template to reference the database credential
- C. Encrypt the CloudFormation template by using AWS KMS.
- D. Use a SecureString parameter in the CloudFormation template to reference the database credentials in Secrets Manager.
- E. Use a SecureString parameter in the CloudFormation template to reference an encrypted value in AWS KMS

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Option A: This option meets the requirements of following security best practices and configuring sensitive database credentials in the CloudFormation template. A dynamic reference is a way to specify external values that are stored and managed in other services, such as Secrets Manager, in the stack templates¹. When using a dynamic reference, CloudFormation retrieves the value of the specified reference when necessary during stack and change set operations¹. Dynamic references can be used for certain resources that support them, such as AWS::RDS::DBInstance¹. By using a dynamic reference to reference the database credentials in Secrets Manager, the company can leverage the existing integration between these services and avoid hardcoding the secret information in the template. Secrets Manager is a service that helps you protect secrets needed to access your applications, services, and IT resources². Secrets Manager enables you to rotate, manage, and retrieve database credentials, API keys, and other secrets throughout their lifecycle².

NEW QUESTION 71

During a manual review of system logs from an Amazon Linux EC2 instance, a Security Engineer noticed that there are sudo commands that were never properly alerted or reported on the Amazon CloudWatch Logs agent

Why were there no alerts on the sudo commands?

- A. There is a security group blocking outbound port 80 traffic that is preventing the agent from sending the logs
- B. The IAM instance profile on the EC2 instance was not properly configured to allow the CloudWatchLogs agent to push the logs to CloudWatch
- C. CloudWatch Logs status is set to ON versus SECURE, which prevents it from pulling in OS security event logs
- D. The VPC requires that all traffic go through a proxy, and the CloudWatch Logs agent does not support a proxy configuration.

Answer: B

Explanation:

the reason why there were no alerts on the sudo commands. Sudo commands are commands that allow a user to execute commands as another user, usually the superuser or root. CloudWatch Logs agent is a software agent that can send log data from an EC2 instance to CloudWatch Logs, a service that monitors and stores log data. The CloudWatch Logs agent needs an IAM instance profile, which is a container for an IAM role that allows applications running on an EC2 instance to make API requests to AWS services. If the IAM instance profile on the EC2 instance was not properly configured to allow the CloudWatch Logs agent to push the logs to CloudWatch, then there would be no alerts on the sudo commands. The other options are either irrelevant or invalid for explaining why there were no alerts on the sudo commands.

NEW QUESTION 76

A company is using Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) to deploy an application that deals with sensitive data During a recent security audit, the company identified a security issue in which Amazon RDS credentials were stored with the application code In the company's source code repository

A security engineer needs to develop a solution to ensure that database credentials are stored securely and rotated periodically. The credentials should be accessible to the application only The engineer also needs to prevent database administrators from sharing database credentials as plaintext with other teammates. The solution must also minimize administrative overhead

Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Use the IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store to generate database credential
- B. Use an IAM profile for ECS tasks to restrict access to database credentials to specific containers only.
- C. Use IAM Secrets Manager to store database credential
- D. Use an IAM inline policy for ECS tasks to restrict access to database credentials to specific containers only.
- E. Use the IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store to store database credential
- F. Use IAM roles for ECS tasks to restrict access to database credentials to specific containers only
- G. Use IAM Secrets Manager to store database credential
- H. Use IAM roles for ECS tasks to restrict access to database credentials to specific containers only.

Answer: D

Explanation:

To ensure that database credentials are stored securely and rotated periodically, the security engineer should do the following:

- Use AWS Secrets Manager to store database credentials. This allows the security engineer to encrypt and manage secrets centrally, and to configure automatic rotation schedules for them.
- Use IAM roles for ECS tasks to restrict access to database credentials to specific containers only. This allows the security engineer to grant fine-grained permissions to ECS tasks based on their roles, and to avoid sharing credentials as plaintext with other teammates.

NEW QUESTION 77

A company needs to store multiple years of financial records. The company wants to use Amazon S3 to store copies of these documents. The company must implement a solution to prevent the documents from being edited, replaced, or deleted for 7 years after the documents are stored in Amazon S3. The solution must also encrypt the documents at rest.

A security engineer creates a new S3 bucket to store the documents. What should the security engineer do next to meet these requirements?

- A. Configure S3 server-side encryption
- B. Create an S3 bucket policy that has an explicit deny rule for all users for s3:DeleteObject and s3:PutObject API call
- C. Configure S3 Object Lock to use governance mode with a retention period of 7 years.
- D. Configure S3 server-side encryption
- E. Configure S3 Versioning on the S3 bucket
- F. Configure S3 ObjectLock to use compliance mode with a retention period of 7 years.
- G. Configure S3 Versioning
- H. Configure S3 Intelligent-Tiering on the S3 bucket to move the documents to S3 Glacier Deep Archive storage
- I. Use S3 server-side encryption immediately
- J. Expire the objects after 7 years.
- K. Set up S3 Event Notifications and use S3 server-side encryption
- L. Configure S3 Event Notifications to target an AWS Lambda function that will review any S3 API call to the S3 bucket and deny the s3:DeleteObject and s3:PutObject API call
- M. Remove the S3 event notification after 7 years.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 81

A company has an AWS account that includes an Amazon S3 bucket. The S3 bucket uses server-side encryption with AWS KMS keys (SSE-KMS) to encrypt all the objects at rest by using a customer managed key. The S3 bucket does not have a bucket policy.

An IAM role in the same account has an IAM policy that allows s3 List* and s3 Get* permissions for the S3 bucket. When the IAM role attempts to access an object in the S3 bucket the role receives an access denied message.

Why does the IAM role not have access to the objects that are in the S3 bucket?

- A. The IAM role does not have permission to use the KMS CreateKey operation.
- B. The S3 bucket lacks a policy that allows access to the customer managed key that encrypts the objects.
- C. The IAM role does not have permission to use the customer managed key that encrypts the objects that are in the S3 bucket.
- D. The ACL of the S3 objects does not allow read access for the objects when the objects are encrypted at rest.

Answer: C

Explanation:

When using server-side encryption with AWS KMS keys (SSE-KMS), the requester must have both Amazon S3 permissions and AWS KMS permissions to access the objects. The Amazon S3 permissions are for the bucket and object operations, such as s3:ListBucket and s3:GetObject. The AWS KMS permissions are for the key operations, such as kms:GenerateDataKey and kms:Decrypt. In this case, the IAM role has the necessary Amazon S3 permissions, but not the AWS KMS permissions to use the customer managed key that encrypts the objects. Therefore, the IAM role receives an access denied message when trying to access the objects. Verified References:

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- <https://repost.aws/knowledge-center/s3-access-denied-error-kms>
- <https://repost.aws/knowledge-center/cross-account-access-denied-error-s3>

NEW QUESTION 85

A company maintains an open-source application that is hosted on a public GitHub repository. While creating a new commit to the repository, an engineer uploaded their IAM access key and secret access key. The engineer reported the mistake to a manager, and the manager immediately disabled the access key. The company needs to assess the impact of the exposed access key. A security engineer must recommend a solution that requires the least possible managerial overhead.

Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Analyze an IAM Identity and Access Management (IAM) use report from IAM Trusted Advisor to see when the access key was last used.
- B. Analyze Amazon CloudWatch Logs for activity by searching for the access key.
- C. Analyze VPC flow logs for activity by searching for the access key
- D. Analyze a credential report in IAM Identity and Access Management (IAM) to see when the access key was last used.

Answer: A

Explanation:

To assess the impact of the exposed access key, the security engineer should recommend the following solution:

- Analyze an IAM use report from AWS Trusted Advisor to see when the access key was last used. This allows the security engineer to use a tool that provides information about IAM entities and credentials in their account, and check if there was any unauthorized activity with the exposed access key.

NEW QUESTION 89

A developer is building a serverless application hosted on IAM that uses Amazon Redshift in a data store. The application has separate modules for read/write and read-only functionality. The modules need their own database users for compliance reasons.

Which combination of steps should a security engineer implement to grant appropriate access? (Select TWO)

- A. Configure cluster security groups for each application module to control access to database users that are required for read-only and read/write.
- B. Configure a VPC endpoint for Amazon Redshift Configure an endpoint policy that maps database users to each application module, and allow access to the tables that are required for read-only and read/write
- C. Configure an IAM policy for each module Specify the ARN of an Amazon Redshift database user that allows the GetClusterCredentials API call
- D. Create local database users for each module
- E. Configure an IAM policy for each module Specify the ARN of an IAM user that allows the GetClusterCredentials API call

Answer: CD

Explanation:

To grant appropriate access to the application modules, the security engineer should do the following:

- Configure an IAM policy for each module. Specify the ARN of an Amazon Redshift database user that allows the GetClusterCredentials API call. This allows the application modules to use temporary credentials to access the database with the permissions of the specified user.
- Create local database users for each module. This allows the security engineer to create separate users for read/write and read-only functionality, and to assign them different privileges on the database tables.

NEW QUESTION 91

You need to create a policy and apply it for just an individual user. How could you accomplish this in the right way?
Please select:

- A. Add an IAM managed policy for the user
- B. Add a service policy for the user
- C. Add an IAM role for the user
- D. Add an inline policy for the user

Answer: D

Explanation:

Options A and B are incorrect since you need to add an inline policy just for the user Option C is invalid because you don't assign an IAM role to a user The IAM Documentation mentions the following

An inline policy is a policy that's embedded in a principal entity (a user, group, or role)—that is, the policy is an inherent part of the principal entity. You can create a policy and embed it in a principal entity, either when you create the principal entity or later.

For more information on IAM Access and Inline policies, just browse to the below URL: <https://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access>

The correct answer is: Add an inline policy for the user Submit your Feedback/Queries to our Experts

NEW QUESTION 96

A company's security engineer is designing an isolation procedure for Amazon EC2 instances as part of an incident response plan. The security engineer needs to isolate a target instance to block any traffic to and from the target instance, except for traffic from the company's forensics team. Each of the company's EC2 instances has its own dedicated security group. The EC2 instances are deployed in subnets of a VPC. A subnet can contain multiple instances.

The security engineer is testing the procedure for EC2 isolation and opens an SSH session to the target instance. The procedure starts to simulate access to the target instance by an attacker. The security engineer removes the existing security group rules and adds security group rules to give the forensics team access to the target instance on port 22.

After these changes, the security engineer notices that the SSH connection is still active and usable. When the security engineer runs a ping command to the public IP address of the target instance, the ping command is blocked.

What should the security engineer do to isolate the target instance?

- A. Add an inbound rule to the security group to allow traffic from 0.0.0.0/0 for all port
- B. Add an outbound rule to the security group to allow traffic to 0.0.0.0/0 for all port
- C. Then immediately delete these rules.
- D. Remove the port 22 security group rule
- E. Attach an instance role policy that allows AWS Systems Manager Session Manager connections so that the forensics team can access the target instance.
- F. Create a network ACL that is associated with the target instance's subnet
- G. Add a rule at the top of the inbound rule set to deny all traffic from 0.0.0.0/0. Add a rule at the top of the outbound rule set to deny all traffic to 0.0.0.0/0.
- H. Create an AWS Systems Manager document that adds a host-level firewall rule to block all inbound traffic and outbound traffic
- I. Run the document on the target instance.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 99

A company is deploying an Amazon EC2-based application. The application will include a custom health-checking component that produces health status data in JSON format. A Security Engineer must

implement a secure solution to monitor application availability in near-real time by analyzing the health status data.

Which approach should the Security Engineer use?

- A. Use Amazon CloudWatch monitoring to capture Amazon EC2 and networking metrics Visualize metrics using Amazon CloudWatch dashboards.
- B. Run the Amazon Kinesis Agent to write the status data to Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Store the streaming data from Kinesis Data Firehose in Amazon Redshift
- C. Then run a script on the pool data and analyze the data in Amazon Redshift
- D. Write the status data directly to a public Amazon S3 bucket from the health-checking component Configure S3 events to invoke an IAM Lambda function that analyzes the data
- E. Generate events from the health-checking component and send them to Amazon CloudWatch Events. Include the status data as event payload
- F. Use CloudWatch Events rules to invoke an IAM Lambda function that analyzes the data.

Answer: A

Explanation:

Amazon CloudWatch monitoring is a service that collects and tracks metrics from AWS resources and applications, and provides visualization tools and alarms to monitor performance and availability¹. The health status data in JSON format can be sent to CloudWatch as custom metrics², and then displayed in CloudWatch dashboards³. The other options are either inefficient or insecure for monitoring application availability in near-real time.

NEW QUESTION 103

You have an S3 bucket defined in IAM. You want to ensure that you encrypt the data before sending it across the wire. What is the best way to achieve this. Please select:

- A. Enable server side encryption for the S3 bucket
- B. This request will ensure that the data is encrypted first.
- C. Use the IAM Encryption CLI to encrypt the data first
- D. Use a Lambda function to encrypt the data before sending it to the S3 bucket.
- E. Enable client encryption for the bucket

Answer: B

Explanation:

One can use the IAM Encryption CLI to encrypt the data before sending it across to the S3 bucket. Options A and C are invalid because this would still mean that data is transferred in plain text Option D is invalid because you cannot just enable client side encryption for the S3 bucket For more information on Encrypting and Decrypting data, please visit the below URL:

<https://IAM.amazonaws.com/blogs/security/how-to-encrypt-and-decrypt-your-data-with-the-IAM-encryption-cli> The correct answer is: Use the IAM Encryption CLI to encrypt the data first Submit your Feedback/Queries to our Experts

NEW QUESTION 104

An organization wants to log all IAM API calls made within all of its IAM accounts, and must have a central place to analyze these logs. What steps should be taken to meet these requirements in the MOST secure manner? (Select TWO)

- A. Turn on IAM CloudTrail in each IAM account
- B. Turn on CloudTrail in only the account that will be storing the logs
- C. Update the bucket ACL of the bucket in the account that will be storing the logs so that other accounts can log to it
- D. Create a service-based role for CloudTrail and associate it with CloudTrail in each account
- E. Update the bucket policy of the bucket in the account that will be storing the logs so that other accounts can log to it

Answer: AE

Explanation:

these are the steps that can meet the requirements in the most secure manner. CloudTrail is a service that records AWS API calls and delivers log files to an S3 bucket. Turning on CloudTrail in each IAM account can help capture all IAM API calls made within those accounts. Updating the bucket policy of the bucket in the account that will be storing the logs can help grant other accounts permission to write log files to that bucket. The other options are either unnecessary or insecure for logging and analyzing IAM API calls.

NEW QUESTION 107

A company has deployed Amazon GuardDuty and now wants to implement automation for potential threats. The company has decided to start with RDP brute force attacks that come from Amazon EC2 instances in the company's AWS environment. A security engineer needs to implement a solution that blocks the detected communication from a suspicious instance until investigation and potential remediation can occur.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Configure GuardDuty to send the event to an Amazon Kinesis data stream
- B. Process the event with an Amazon Kinesis Data Analytics for Apache Flink application that sends a notification to the company through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS). Add rules to the network ACL to block traffic to and from the suspicious instance.
- C. Configure GuardDuty to send the event to Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events). Deploy an AWS WAF web ACL
- D. Process the event with an AWS Lambda function that sends a notification to the company through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) and adds a web ACL rule to block traffic to and from the suspicious instance.
- E. Enable AWS Security Hub to ingest GuardDuty findings and send the event to Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events). Deploy AWS Network Firewall
- F. Process the event with an AWS Lambda function that adds a rule to a Network Firewall firewall policy to block traffic to and from the suspicious instance.
- G. Enable AWS Security Hub to ingest GuardDuty findings
- H. Configure an Amazon Kinesis data stream as an event destination for Security Hub
- I. Process the event with an AWS Lambda function that replaces the security group of the suspicious instance with a security group that does not allow any connections.

Answer: C

Explanation:

<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/security/automatically-block-suspicious-traffic-with-aws-network-firewall-and-a>

NEW QUESTION 109

A company is operating a website using Amazon CloudFront. CloudFront servers some content from Amazon S3 and other from web servers running EC2 instances behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB). Amazon DynamoDB is used as the data store. The company already uses IAM Certificate Manager (ACM) to store a public TLS certificate that can optionally secure connections between the website users and CloudFront. The company has a new requirement to enforce end-to-end encryption in transit.

Which combination of steps should the company take to meet this requirement? (Select THREE.)

- A. Update the CloudFront distribution
- B. configuring it to optionally use HTTPS when connecting to origins on Amazon S3
- C. Update the web application configuration on the web servers to use HTTPS instead of HTTP when connecting to DynamoDB
- D. Update the CloudFront distribution to redirect HTTP connections to HTTPS
- E. Configure the web servers on the EC2 instances to listen using HTTPS using the public ACM TLS certificate Update the ALB to connect to the target group using HTTPS
- F. Update the ALB listen to listen using HTTPS using the public ACM TLS certificate
- G. Update the CloudFront distribution to connect to the HTTPS listener.
- H. Create a TLS certificate Configure the web servers on the EC2 instances to use HTTPS only with that certificate
- I. Update the ALB to connect to the target group using HTTPS.

Answer: BCE

Explanation:

To enforce end-to-end encryption in transit, the company should do the following:

- Update the web application configuration on the web servers to use HTTPS instead of HTTP when connecting to DynamoDB. This ensures that the data is encrypted when it travels from the web servers to the data store.
- Update the CloudFront distribution to redirect HTTP requests to HTTPS. This ensures that the viewers always use HTTPS when they access the website through CloudFront.
- Update the ALB to listen using HTTPS using the public ACM TLS certificate. Update the CloudFront distribution to connect to the HTTPS listener. This ensures that the data is encrypted when it travels from CloudFront to the ALB and from the ALB to the web servers.

NEW QUESTION 113

An organization must establish the ability to delete an IAM KMS Customer Master Key (CMK) within a 24- hour timeframe to keep it from being used for encrypt or decrypt operations Which of the following actions will address this requirement?

- A. Manually rotate a key within KMS to create a new CMK immediately
- B. Use the KMS import key functionality to execute a delete key operation
- C. Use the schedule key deletion function within KMS to specify the minimum wait period for deletion
- D. Change the KMS CMK alias to immediately prevent any services from using the CMK.

Answer: C

Explanation:

the schedule key deletion function within KMS allows you to specify a waiting period before deleting a customer master key (CMK)⁴. The minimum waiting period is 7 days and the maximum is 30 days⁵. This function prevents the CMK from being used for encryption or decryption operations during the waiting period⁴. The other options are either invalid or ineffective for deleting a CMK within a 24-hour timeframe.

NEW QUESTION 114

A company hosts an application on Amazon EC2 that is subject to specific rules for regulatory compliance. One rule states that traffic to and from the workload must be inspected for network-level attacks. This involves inspecting the whole packet.

To comply with this regulatory rule, a security engineer must install intrusion detection software on a c5n.4xlarge EC2 instance. The engineer must then configure the software to monitor traffic to and from the application instances.

What should the security engineer do next?

- A. Place the network interface in promiscuous mode to capture the traffic.
- B. Configure VPC Flow Logs to send traffic to the monitoring EC2 instance using a Network Load Balancer.
- C. Configure VPC traffic mirroring to send traffic to the monitoring EC2 instance using a Network Load Balancer.
- D. Use Amazon Inspector to detect network-level attacks and trigger an IAM Lambda function to send the suspicious packets to the EC2 instance.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 117

A company uses a third-party application to store encrypted data in Amazon S3. The company uses another third-party application that decrypts the data from Amazon S3 to ensure separation of duties Between the applications A Security Engineer warns to separate the permissions using IAM roles attached to Amazon EC2 instances. The company prefers to use native IAM services.

Which encryption method will meet these requirements?

- A. Use encrypted Amazon EBS volumes with Amazon default keys (IAM EBS)
- B. Use server-side encryption with customer-provided keys (SSE-C)
- C. Use server-side encryption with IAM KMS managed keys (SSE-KMS)
- D. Use server-side encryption with Amazon S3 managed keys (SSE-S3)

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 119

An ecommerce company is developing new architecture for an application release. The company needs to implement TLS for incoming traffic to the application. Traffic for the application will originate from the internet TLS does not have to be implemented in an end-to-end configuration because the company is concerned about impacts on performance. The incoming traffic types will be HTTP and HTTPS The application uses ports 80 and 443.

What should a security engineer do to meet these requirements?

- A. Create a public Application Load Balance
- B. Create two listeners one listener on port 80 and one listener on port 443. Create one target group
- C. Create a rule to forward traffic from port 80 to the listener on port 443 Provision a public TLS certificate in AWS Certificate Manager (ACM). Attach the certificate to the listener on port 443.
- D. Create a public Application Load Balance
- E. Create two listeners one listener on port 80 and one listener on port 443. Create one target group
- F. Create a rule to forward traffic from port 80 to the listener on port 443 Provision a public TLS certificate in AWS Certificate Manager (ACM). Attach the certificate to the listener on port 80.
- G. Create a public Network Load Balance
- H. Create two listeners one listener on port 80 and one listener on port 443. Create one target group
- I. Create a rule to forward traffic from port 80 to the listener on port 443. Set the protocol for the listener on port 443 to TLS.
- J. Create a public Network Load Balance
- K. Create a listener on port 443. Create one target group
- L. Create a rule to forward traffic from port 443 to the target group
- M. Set the protocol for the listener on port 443 to TLS.

Answer: A

Explanation:

An Application Load Balancer (ALB) is a type of load balancer that operates at the application layer (layer 7) of the OSI model. It can distribute incoming traffic based on the content of the request, such as the host header, path, or query parameters. An ALB can also terminate TLS connections and decrypt requests from clients before sending them to the targets. To implement TLS for incoming traffic to the application, the following steps are required:

- Create a public ALB in a public subnet and register the EC2 instances as targets in a target group.
- Create two listeners for the ALB, one on port 80 for HTTP traffic and one on port 443 for HTTPS traffic.
- Create a rule for the listener on port 80 to redirect HTTP requests to HTTPS using the same host, path, and query parameters.
- Provision a public TLS certificate in AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) for the domain name of the application. ACM is a service that lets you easily provision, manage, and deploy public and private SSL/TLS certificates for use with AWS services and your internal connected resources.
- Attach the certificate to the listener on port 443 and configure the security policy to negotiate secure connections between clients and the ALB.
- Configure the security groups for the ALB and the EC2 instances to allow inbound traffic on ports 80 and 443 from the internet and outbound traffic on any port to the EC2 instances.

This solution will meet the requirements of implementing TLS for incoming traffic without impacting performance or requiring end-to-end encryption. The ALB will handle the TLS termination and decryption, while forwarding unencrypted requests to the EC2 instances.

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NEW QUESTION 121

A developer signed in to a new account within an IAM Organization organizational unit (OU) containing multiple accounts. Access to the Amazon S3 service is restricted with the following SCP.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "s3:*",
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

How can the security engineer provide the developer with Amazon S3 access without affecting other account?

- A. Move the SCP to the root OU of organization to remove the restriction to access Amazon S3.
- B. Add an IAM policy for the developer, which grants S3 access.
- C. Create a new OU without applying the SCP restricting S3 access.
- D. Move the developer account to this new OU.
- E. Add an allow list for the developer account for the S3 service.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 123

A company needs to use HTTPS when connecting to its web applications to meet compliance requirements. These web applications run in Amazon VPC on Amazon EC2 instances behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB). A security engineer wants to ensure that the load balancer will only accept connections over port 443, even if the ALB is mistakenly configured with an HTTP listener.

Which configuration steps should the security engineer take to accomplish this task?

- A. Create a security group with a rule that denies inbound connections from 0.0.0.0/0 on port 80. Attach this security group to the ALB to overwrite more permissive rules from the ALB's default security group.
- B. Create a network ACL that denies inbound connections from 0.0.0.0/0 on port 80. Associate the network ACL with the VPC's internet gateway.
- C. Create a network ACL that allows outbound connections to the VPC IP range on port 443 only. Associate the network ACL with the VPC's internet gateway.
- D. Create a security group with a single inbound rule that allows connections from 0.0.0.0/0 on port 443. Ensure this security group is the only one associated with the ALB.

Answer: D

Explanation:

To ensure that the load balancer only accepts connections over port 443, the security engineer should do the following:

- Create a security group with a single inbound rule that allows connections from 0.0.0.0/0 on port 443. This means that the security group allows HTTPS traffic from any source IP address.
- Ensure this security group is the only one associated with the ALB. This means that the security group overrides any other rules that might allow HTTP traffic on port 80.

NEW QUESTION 128

An application is running on an Amazon EC2 instance that has an IAM role attached. The IAM role provides access to an AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) customer managed key and an Amazon S3 bucket. The key is used to access 2 TB of sensitive data that is stored in the S3 bucket.

A security engineer discovers a potential vulnerability on the EC2 instance that could result in the compromise of the sensitive data. Due to other critical operations, the security engineer cannot immediately shut down the EC2 instance for vulnerability patching.

What is the FASTEST way to prevent the sensitive data from being exposed?

- A. Download the data from the existing S3 bucket to a new EC2 instance.
- B. Then delete the data from the S3 bucket.

- C. Re-encrypt the data with a client-based ke
- D. Upload the data to a new S3 bucket.
- E. Block access to the public range of S3 endpoint IP addresses by using a host-based firewal
- F. Ensure that internet-bound traffic from the affected EC2 instance is routed through the host-based firewall.
- G. Revoke the IAM role's active session permission
- H. Update the S3 bucket policy to deny access to the IAM rol
- I. Remove the IAM role from the EC2 instance profile.
- J. Disable the current ke
- K. Create a new KMS key that the IAM role does not have access to, and re-encrypt all the data with the new ke
- L. Schedule the compromised key for deletion.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 132

A company is running internal microservices on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) with the Amazon EC2 launch type. The company is using Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR) private repositories. A security engineer needs to encrypt the private repositories by using AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS). The security engineer also needs to analyze the container images for any common vulnerabilities and exposures (CVEs). Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Enable KMS encryption on the existing ECR repositorie
- B. Install Amazon Inspector Agent from the ECS container instances' user dat
- C. Run an assessment with the CVE rules.
- D. Recreate the ECR repositories with KMS encryption and ECR scanning enable
- E. Analyze the scan report after the next push of images.
- F. Recreate the ECR repositories with KMS encryption and ECR scanning enable
- G. Install AWS Systems Manager Agent on the ECS container instance
- H. Run an inventory report.
- I. Enable KMS encryption on the existing ECR repositorie
- J. Use AWS Trusted Advisor to check the ECS container instances and to verily the findings against a list of current CVEs.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 137

Your development team is using access keys to develop an application that has access to S3 and DynamoDB. A new security policy has outlined that the credentials should not be older than 2 months, and should be rotated. How can you achieve this? Please select:

- A. Use the application to rotate the keys in every 2 months via the SDK
- B. Use a script to query the creation date of the key
- C. If older than 2 months, create new access key and update all applications to use it inactivate the old key and delete it.
- D. Delete the user associated with the keys after every 2 month
- E. Then recreate the user again.
- F. Delete the IAM Role associated with the keys after every 2 month
- G. Then recreate the IAM Role again.

Answer: B

Explanation:

One can use the CLI command list-access-keys to get the access keys. This command also returns the "CreateDate" of the keys. If the CreateDate is older than 2 months, then the keys can be deleted.

The Returns list-access-keys CLI command returns information about the access key IDs associated with the specified IAM user. If there are none, the action returns an empty list

Option A is incorrect because you might as use a script for such maintenance activities Option C is incorrect because you would not rotate the users themselves

Option D is incorrect because you don't use IAM roles for such a purpose For more information on the CLI command, please refer to the below Link:

<http://docs.IAM.amazon.com/cli/latest/reference/iam/list-access-keys.html>

The correct answer is: Use a script to query the creation date of the keys. If older than 2 months, create new access key and update all applications to use it inactivate the old key and delete it.

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NEW QUESTION 140

A security engineer recently rotated the host keys for an Amazon EC2 instance. The security engineer is trying to access the EC2 instance by using the EC2 Instance. Connect feature. However, the security engineer receives an error (or failed host key validation. Before the rotation of the host keys EC2 Instance Connect worked correctly with this EC2 instance.

What should the security engineer do to resolve this error?

- A. Import the key material into AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS).
- B. Manually upload the new host key to the AWS trusted host keys database.
- C. Ensure that the AmazonSSMManagedInstanceCore policy is attached to the EC2 instance profile.
- D. Create a new SSH key pair for the EC2 instance.

Answer: B

Explanation:

To set up a CloudFront distribution for an S3 bucket that hosts a static website, and to allow only specified IP addresses to access the website, the following steps are required:

- Create a CloudFront origin access identity (OAI), which is a special CloudFront user that you can associate with your distribution. An OAI allows you to restrict access to your S3 content by using signed URLs or signed cookies. For more information, see Using an origin access identity to restrict access to your Amazon S3 content.

- Create the S3 bucket policy so that only the OAI has access. This will prevent users from accessing the website directly by using S3 URLs, as they will receive an Access Denied error. To do this, use the AWS Policy Generator to create a bucket policy that grants s3:GetObject permission to the OAI, and attach it to the S3 bucket. For more information, see Restricting access to Amazon S3 content by using an origin access identity.
- Create an AWS WAF web ACL and add an IP set rule. AWS WAF is a web application firewall service that lets you control access to your web applications. An IP set is a condition that specifies a list of IP addresses or IP address ranges that requests originate from. You can use an IP set rule to allow or block requests based on the IP addresses of the requesters. For more information, see Working with IP match conditions.
- Associate the web ACL with the CloudFront distribution. This will ensure that the web ACL filters all requests for your website before they reach your origin. You can do this by using the AWS WAF console, API, or CLI. For more information, see Associating or disassociating a web ACL with a CloudFront distribution. This solution will meet the requirements of allowing only specified IP addresses to access the website and preventing direct access by using S3 URLs. The other options are incorrect because they either do not create a CloudFront distribution for the S3 bucket (A), do not use an OAI to restrict access to the S3 bucket ©, or do not use AWS WAF to block traffic from outside the specified IP addresses (D).
- Verified References:
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/waf/latest/developerguide/web-acl-ip-conditions.html>

NEW QUESTION 145

An audit determined that a company's Amazon EC2 instance security group violated company policy by allowing unrestricted incoming SSH traffic. A security engineer must implement a near-real-time monitoring and alerting solution that will notify administrators of such violations.

Which solution meets these requirements with the MOST operational efficiency?

- A. Create a recurring Amazon Inspector assessment run that runs every day and uses the Network Reachability package
- B. Create an Amazon CloudWatch rule that invokes an IAM Lambda function when an assessment run start
- C. Configure the Lambda function to retrieve and evaluate the assessment run report when it complete
- D. Configure the Lambda function also to publish an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) notification if there are any violations for unrestricted incoming SSH traffic.
- E. Use the restricted-ssh IAM Config managed rule that is invoked by security group configuration changes that are not compliant
- F. Use the IAM Config remediation feature to publish a message to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.
- G. Configure VPC Flow Logs for the VP
- H. and specify an Amazon CloudWatch Logs grou
- I. Subscribe the CloudWatch Logs group to an IAM Lambda function that parses new log entries, detects successful connections on port 22, and publishes a notification through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS).
- J. Create a recurring Amazon Inspector assessment run that runs every day and uses the Security Best Practices package
- K. Create an Amazon CloudWatch rule that invokes an IAM Lambda function when an assessment run start
- L. Configure the Lambda function to retrieve and evaluate the assessment run report when it complete
- M. Configure the Lambda function also to publish an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) notification if there are any violations for unrestricted incoming SSH traffic.

Answer: B

Explanation:

The most operationally efficient solution to implement a near-real-time monitoring and alerting solution that will notify administrators of security group violations is to use the restricted-ssh AWS Config managed rule that is invoked by security group configuration changes that are not compliant. This rule checks whether security groups that are in use have inbound rules that allow unrestricted SSH traffic. If a violation is detected, AWS Config can use the remediation feature to publish a message to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.

Option A is incorrect because creating a recurring Amazon Inspector assessment run that uses the Network Reachability package is not operationally efficient, as it requires setting up an assessment target and template, running the assessment every day, and invoking a Lambda function to retrieve and evaluate the assessment report. It also does not provide near-real-time monitoring and alerting, as it depends on the frequency and duration of the assessment run.

Option C is incorrect because configuring VPC Flow Logs for the VPC and specifying an Amazon CloudWatch Logs group is not operationally efficient, as it requires creating a log group and stream, enabling VPC Flow Logs for each subnet or network interface, and subscribing a Lambda function to parse and analyze the log entries. It also does not provide proactive monitoring and alerting, as it only detects successful connections on port 22 after they have occurred.

Option D is incorrect because creating a recurring Amazon Inspector assessment run that uses the Security Best Practices package is not operationally efficient, for the same reasons as option A. It also does not provide specific monitoring and alerting for security group violations, as it covers a broader range of security issues. References:

- [\[AWS Config Rules\]](#)
- [\[AWS Config Remediation\]](#)
- [\[Amazon Inspector\]](#)
- [\[VPC Flow Logs\]](#)

NEW QUESTION 147

A company has contracted with a third party to audit several AWS accounts. To enable the audit, cross-account IAM roles have been created in each account targeted for audit. The Auditor is having trouble accessing some of the accounts.

Which of the following may be causing this problem? (Choose three.)

- A. The external ID used by the Auditor is missing or incorrect.
- B. The Auditor is using the incorrect password.
- C. The Auditor has not been granted sts:AssumeRole for the role in the destination account.
- D. The Amazon EC2 role used by the Auditor must be set to the destination account role.
- E. The secret key used by the Auditor is missing or incorrect.
- F. The role ARN used by the Auditor is missing or incorrect.

Answer: ACF

Explanation:

The following may be causing the problem for the Auditor:

- A. The external ID used by the Auditor is missing or incorrect. This is a possible cause, because the external ID is a unique identifier that is used to establish a trust relationship between the accounts. The external ID must match the one that is specified in the role's trust policy in the destination account1.
- C. The Auditor has not been granted sts:AssumeRole for the role in the destination account. This is a possible cause, because sts:AssumeRole is the API

action that allows the Auditor to assume the cross-account role and obtain temporary credentials. The Auditor must have an IAM policy that allows them to call sts:AssumeRole for the role ARN in the destination account2.

➤ F. The role ARN used by the Auditor is missing or incorrect. This is a possible cause, because the role ARN is the Amazon Resource Name of the cross-account role that the Auditor wants to assume. The role ARN must be valid and exist in the destination account3.

NEW QUESTION 152

A company has a group of Amazon EC2 instances in a single private subnet of a VPC with no internet gateway attached. A security engineer has installed the Amazon CloudWatch agent on all instances in that subnet to capture logs from a specific application. To ensure that the logs flow securely, the company's networking team has created VPC endpoints for CloudWatch monitoring and CloudWatch logs. The networking team has attached the endpoints to the VPC. The application is generating logs. However, when the security engineer queries CloudWatch, the logs do not appear. Which combination of steps should the security engineer take to troubleshoot this issue? (Choose three.)

- A. Ensure that the EC2 instance profile that is attached to the EC2 instances has permissions to create log streams and write logs.
- B. Create a metric filter on the logs so that they can be viewed in the AWS Management Console.
- C. Check the CloudWatch agent configuration file on each EC2 instance to make sure that the CloudWatch agent is collecting the proper log files.
- D. Check the VPC endpoint policies of both VPC endpoints to ensure that the EC2 instances have permissions to use them.
- E. Create a NAT gateway in the subnet so that the EC2 instances can communicate with CloudWatch.
- F. Ensure that the security groups allow all the EC2 instances to communicate with each other to aggregate logs before sending.

Answer: ACD

Explanation:

The possible steps to troubleshoot this issue are:

- A. Ensure that the EC2 instance profile that is attached to the EC2 instances has permissions to create log streams and write logs. This is a necessary step because the CloudWatch agent uses the credentials from the instance profile to communicate with CloudWatch1.
 - C. Check the CloudWatch agent configuration file on each EC2 instance to make sure that the CloudWatch agent is collecting the proper log files. This is a necessary step because the CloudWatch agent needs to know which log files to monitor and send to CloudWatch2.
 - D. Check the VPC endpoint policies of both VPC endpoints to ensure that the EC2 instances have permissions to use them. This is a necessary step because the VPC endpoint policies control which principals can access the AWS services through the endpoints3.
- The other options are incorrect because:
- B. Creating a metric filter on the logs is not a troubleshooting step, but a way to extract metric data from the logs. Metric filters do not affect the visibility of the logs in the AWS Management Console.
 - E. Creating a NAT gateway in the subnet is not a solution, because the EC2 instances do not need internet access to communicate with CloudWatch through the VPC endpoints. A NAT gateway would also incur additional costs.
 - F. Ensuring that the security groups allow all the EC2 instances to communicate with each other is not a necessary step, because the CloudWatch agent does not require log aggregation before sending. Each EC2 instance can send its own logs independently to CloudWatch.

References:

1: IAM Roles for Amazon EC2 2: CloudWatch Agent Configuration File: Logs Section 3: Using Amazon VPC Endpoints : Metric Filters : NAT Gateways : CloudWatch Agent Reference: Log Aggregation

NEW QUESTION 154

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