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NEW QUESTION 1
An organization needs to implement more stringent controls over administrator/root credentials and service accounts. Requirements for the project include:

- Check-in/checkout of credentials
- The ability to use but not know the password
- Automated password changes
- Logging of access to credentials

Which of the following solutions would meet the requirements?

A. OAuth 2.0
B. Secure Enclave
C. A privileged access management system
D. An OpenID Connect authentication system

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 2
Which of the following describes the BEST approach for deploying application patches?

A. Apply the patches to systems in a testing environment then to systems in a staging environment, and finally to production systems.
B. Test the patches in a staging environment, develop against them in the development environment, andthen apply them to the production systems
C. Test the patches m a test environment apply them to the production systems and then apply them to a staging environment
D. Apply the patches to the production systems apply them in a staging environment, and then test all of them in a testing environment

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 3
A cybersecurity department purchased o new PAM solution. The team is planning to randomize the service account credentials of the Windows server first. Which of the following would be the BEST method to increase the security on the Linux server?

A. Randomize the shared credentials
B. Use only guest accounts to connect.
C. Use SSH keys and remove generic passwords
D. Remove all user accounts.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 4
An organization that is located in a flood zone is MOST likely to document the concerns associated with the restoration of IT operation in a:

A. business continuity plan
B. communications plan.
C. disaster recovery plan.
D. continuity of operations plan

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 5
An organization is concerned that is hosted web servers are not running the most updated version of the software. Which of the following would work BEST to help identify potential vulnerabilities?

A. Hping3 –s comptia, org –p 80
B. Nc -1 –v comptia, org –p 80
C. nmp comptia, org –p 80 –aV
D. nslookup –port=80 comtia.org

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 6
A small company that does not have security staff wants to improve its security posture. Which of the following would BEST assist the company?

A. MSSP
B. SOAR
C. IaaS
D. PaaS

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 7
A user contacts the help desk to report the following:

- Two days ago, a pop-up browser window prompted the user for a name and password after connecting to the corporate wireless SSID. This had never happened before, but the user entered the information as requested.
- The user was able to access the Internet but had trouble accessing the department share until the next day.

The user is now getting notifications from the bank about unauthorized transactions. Which of the following attack vectors was MOST likely used in this scenario?

A. Rogue access point
B. Evil twin
C. DNS poisoning
D. ARP poisoning

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 8
A commercial cyber-threat intelligence organization observes IoCs across a variety of unrelated customers. Prior to releasing specific threat intelligence to other paid subscribers, the organization is MOST likely obligated by contracts to:

A. perform attribution to specific APTs and nation-state actors.
B. anonymize any PII that is observed within the IoC data.
C. add metadata to track the utilization of threat intelligence reports.
D. assist companies with impact assessments based on the observed data.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 9
An enterprise has hired an outside security firm to conduct penetration testing on its network and applications. The firm has only been given the documentation available to the customers of the applications. Which of the following BEST represents the type of testing that will occur?

A. Bug bounty
B. Black-box
C. Gray-box
D. White-box

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 10
A financial organization has adopted a new secure, encrypted document-sharing application to help with its customer loan process. Some important PII needs to be shared across this new platform, but it is getting blocked by the DLP systems. Which of the following actions will BEST allow the PII to be shared with the secure application without compromising the organization’s security posture?

A. Configure the DLP policies to allow all PII
B. Configure the firewall to allow all ports that are used by this application
C. Configure the antivirus software to allow the application
D. Configure the DLP policies to whitelist this application with the specific PII
E. Configure the application to encrypt the PII

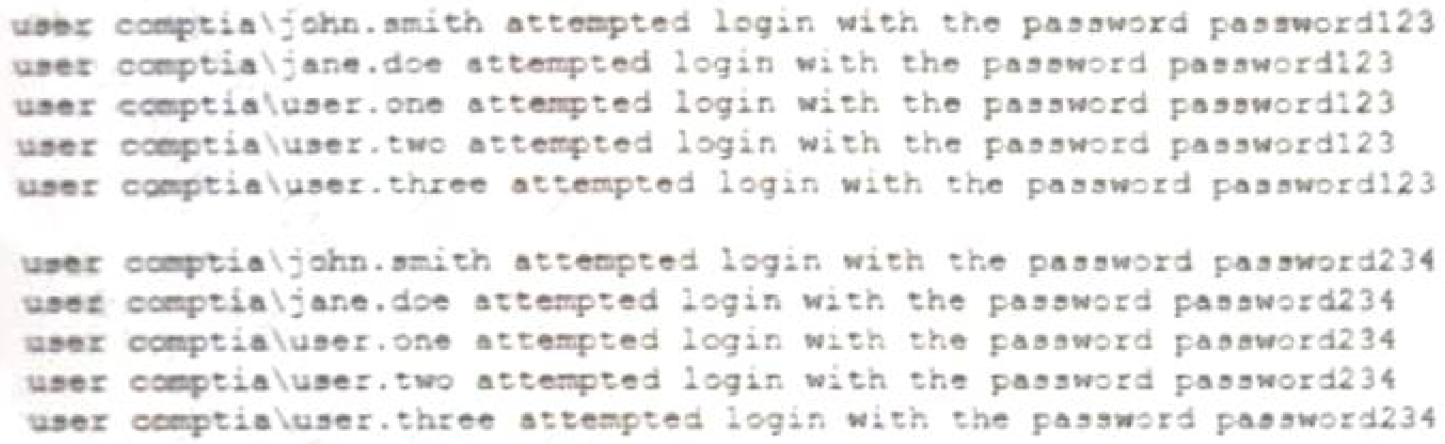
Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 10
A large industrial system's smart generator monitors the system status and sends alerts to third-party maintenance personnel when critical failures occur. While reviewing the network logs the company's security manager notices the generator's IP is sending packets to an internal file server's IP. Which of the following mitigations would be BEST for the security manager to implement while maintaining alerting capabilities?

A. Segmentation
B. Firewall whitelisting
C. Containment
D. isolation

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 14
A security analyst is reviewing the following attack log output:



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user comptia\john.smith attempted login with the password password123
user comptia\jane.doe attempted login with the password password123
user comptia\user.one attempted login with the password password123
user comptia\user.two attempted login with the password password123
user comptia\user.three attempted login with the password password123

user comptia\john.smith attempted login with the password password234
user comptia\jane.doe attempted login with the password password234
user comptia\user.one attempted login with the password password234
user comptia\user.two attempted login with the password password234
user comptia\user.three attempted login with the password password234
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Which of the following types of attacks does this MOST likely represent?

A. Rainbow table
B. Brute-force
C. Password-spraying

D. Dictionary

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 18
Which of the following relets to applications and systems that are used within an organization without consent or approval?

A. Shadow IT
B. OSINT
C. Dark web
D. Insider threats

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 23
Which of the following job roles would sponsor data quality and data entry initiatives that ensure business and regulatory requirements are met?

A. The data owner
B. The data processor
C. The data steward
D. The data privacy officer.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 28
After a ransomware attack a forensics company needs to review a cryptocurrency transaction between the victim and the attacker. Which of the following will the company MOST likely review to trace this transaction?

A. The public ledger
B. The NetFlow data
C. A checksum
D. The event log

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 30
A recent audit uncovered a key finding regarding the use of a specific encryption standard in a web application that is used to communicate with business customers. Due to the technical limitations of its customers the company is unable to upgrade the encryption standard. Which of the following types of controls should be used to reduce the risk created by this scenario?

A. Physical
B. Detective
C. Preventive
D. Compensating

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 33
A security analyst has received an alert about being sent via email. The analyst’s Chief information Security Officer (CISO) has made it clear that PII must be handle with extreme care From which of the following did the alert MOST likely originate?

A. S/MIME
B. DLP
C. IMAP
D. HIDS

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 36
A security analyst receives the configuration of a current VPN profile and notices the authentication is only applied to the IP datagram portion of the packet. Which of the following should the analyst implement to authenticate the entire packet?

A. AH
B. ESP
C. SRTP
D. LDAP

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 40
Which of the following would BEST identify and remediate a data-loss event in an enterprise using third-party, web-based services and file-sharing platforms?

A. SIEM
B. CASB
C. UTM

D. DLP

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 44
A security engineer is reviewing log files after a third discovered usernames and passwords for the organization’s accounts. The engineer sees there was a change in the IP address for a vendor website one earlier. This change lasted eight hours. Which of the following attacks was MOST likely used?

A. Man-in- the middle
B. Spear-phishing
C. Evil twin
D. DNS poising

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 47
Which of the following BEST explains the difference between a data owner and a data custodian?

A. The data owner is responsible for adhering to the rules for using the data, while the data custodian is responsible for determining the corporate governance regarding the data
B. The data owner is responsible for determining how the data may be used, while the data custodian is responsible for implementing the protection to the data
C. The data owner is responsible for controlling the data, while the data custodian is responsible for maintaining the chain of custody when handling the data
D. The data owner grants the technical permissions for data access, while the data custodian maintains the database access controls to the data

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 49
A symmetric encryption algorithm Is BEST suited for:

A. key-exchange scalability.
B. protecting large amounts of data.
C. providing hashing capabilities,
D. implementing non-repudiation.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 53
The facilities supervisor for a government agency is concerned about unauthorized access to environmental systems in the event the staff WiFi network is breached. Which of the blowing would BEST address this security concern?

A. install a smart meter on the staff WiFi.
B. Place the environmental systems in the same DHCP scope as the staff WiFi.
C. Implement Zigbee on the staff WiFi access points.
D. Segment the staff WiFi network from the environmental systems network.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 58
A company recently set up an e-commerce portal to sell its product online. The company wants to start accepting credit cards for payment, which requires compliance with a security standard. Which of the following standards must the company comply with before accepting credit cards on its e-commerce platform?

A. PCI DSS
B. ISO 22301
C. ISO 27001
D. NIST CSF

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 62
A Chief Security Office's (CSO's) key priorities are to improve preparation, response, and recovery practices to minimize system downtime and enhance organizational resilience to ransomware attacks. Which of the following would BEST meet the CSO's objectives?

A. Use email-filtering software and centralized account management, patch high-risk systems, and restrict administration privileges on fileshares.
B. Purchase cyber insurance from a reputable provider to reduce expenses during an incident.
C. Invest in end-user awareness training to change the long-term culture and behavior of staff and executives, reducing the organization's susceptibility to phishing attacks.
D. Implement application whitelisting and centralized event-log management, and perform regular testing and validation of full backups.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 66
A network administrator would like to configure a site-to-site VPN utilizing iPSec. The administrator wants the tunnel to be established with data integrity encryption, authentication and anti- replay functions Which of the following should the administrator use when configuring the VPN?

A. AH

B. EDR
C. ESP
D. DNSSEC

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 70
A system administrator needs to implement an access control scheme that will allow an object’s access policy be determined by its owner. Which of the following access control schemes BEST fits the requirements?

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

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 75
Users have been issued smart cards that provide physical access to a building. The cards also contain tokens that can be used to access information systems. Users can log m to any thin client located throughout the building and see the same desktop each time. Which of the following technologies are being utilized to provide these capabilities? (Select TWO)

A. COPE
B. VDI
C. GPS
D. TOTP
E. RFID
F. BYOD

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 80
Which of the following is MOST likely to outline the roles and responsibilities of data controllers and data processors?

A. SSAE SOC 2
B. PCI DSS
C. GDPR
D. ISO 31000

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 84
A security analyst needs to generate a server certificate to be used for 802.1X and secure RDP connections. The analyst is unsure what is required to perform the task and solicits help from a senior colleague. Which of the following is the FIRST step the senior colleague will most likely tell the analyst to perform to accomplish this task?

A. Create an OCSP
B. Generate a CSR
C. Create a CRL
D. Generate a .pfx file

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 89
A smart retail business has a local store and a newly established and growing online storefront. A recent storm caused a power outage to the business and the local ISP, resulting in several hours of lost sales and delayed order processing. The business owner now needs to ensure two things:
* Protection from power outages
* Always-available connectivity In case of an outage
The owner has decided to implement battery backups for the computer equipment Which of the following would BEST fulfill the owner's second need?

A. Lease a point-to-point circuit to provide dedicated access.
B. Connect the business router to its own dedicated UPS.
C. Purchase services from a cloud provider for high availability
D. Replace the business's wired network with a wireless network.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 91
An analyst needs to set up a method for securely transferring files between systems. One of the requirements is to authenticate the IP header and the payload. Which of the following services would BEST meet the criteria?

A. TLS
B. PFS
C. ESP
D. AH

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 94
A security analyst is looking for a solution to help communicate to the leadership team the seventy levels of the organization’s vulnerabilities. Which of the following would BEST meet this need?

A. CVE
B. SIEM
C. SOAR
D. CVSS

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 97
A security analyst needs to implement an MDM solution for BYOD users that will allow the company to retain control over company emails residing on the devices and limit data exfiltration that might occur if the devices are lost or stolen. Which of the following would BEST meet these requirements? (Select TWO).

A. Full-device encryption
B. Network usage rules
C. Geofencing
D. Containerization
E. Application whitelisting
F. Remote control

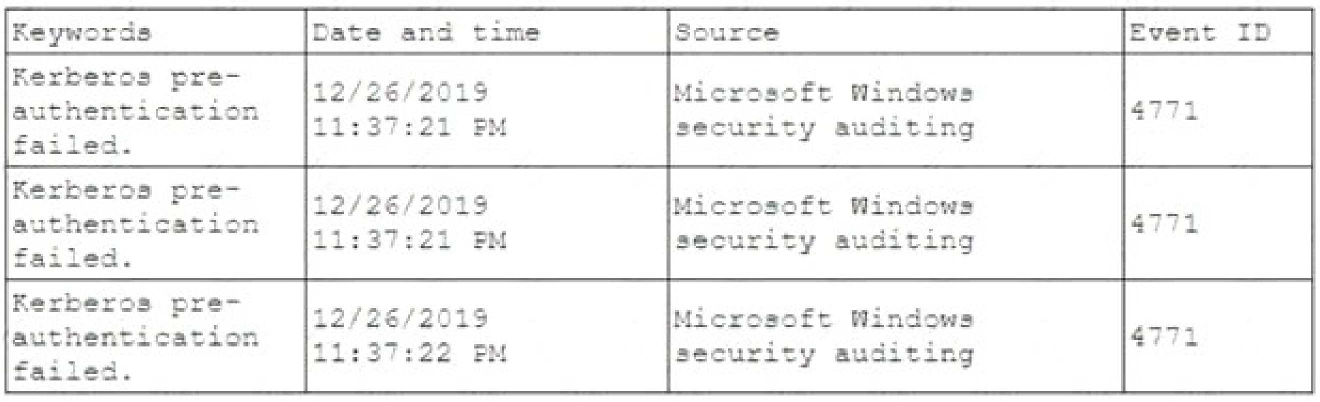
Answer: AB

NEW QUESTION 98
A security analyst needs to complete an assessment. The analyst is logged into a server and must use native tools to map services running on it to the server's listening ports. Which of the following tools can BEST accomplish this talk?

A. Netcat
B. Netstat
C. Nmap
D. Nessus

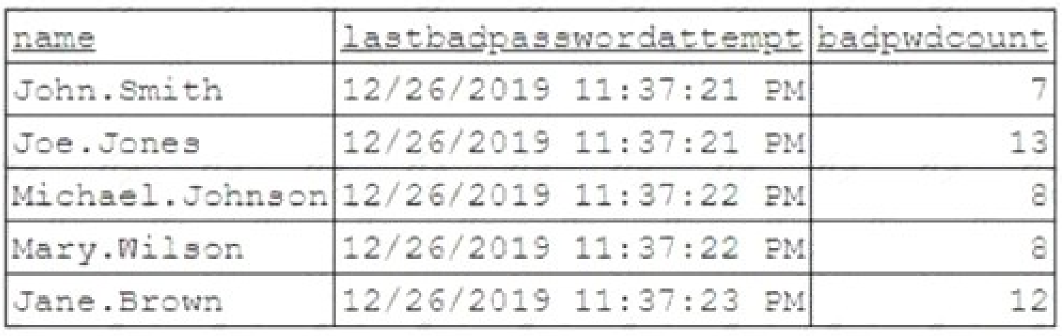
Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 102
A security analyst has been asked to investigate a situation after the SOC started to receive alerts from the SIEM. The analyst first looks at the domain controller and finds the following events:



Keywords	Date and time	Source	Event ID
Kerberos pre-authentication failed.	12/26/2019 11:37:21 PM	Microsoft Windows security auditing	4771
Kerberos pre-authentication failed.	12/26/2019 11:37:21 PM	Microsoft Windows security auditing	4771
Kerberos pre-authentication failed.	12/26/2019 11:37:22 PM	Microsoft Windows security auditing	4771

To better understand what is going on, the analyst runs a command and receives the following output:



name	lastbadpasswordattempt	badpwdcount
John.Smith	12/26/2019 11:37:21 PM	7
Joe.Jones	12/26/2019 11:37:21 PM	13
Michael.Johnson	12/26/2019 11:37:22 PM	8
Mary.Wilson	12/26/2019 11:37:22 PM	8
Jane.Brown	12/26/2019 11:37:23 PM	12

Based on the analyst’s findings, which of the following attacks is being executed?

A. Credential harvesting
B. Keylogger
C. Brute-force
D. Spraying

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 103
Which of the following is a team of people dedicated testing the effectiveness of organizational security programs by emulating the techniques of potential attackers?

A. Red team
B. While team
C. Blue team
D. Purple team

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 104
A user is concerned that a web application will not be able to handle unexpected or random input without crashing. Which of the following BEST describes the type of testing the user should perform?

A. Code signing
B. Fuzzing
C. Manual code review
D. Dynamic code analysis

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 105
A company's bank has reported that multiple corporate credit cards have been stolen over the past several weeks. The bank has provided the names of the affected cardholders to the company's forensics team to assist in the cyber-incident investigation.
An incident responder learns the following information:

- The timeline of stolen card numbers corresponds closely with affected users making Internet-based purchases from diverse websites via enterprise desktop PCs.
- All purchase connections were encrypted, and the company uses an SSL inspection proxy for the inspection of encrypted traffic of the hardwired network.
- Purchases made with corporate cards over the corporate guest WiFi network, where no SSL inspection occurs, were unaffected.

Which of the following is the MOST likely root cause?

A. HTTPS sessions are being downgraded to insecure cipher suites
B. The SSL inspection proxy is feeding events to a compromised SIEM
C. The payment providers are insecurely processing credit card charges
D. The adversary has not yet established a presence on the guest WiFi network

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 110
A security audit has revealed that a process control terminal is vulnerable to malicious users installing and executing software on the system. The terminal is beyond end-of-life support and cannot be upgraded, so it is placed on a projected network segment. Which of the following would be MOST effective to implement to further mitigate the reported vulnerability?

A. DNS sinkholding
B. DLP rules on the terminal
C. An IP blacklist
D. Application whitelisting

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 111
An organization wants to implement a third factor to an existing multifactor authentication. The organization already uses a smart card and password. Which of the following would meet the organization's needs for a third factor?

A. Date of birth
B. Fingerprints
C. PIN
D. TPM

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 114
A technician needs to prevent data loss in a laboratory. The laboratory is not connected to any external networks. Which of the following methods would BEST prevent data? (Select TWO)

A. VPN
B. Drive encryption
C. Network firewall
D. File-level encryption
E. USB blocker
F. MFA

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 115
An auditor is performing an assessment of a security appliance with an embedded OS that was vulnerable during the last two assessments. Which of the following BEST explains the appliance's vulnerable state?

A. The system was configured with weak default security settings.
B. The device uses weak encryption ciphers.
C. The vendor has not supplied a patch for the appliance.
D. The appliance requires administrative credentials for the assessment.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 117
A security engineer needs to Implement the following requirements:
• All Layer 2 switches should leverage Active Directory tor authentication.
• All Layer 2 switches should use local fallback authentication If Active Directory Is offline.
• All Layer 2 switches are not the same and are manufactured by several vendors.
Which of the following actions should the engineer take to meet these requirements? (Select TWO).

A. Implement RADIUS.
B. Configure AAA on the switch with local login as secondary.
C. Configure port security on the switch with the secondary login method.
D. Implement TACACS+
E. Enable the local firewall on the Active Directory server.
F. Implement a DHCP server.

Answer: AB

NEW QUESTION 118
An organization's Chief Security Officer (CSO) wants to validate the business's involvement in the incident response plan to ensure its validity and thoroughness. Which of the following will the CSO MOST likely use?

A. An external security assessment
B. A bug bounty program
C. A tabletop exercise
D. A red-team engagement

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 119
A RAT that was used to compromise an organization's banking credentials was found on a user's computer. The RAT evaded antivirus detection. It was installed by a user who has local administrator rights to the system as part of a remote management tool set. Which of the following recommendations would BEST prevent this from reoccurring?

A. Create a new acceptable use policy.
B. Segment the network into trusted and untrusted zones.
C. Enforce application whitelisting.
D. Implement DLP at the network boundary.

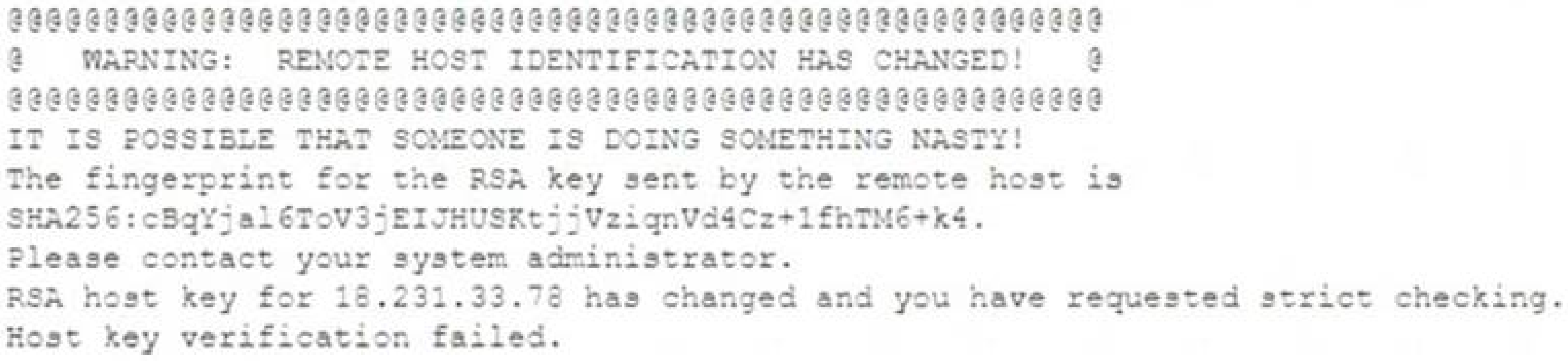
Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 124
A security analyst is using a recently released security advisory to review historical logs, looking for the specific activity that was outlined in the advisory. Which of the following is the analyst doing?

A. A packet capture
B. A user behavior analysis
C. Threat hunting
D. Credentialed vulnerability scanning

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 129
A researcher has been analyzing large data sets for the last ten months. The researcher works with colleagues from other institutions and typically connects via SSH to retrieve additional data. Historically, this setup has worked without issue, but the researcher recently started getting the following message:



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@    WARNING:  REMOTE HOST IDENTIFICATION HAS CHANGED!    @
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IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOMEONE IS DOING SOMETHING NASTY!
The fingerprint for the RSA key sent by the remote host is
SHA256:cBqYjal6ToV3jEIJHUSKtjjVziqnVd4Cz+1fhTM6+k4.
Please contact your system administrator.
RSA host key for 18.231.33.78 has changed and you have requested strict checking.
Host key verification failed.
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Which of the following network attacks is the researcher MOST likely experiencing?

A. MAC cloning
B. Evil twin
C. Man-in-the-middle
D. ARP poisoning

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 133
An organization with a low tolerance for user inconvenience wants to protect laptop hard drives against loss or data theft. Which of the following would be the MOST acceptable?

A. SED
B. HSM
C. DLP
D. TPM

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 136
An organization is developing an authentication service for use at the entry and exit ports of country borders. The service will use data feeds obtained from passport systems, passenger manifests, and high-definition video feeds from CCTV systems that are located at the ports. The service will incorporate machine-learning techniques to eliminate biometric enrollment processes while still allowing authorities to identify passengers with increasing accuracy over time. The more frequently passengers travel, the more accurately the service will identify them. Which of the following biometrics will MOST likely be used, without the need for enrollment? (Choose two.)

A. Voice
B. Gait
C. Vein
D. Facial
E. Retina
F. Fingerprint

Answer: BD

NEW QUESTION 141
An organization's help desk is flooded with phone calls from users stating they can no longer access certain websites. The help desk escalates the issue to the security team, as these websites were accessible the previous day. The security analysts run the following command: ipconfig /flushdns, but the issue persists. Finally, an analyst changes the DNS server for an impacted machine, and the issue goes away. Which of the following attacks MOST likely occurred on the original DNS server?

A. DNS cache poisoning
B. Domain hijacking
C. Distributed denial-of-service
D. DNS tunneling

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 144
A Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) needs to create a policy set that meets international standards for data privacy and sharing. Which of the following should the CISO read and understand before writing the policies?

A. PCI DSS
B. GDPR
C. NIST
D. ISO 31000

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 149
A public relations team will be taking a group of guest on a tour through the facility of a large e-commerce company. The day before the tour, the company sends out an email to employees to ensure all whiteboars are cleaned and all desks are cleared. The company is MOST likely trying to protect against.

A. Loss of proprietary information
B. Damage to the company's reputation
C. Social engineering
D. Credential exposure

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 152
A company has limited storage available and online presence that cannot for more than four hours. Which of the following backup methodologies should the company implement to allow for the FASTEST database restore time In the event of a failure, which being maindful of the limited available storage space?

A. Implement fulltape backup every Sunday at 8:00 p.m and perform nightly tape rotations.
B. Implement different backups every Sunday at 8:00 and nightly incremental backups at 8:00 p.m
C. Implement nightly full backups every Sunday at 8:00 p.m
D. Implement full backups every Sunday at 8:00 p.m and nightly differential backups at 8:00

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 155
The IT department at a university is concerned about professors placing servers on the university network in an attempt to bypass security controls. Which of the following BEST represents this type of threat?

A. A script kiddie
B. Shadow IT
C. Hacktivism
D. White-hat

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 158
A security administrator suspects there may be unnecessary services running on a server. Which of the following tools will the administrator MOST likely use to confirm the suspicions?

A. Nmap
B. Wireshark
C. Autopsy
D. DNSEnum

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 159
Which of the following would MOST likely support the integrity of a voting machine?

A. Asymmetric encryption
B. Blockchain
C. Transport Layer Security
D. Perfect forward secrecy

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 161
An organization has been experiencing outages during holiday sales and needs to ensure availability of its point-of-sale systems The IT administrator has been asked to improve both server-data fault tolerance and site availability under high consumer load Which of the following are the BEST options to accomplish this objective'? (Select TWO)

A. Load balancing
B. Incremental backups
C. UPS
D. RAID
E. Dual power supply
F. NIC teaming

Answer: AD

NEW QUESTION 162
A recent malware outbreak across a subnet included successful rootkit installations on many PCs, ensuring persistence by rendering remediation efforts ineffective. Which of the following would BEST detect the presence of a rootkit in the future?

A. FDE
B. NIDS
C. EDR
D. DLP

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 167
A cybersecurity administrator has a reduced team and needs to operate an on-premises network and security infrastructure efficiently. To help with the situation, the administrator decides to hire a service provider. Which of the following should the administrator use?

A. SDP
B. AAA
C. IaaS
D. MSSP
E. Microservices

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 172
A company's Chief Information Office (CIO) is meeting with the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) to plan some activities to enhance the skill levels of the company's developers. Which of the following would be MOST suitable for training the developers'?

A. A capture-the-flag competition
B. A phishing simulation
C. Physical security training
D. Baste awareness training

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 174
After entering a username and password, and administrator must gesture on a touch screen. Which of the following demonstrates what the administrator is providing?

A. Multifactor authentication
B. Something you can do
C. Biometric
D. Two-factor authentication

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 175
A security analyst discovers several .jpg photos from a cellular phone during a forensics investigation involving a compromised system. The analyst runs a forensics tool to gather file metadata. Which of the following would be part of the images if all the metadata is still intact?

A. The GPS location
B. When the file was deleted
C. The total number of print jobs
D. The number of copies made

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 180
A cybersecurity manager has scheduled biannual meetings with the IT team and department leaders to discuss how they would respond to hypothetical cyberattacks. During these meetings, the manager presents a scenario and injects additional information throughout the session to replicate what might occur in a dynamic cybersecurity event involving the company, its facilities, its data, and its staff. Which of the following describes what the manager is doing?

A. Developing an incident response plan
B. Building a disaster recovery plan
C. Conducting a tabletop exercise
D. Running a simulation exercise

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 183
An organization suffered an outage and a critical system took 90 minutes to come back online. Though there was no data loss during the outage, the expectation was that the critical system would be available again within 60 minutes Which of the following is the 60-minute expectation an example of:

A. MTBF
B. RPO
C. MTTR
D. RTO

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 186
A security administrator suspects an employee has been emailing proprietary information to a competitor. Company policy requires the administrator to capture an exact copy of the employee’s hard disk. Which of the following should the administrator use?

A. dd
B. chmod
C. dnsenum
D. logger

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 189
A cybersecurity analyst needs to implement secure authentication to third-party websites without users’ passwords. Which of the following would be the BEST way to achieve this objective?

A. OAuth
B. SSO
C. SAML
D. PAP

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 190
Employees are having issues accessing the company's website. Some employees report very slow performance, while others cannot the website at all. The web and security administrators search the logs and find millions of half-open connections to port 443 on the web server. Further analysis reveals thousands of different source IPs initiating this traffic. Which of the following attacks is MOST likely occurring?

A. DDoS
B. Man-in-the-middle
C. MAC flooding
D. Domain hijacking

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 195

A network administrator has been asked to install an IDS to improve the security posture of an organization. Which of the following control types is an IDS?

A. Corrective
B. Physical
C. Detective
D. Administrative

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 196
A security modern may have occurred on the desktop PC of an organization's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) A duplicate copy of the CEO's hard drive must be stored securely to ensure appropriate forensic processes and the chain of custody are followed. Which of the following should be performed to accomplish this task?

A. Install a new hard drive in the CEO's PC, and then remove the old hard drive and place it in a tamper-evident bag
B. Connect a write blocker to the hard drive Then leveraging a forensic workstation, utilize the dd command m a live Linux environment to create a duplicate copy
C. Remove the CEO's hard drive from the PC, connect to the forensic workstation, and copy all the contents onto a remote fileshare while the CEO watches
D. Refrain from completing a forensic analysts of the CEO's hard drive until after the incident is confirmed, duplicating the hard drive at this stage could destroy evidence

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 201
Which of the following would be the BEST method for creating a detailed diagram of wireless access points and hot-spots?

A. Footprinting
B. White-box testing
C. A drone/UAV
D. Pivoting

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 204
Which of the following technical controls is BEST suited for the detection and prevention of buffer overflows on hosts?

A. DLP
B. HIDS
C. EDR
D. NIPS

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 209
A security analyst is reviewing a new website that will soon be made publicly available. The analyst sees the following in the URL:
http://dev-site.comptia.org/home/show.php?sessionID=77276554&loc=us
The analyst then sends an internal user a link to the new website for testing purposes, and when the user clicks the link, the analyst is able to browse the website with the following URL:
http://dev-site.comptia.org/home/show.php?sessionID=98988475&loc=us Which of the following application attacks is being tested?

A. Pass-the-hash
B. Session replay
C. Object deference
D. Cross-site request forgery

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 211
A company is launching a new internet platform for its clients. The company does not want to implement its own authorization solution but instead wants to rely on the authorization provided by another platform. Which of the following is the BEST approach to implement the desired solution?

A. OAuth
B. TACACS+
C. SAML
D. RADIUS

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 212
In which of the following common use cases would steganography be employed?

A. Obfuscation
B. Integrity
C. Non-repudiation
D. Blockchain

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 213
The SOC is reviewing process and procedures after a recent incident. The review indicates it took more than 30 minutes to determine that quarantining an infected host was the best course of action. The allowed the malware to spread to additional hosts before it was contained. Which of the following would be BEST to improve the incident response process?

A. Updating the playbooks with better decision points
B. Dividing the network into trusted and untrusted zones
C. Providing additional end-user training on acceptable use
D. Implementing manual quarantining of infected hosts

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 218
Which of the following scenarios would make a DNS sinkhole effective in thwarting an attack?

A. An attacker is sniffing traffic to port 53, and the server is managed using unencrypted usernames and passwords.
B. An organization is experiencing excessive traffic on port 53 and suspects an attacker is trying to DoS the domain name server.
C. Malware trying to resolve an unregistered domain name to determine if it is running in an isolated sandbox
D. Routing tables have been compromised, and an attacker is rerouting traffic to malicious websites

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 222
The IT department's on-site developer has been with the team for many years. Each time an application is released, the security team is able to identify multiple vulnerabilities. Which of the following would BEST help the team ensure the application is ready to be released to production?

A. Limit the use of third-party libraries.
B. Prevent data exposure queries.
C. Obfuscate the source code.
D. Submit the application to QA before releasing it.

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 227
Which of the following allows for functional test data to be used in new systems for testing and training purposes to protect the read data?

A. Data encryption
B. Data masking
C. Data deduplication
D. Data minimization

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 231
A security analyst needs to produce a document that details how a security incident occurred, the steps that were taken for recovery, and how future incidents can be avoided. During which of the following stages of the response process will this activity take place?

A. Recovery
B. Identification
C. Lessons learned
D. Preparation

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 233
A manufacturer creates designs for very high security products that are required to be protected and controlled by the government regulations. These designs are not accessible by corporate networks or the Internet. Which of the following is the BEST solution to protect these designs?

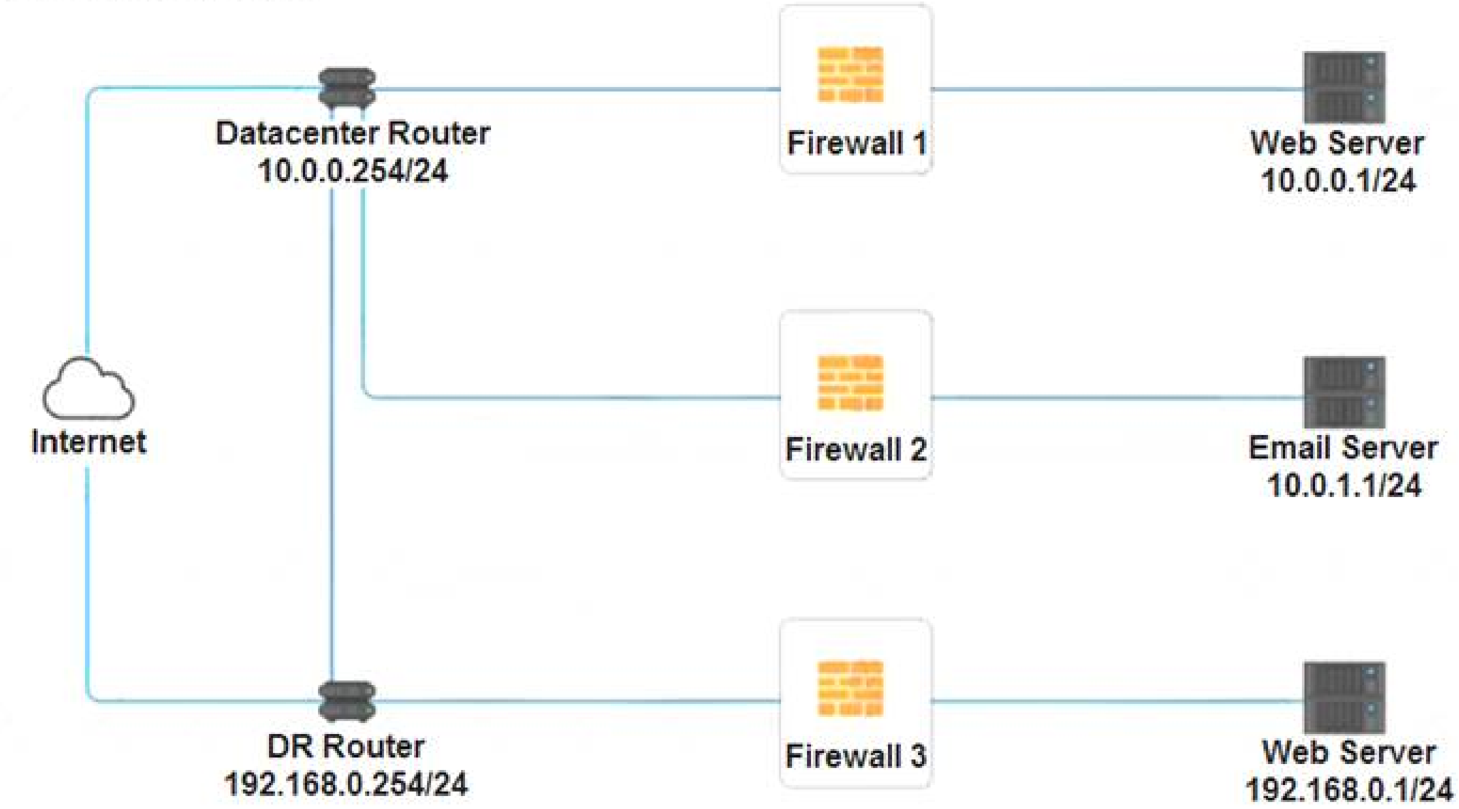
A. An air gap
B. A Faraday cage
C. A shielded cable
D. A demilitarized zone

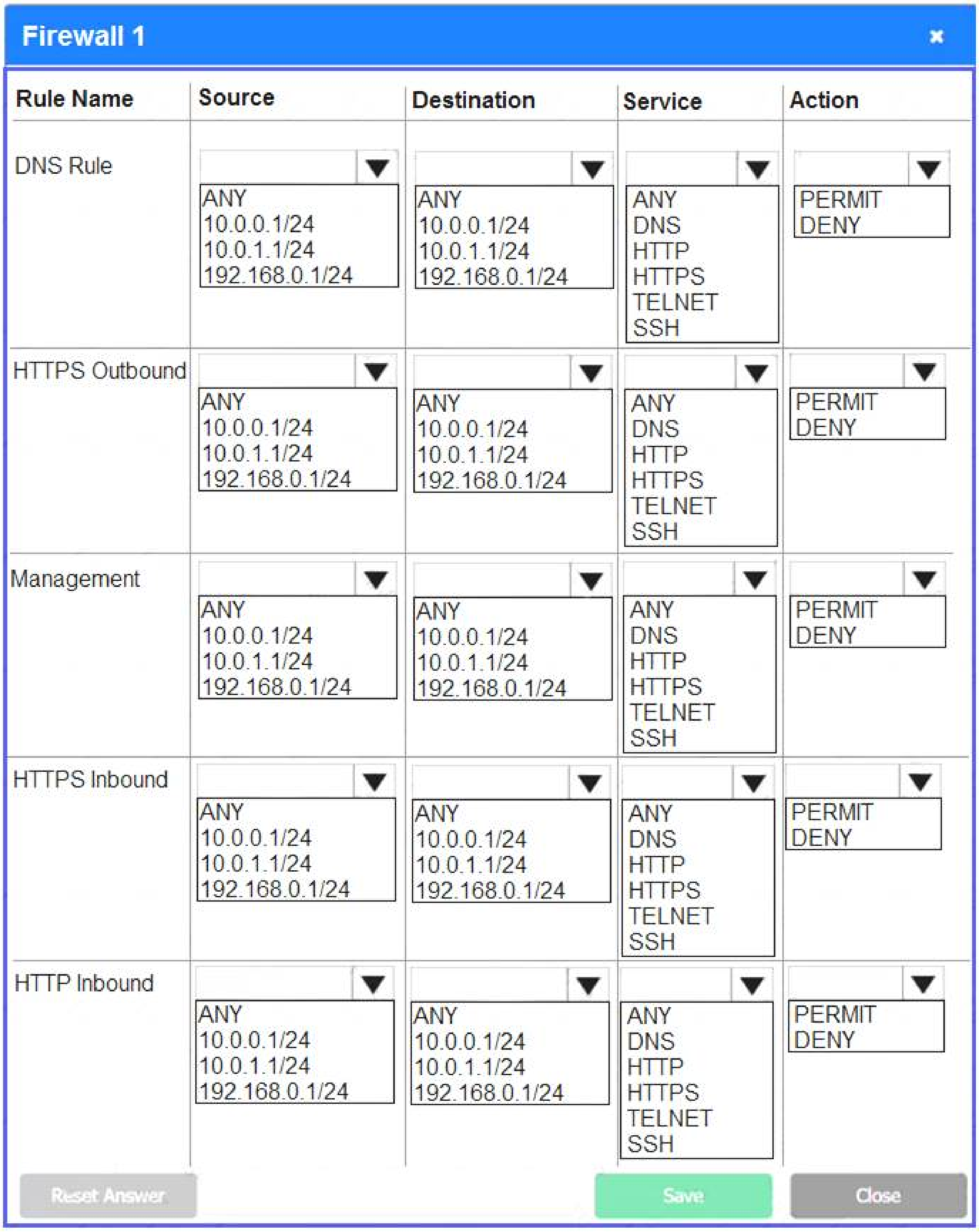
Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 238
A company recently added a DR site and is redesigning the network. Users at the DR site are having issues browsing websites. INSTRUCTIONS
Click on each firewall to do the following:
- Deny cleartext web traffic.
- Ensure secure management protocols are used.
- Resolve issues at the DR site.

The ruleset order cannot be modified due to outside constraints.
If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please click the Reset All button.

Network Diagram





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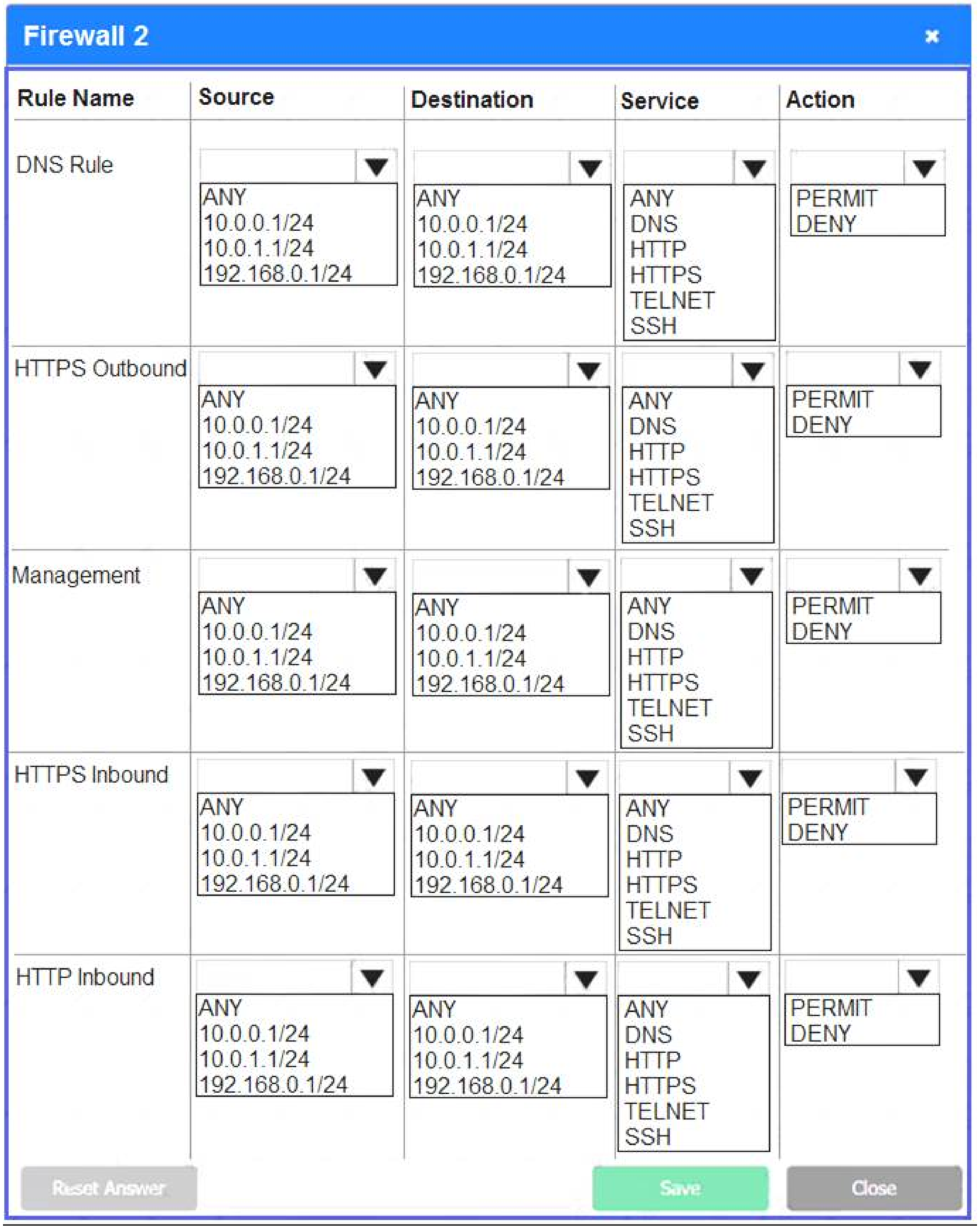

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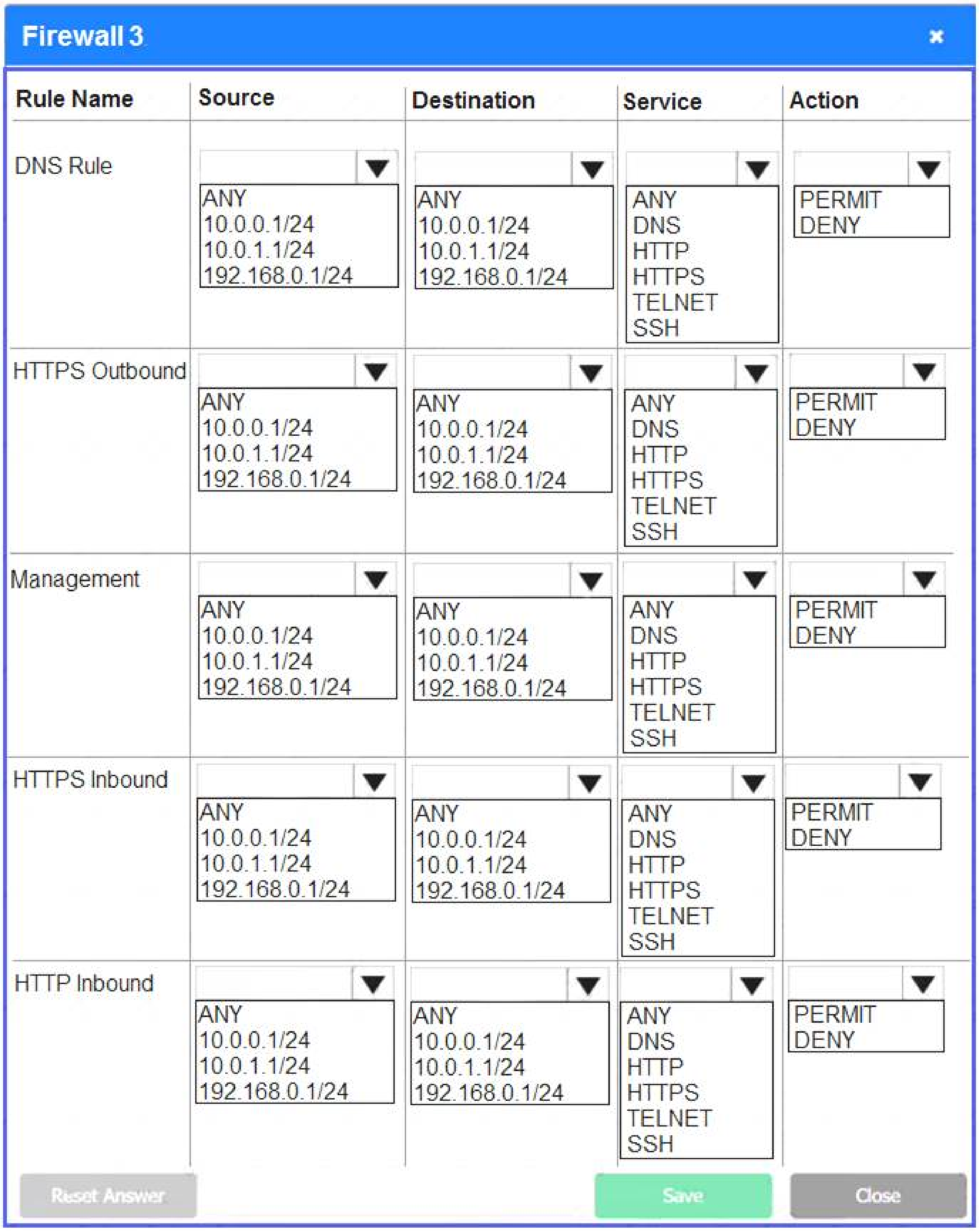

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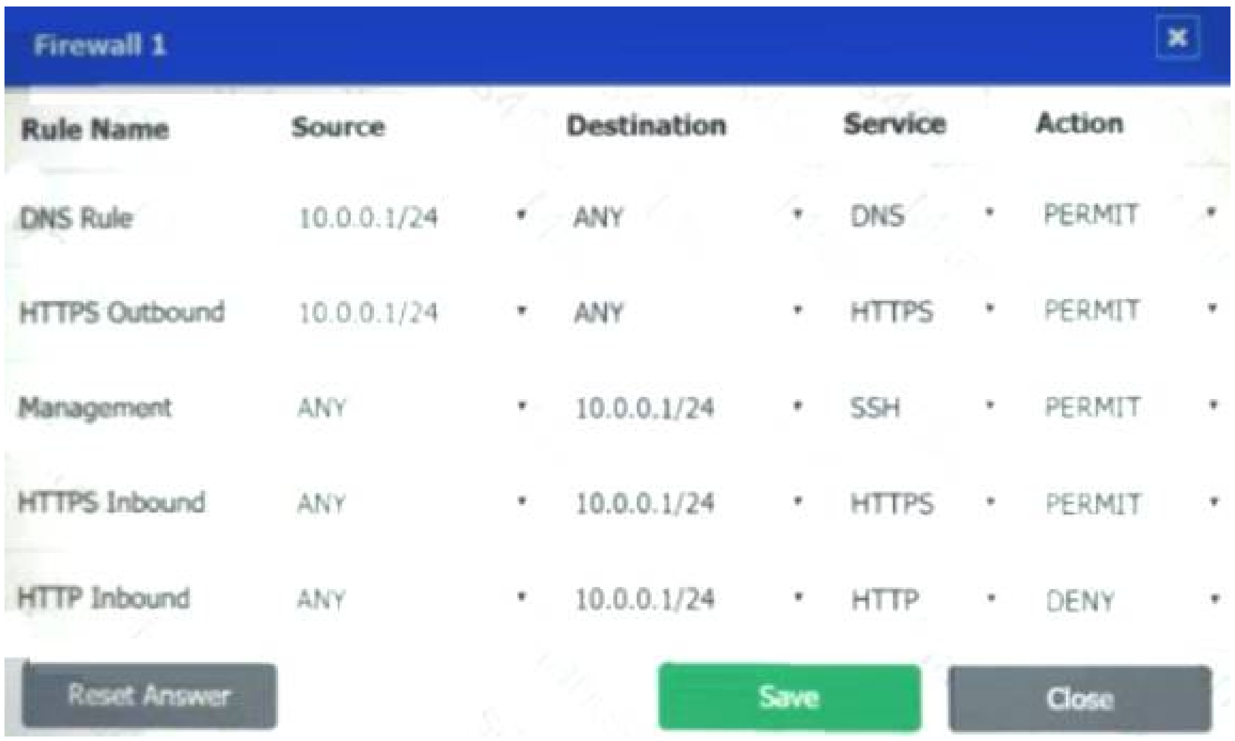

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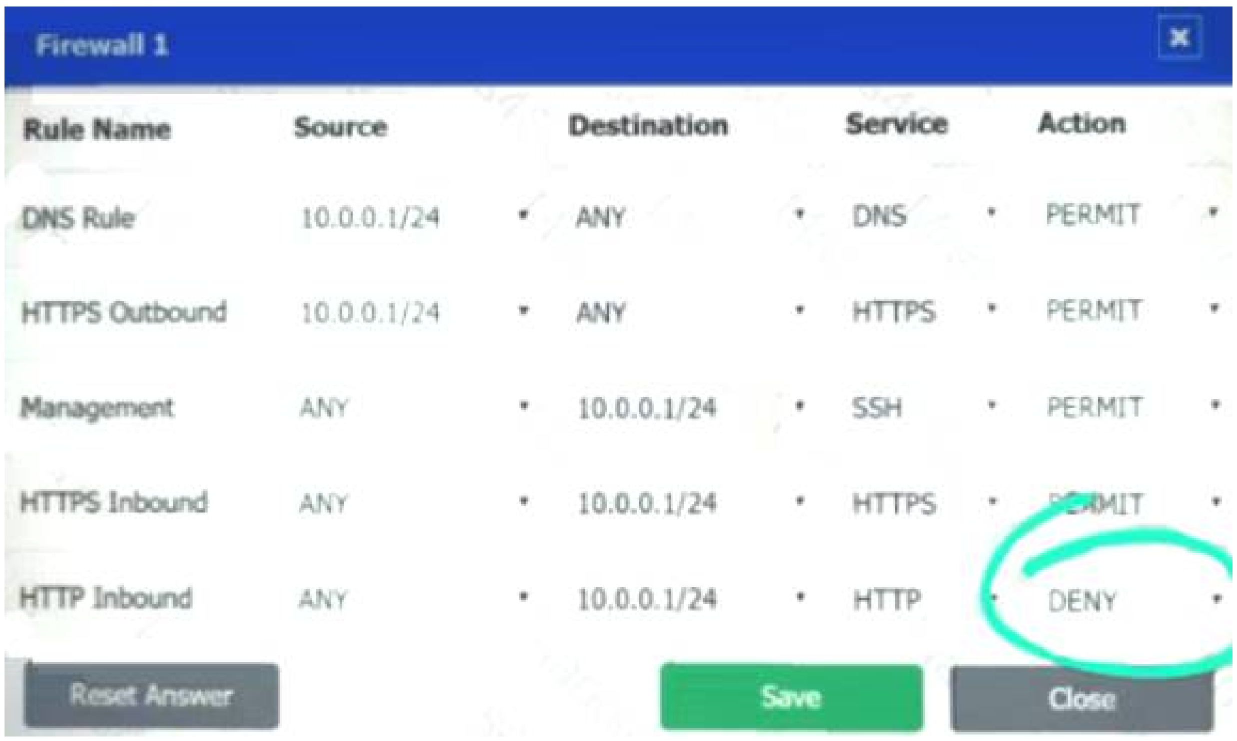

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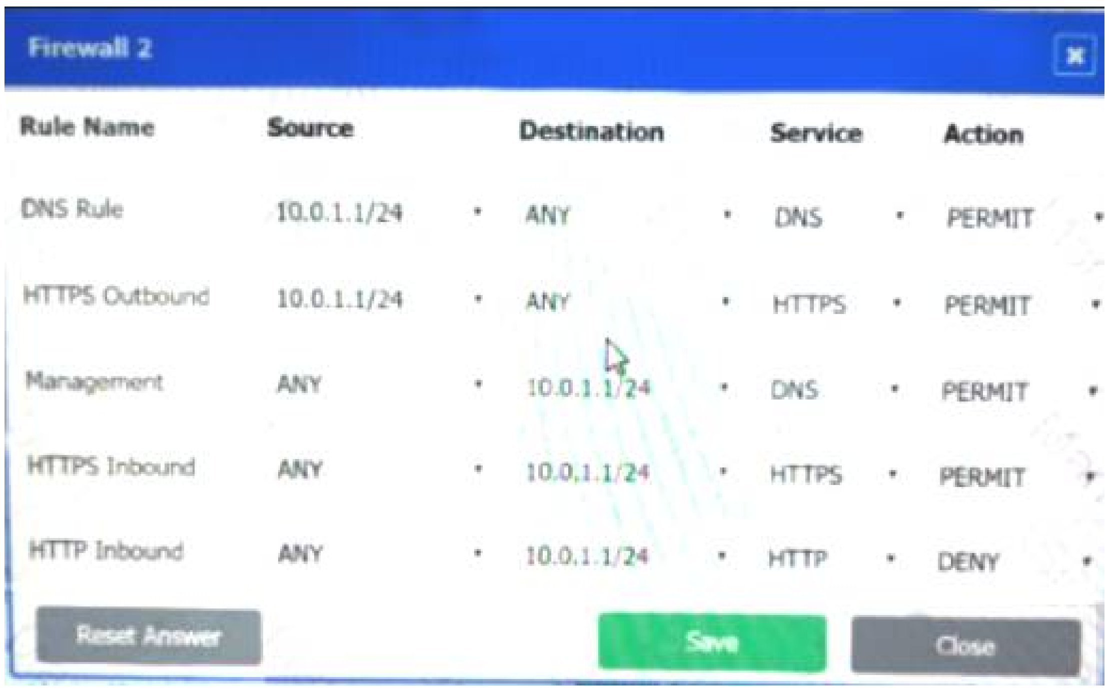

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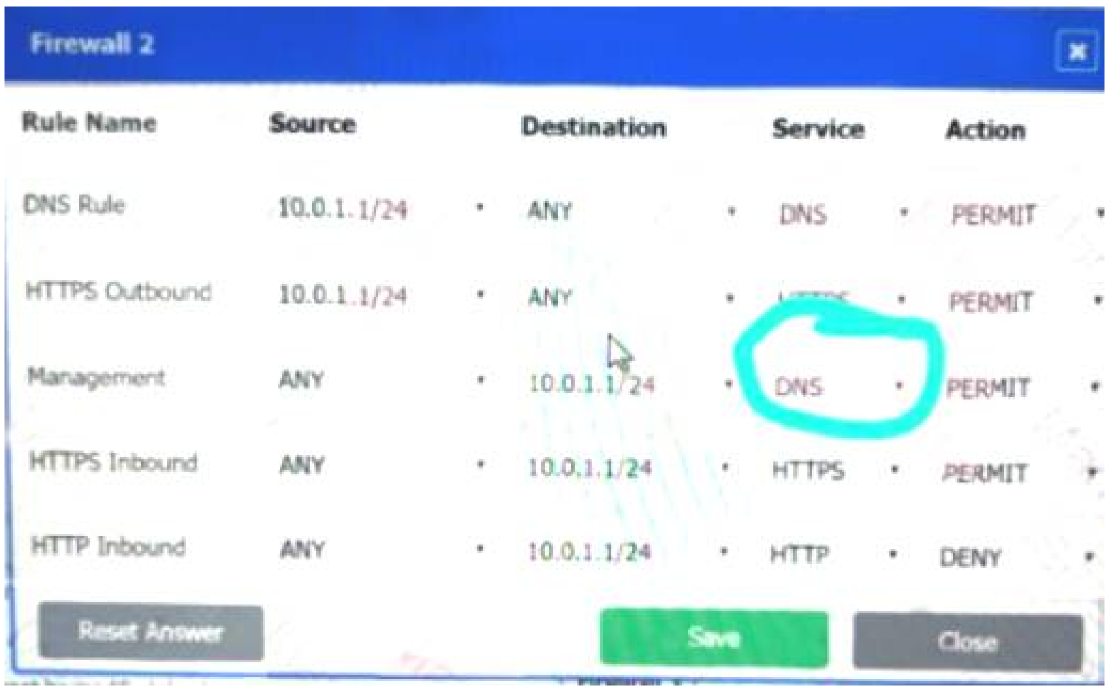

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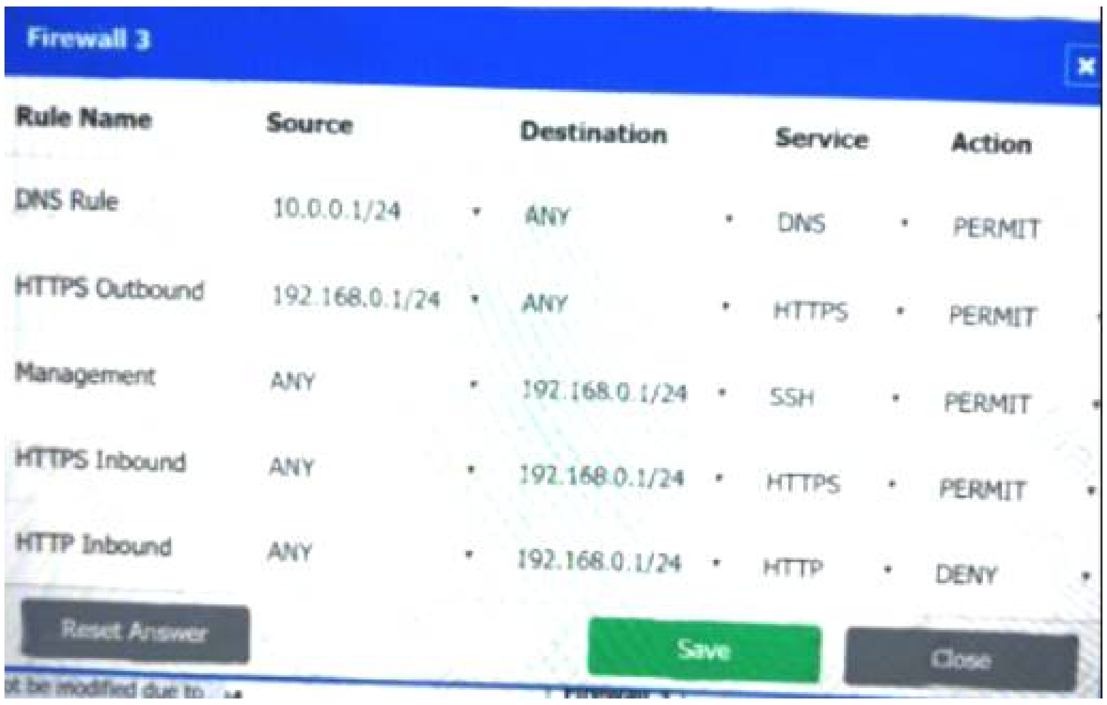

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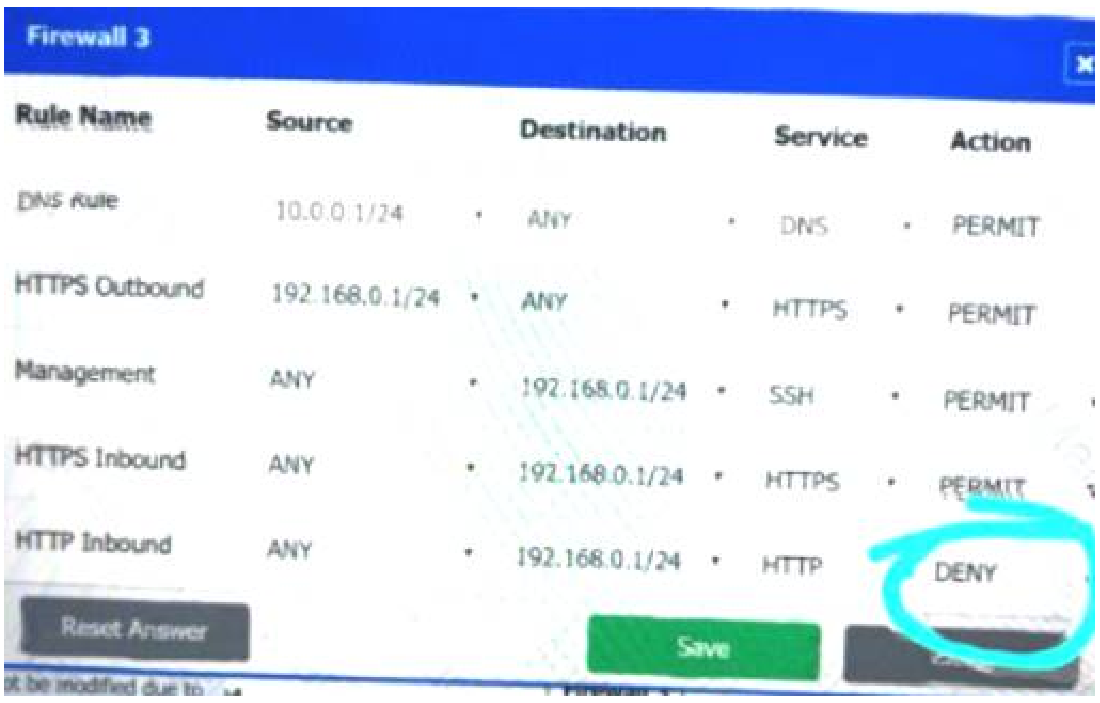

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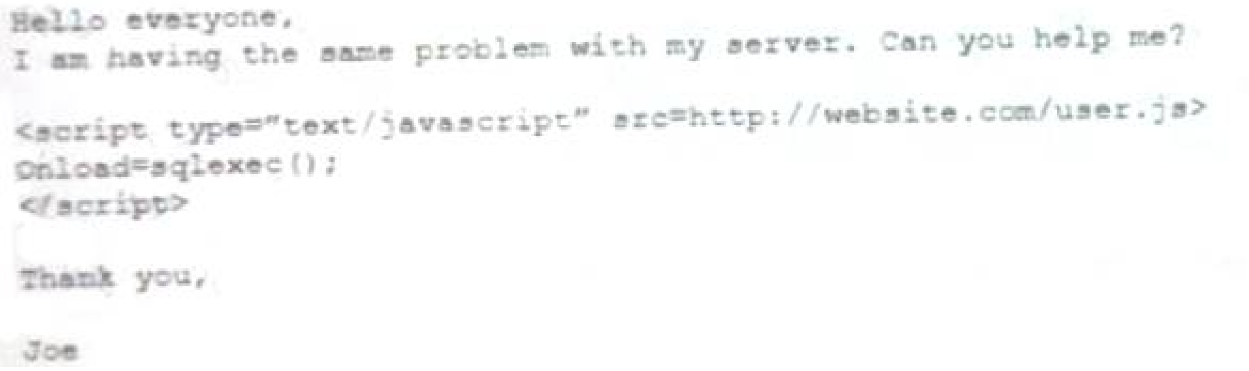
NEW QUESTION 239

An analyst visits an internet forum looking for information about a tool. The analyst finds a threat that appears to contain relevant information. One of the posts says the following:



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Hello everyone,
I am having the same problem with my server. Can you help me?

<script type="text/javascript" src=http://website.com/user.js>
Onload=sqlexec();
</script>

Thank you,

Joe
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Which of the following BEST describes the attack that was attempted against the forum readers?

A. SOU attack

B. DLL attack
C. XSS attack
D. API attack

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 242
A software developer needs to perform code-execution testing, black-box testing, and non-functional testing on a new product before its general release. Which of the following BEST describes the tasks the developer is conducting?

A. Verification
B. Validation
C. Normalization
D. Staging

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 247
Which of the following provides the BEST protection for sensitive information and data stored in cloud-based services but still allows for full functionality and searchability of data within the cloud-based services?

A. Data encryption
B. Data masking
C. Anonymization
D. Tokenization

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 248
An organization has implemented a policy requiring the use of conductive metal lockboxes for personal electronic devices outside of a secure research lab. Which of the following did the organization determine to be the GREATEST risk to intellectual property when creating this policy?

A. The theft of portable electronic devices
B. Geotagging in the metadata of images
C. Bluesnarfing of mobile devices
D. Data exfiltration over a mobile hotspot

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 250
In which of the following risk management strategies would cybersecurity insurance be used?

A. Transference
B. Avoidance
C. Acceptance
D. Mitigation

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 253
After reading a security bulletin, a network security manager is concerned that a malicious actor may have breached the network using the same software flaw. The exploit code is publicly available and has been reported as being used against other industries in the same vertical. Which of the following should the network security manager consult FIRST to determine a priority list for forensic review?

A. The vulnerability scan output
B. The IDS logs
C. The full packet capture data
D. The SIEM alerts

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 255
A retail executive recently accepted a job with a major competitor. The following week, a security analyst reviews the security logs and identifies successful logon attempts to access the departed executive's accounts. Which of the following security practices would have addressed the issue?

A. A non-disclosure agreement
B. Least privilege
C. An acceptable use policy
D. Ofboarding

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 256
An organization just experienced a major cyberattack modem. The attack was well coordinated sophisticated and highly skilled. Which of the following targeted the organization?

A. Shadow IT
B. An insider threat
C. A hacktivist
D. An advanced persistent threat

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 259
When selecting a technical solution for identity management, an architect chooses to go from an in-house to a third-party SaaS provider. Which of the following risk management strategies is this an example of?

A. Acceptance
B. Mitigation
C. Avoidance
D. Transference

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 264
Which of the following would be BEST to establish between organizations that have agreed cooperate and are engaged in early discussion to define the responsibilities of each party, but do not want to establish a contractually binding agreement?

A. An SLA
B. AnNDA
C. ABPA
D. AnMOU

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 265
The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of an insurance company received an email from Ann, the company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), requesting a transfer of $10,000 to an account. The email states Ann is on vacation and has lost her purse, containing cash and credit cards. Which of the following social-engineering techniques is the attacker using?

A. Phishing
B. Whaling
C. Typo squatting
D. Pharming

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 269
A website developer is working on a new e-commerce website and has asked an information security expert for the most appropriate way to store credit card numbers to create an easy reordering process. Which of the following methods would BEST accomplish this goal?

A. Salting the magnetic strip information
B. Encrypting the credit card information in transit.
C. Hashing the credit card numbers upon entry.
D. Tokenizing the credit cards in the database

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 271
Which of the following will provide the BEST physical security countermeasures to stop intruders? (Select TWO.)

A. Alarms
B. Signage
C. Lighting
D. Mantraps
E. Fencing
F. Sensors

Answer: DE

NEW QUESTION 276
A company is implementing MFA for all applications that store sensitive data. The IT manager wants MFA to be non-disruptive and user friendly. Which of the following technologies should the IT manager use when implementing MFA?

A. One-time passwords
B. Email tokens
C. Push notifications
D. Hardware authentication

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 277

A company recently transitioned to a strictly BYOD culture due to the cost of replacing lost or damaged corporate-owned mobile devices. Which of the following technologies would be BEST to balance the BYOD culture while also protecting the company's data?

A. Containerization
B. Geofencing
C. Full-disk encryption
D. Remote wipe

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 282
Which of the following BEST describes a security exploit for which a vendor patch is not readily available?

A. Integer overflow
B. Zero-day
C. End of life
D. Race condition

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 285
Which of the following types of controls is a turnstile?

A. Physical
B. Detective
C. Corrective
D. Technical

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 288
A company is adopting a BYOD policy and is looking for a comprehensive solution to protect company information on user devices. Which of the following solutions would BEST support the policy?

A. Mobile device management
B. Full-device encryption
C. Remote wipe
D. Biometrics

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 289
A company has determined that if its computer-based manufacturing is not functioning for 12 consecutive hours, it will lose more money that it costs to maintain the equipment. Which of the following must be less than 12 hours to maintain a positive total cost of ownership?

A. MTBF
B. RPO
C. RTO
D. MTTR

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 291
A user recently attended an exposition and received some digital promotional materials The user later noticed blue boxes popping up and disappearing on the computer, and reported receiving several spam emails, which the user did not open Which of the following is MOST likely the cause of the reported issue?

A. There was a drive-by download of malware
B. The user installed a cryptominer
C. The OS was corrupted
D. There was malicious code on the USB drive

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 292
A network administrator is setting up wireless access points in all the conference rooms and wants to authenticate device using PKI. Which of the following should the administrator configure?

A. A captive portal
B. PSK
C. 802.1X
D. WPS

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 295

A consultant is configuring a vulnerability scanner for a large, global organization in multiple countries. The consultant will be using a service account to scan systems with administrative privileges on a weekly basis, but there is a concern that hackers could gain access to account to the account and pivot through the global network. Which of the following would be BEST to help mitigate this concern?

A. Create consultant accounts for each region, each configured with push MFA notifications.
B. Create one global administrator account and enforce Kerberos authentication
C. Create different accounts for each regio
D. limit their logon times, and alert on risky logins
E. Create a guest account for each regio
F. remember the last ten passwords, and block password reuse

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 299
A security analyst discovers that a company username and password database was posted on an internet forum. The username and passwords are stored in plan text. Which of the following would mitigate the damage done by this type of data exfiltration in the future?

A. Create DLP controls that prevent documents from leaving the network
B. Implement salting and hashing
C. Configure the web content filter to block access to the forum.
D. Increase password complexity requirements

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 301
A company processes highly sensitive data and senior management wants to protect the sensitive data by utilizing classification labels. Which of the following access control schemes would be BEST for the company to implement?

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

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 305
A technician needs to prevent data loss in a laboratory. The laboratory is not connected to any external networks. Which of the following methods would BEST prevent the exfiltration of data? (Select TWO).

A. VPN
B. Drive encryption
C. Network firewall
D. File level encryption
E. USB blocker
F. MFA

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 306
A smart switch has the ability to monitor electrical levels and shut off power to a building in the event of power surge or other fault situation. The switch was installed on a wired network in a hospital and is monitored by the facilities department via a cloud application. The security administrator isolated the switch on a separate VLAN and set up a patch routine. Which of the following steps should also be taken to harden the smart switch?

A. Set up an air gap for the switch.
B. Change the default password for the switch.
C. Place the switch In a Faraday cage.
D. Install a cable lock on the switch

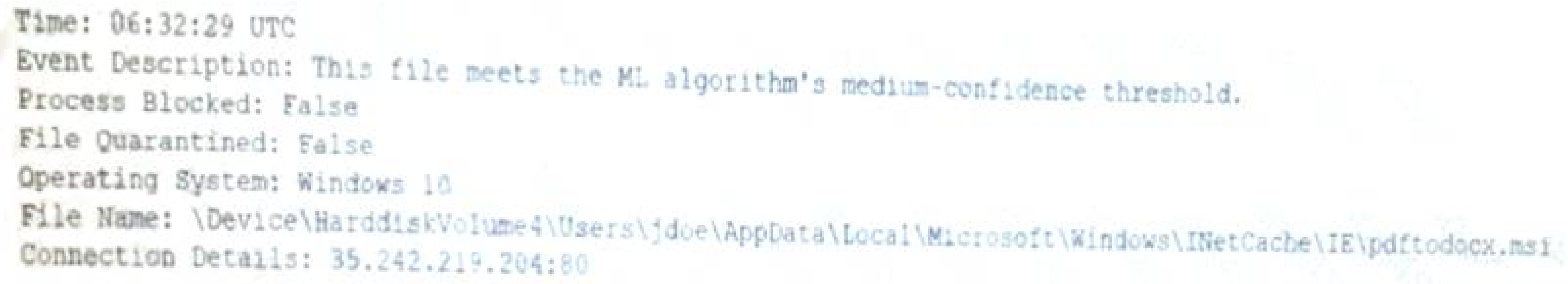
Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 308
An engineer wants to access sensitive data from a corporate-owned mobile device. Personal data is not allowed on the device. Which of the following MDM configurations must be considered when the engineer travels for business?

A. Screen locks
B. Application management
C. Geofencing
D. Containerization

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 313
An end user reports a computer has been acting slower than normal for a few weeks. During an investigation, an analyst determines the system is sending the user's email address and a ten-digit number to an IP address once a day. The only recent log entry regarding the user's computer is the following:



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Time: 06:32:29 UTC
Event Description: This file meets the ML algorithm's medium-confidence threshold.
Process Blocked: False
File Quarantined: False
Operating System: Windows 10
File Name: \Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\jdoe\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\IE\pdftodocx.msi
Connection Details: 35.242.219.204:80
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Which of the following is the MOST likely cause of the issue?

A. The end user purchased and installed a PUP from a web browser
B. A bot on the computer is brute forcing passwords against a website
C. A hacker is attempting to exfiltrate sensitive data
D. Ransomware is communicating with a command-and-control server.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 317
A security analyst is performing a forensic investigation compromised account credentials. Using the Event Viewer, the analyst able to detect the following message, ‘’Special privileges assigned to new login.’’ Several of these messages did not have a valid logon associated with the user before these privileges were assigned. Which of the following attacks is MOST likely being detected?

A. Pass-the-hash
B. Buffer overflow
C. Cross-site scripting
D. Session replay

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 319
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