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### NEW QUESTION 1

A security engineer needs to create an Amazon S3 bucket policy to grant least privilege read access to IAM user accounts that are named User=1, User2. and User3. These IAM user accounts are members of the AuthorizedPeople IAM group. The security engineer drafts the following S3 bucket policy:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Id": "AuthorizedPeoplePolicy",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "Actions-Authorized-People",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:GetObject"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::authorized-people-bucket/*"
    }
  ]
}
```

When the security engineer tries to add the policy to the S3 bucket, the following error message appears: "Missing required field Principal." The security engineer is adding a Principal element to the policy. The addition must provide read access to only User1. User2, and User3. Which solution meets these requirements?

A)

```
"Principal": {
  "AWS": [
    "arn:aws:iam::1234567890:user/User1",
    "arn:aws:iam::1234567890:user/User2",
    "arn:aws:iam::1234567890:user/User3"
  ]
}
```

B)

```
"Principal": {
  "AWS": [
    "arn:aws:iam::1234567890:root"
  ]
}
```

C)

```
"Principal": {
  "AWS": [
    "*"
  ]
}
```

D)

```
"Principal": {
  "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::1234567890:group/AuthorizedPeople"
}
```

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

**Answer: A**

### NEW QUESTION 2

A company is using Amazon Macie, AWS Firewall Manager, Amazon Inspector, and AWS Shield Advanced in its AWS account. The company wants to receive alerts if a DDoS attack occurs against the account.

Which solution will meet this requirement?

- A. Use Macie to detect an active DDoS even
- B. Create Amazon CloudWatch alarms that respond to Macie findings.
- C. Use Amazon Inspector to review resources and to invoke Amazon CloudWatch alarms for any resources that are vulnerable to DDoS attacks.
- D. Create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm that monitors Firewall Manager metrics for an active DDoS event.
- E. Create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm that monitors Shield Advanced metrics for an active DDoS event.

**Answer: D**

#### Explanation:

This answer is correct because AWS Shield Advanced is a service that provides comprehensive protection against DDoS attacks of any size or duration. It also provides metrics and reports on the DDoS attack vectors, duration, and size. You can create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm that monitors Shield Advanced metrics such as DDoSAttackBitsPerSecond, DDoSAttackPacketsPerSecond, and DDoSAttackRequestsPerSecond to receive alerts if a DDoS attack occurs against your account. For more information, see [Monitoring AWS Shield Advanced with Amazon CloudWatch and AWS Shield Advanced metrics and alarms](#).

### NEW QUESTION 3

A company stores sensitive documents in Amazon S3 by using server-side encryption with an IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) CMK. A new requirement

mandates that the CMK that is used for these documents can be used only for S3 actions.  
Which statement should the company add to the key policy to meet this requirement?

A)

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "kms:*",
  "Resource": "*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringNotEquals": {
      "kms:CallerAccount": "s3.amazonaws.com"
    }
  }
}
```

B)

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "s3:*",
  "Resource": "*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringNotEquals": {
      "kms:ViaService": "kms.*amazonaws.com"
    }
  }
}
```

A. Option A

B. Option B

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 4

A company hosts an end user application on AWS. Currently the company deploys the application on Amazon EC2 instances behind an Elastic Load Balancer. The company wants to configure end-to-end encryption between the Elastic Load Balancer and the EC2 instances.

Which solution will meet this requirement with the LEAST operational effort?

- A. Use Amazon issued AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) certificates on the EC2 instances and the Elastic Load Balancer to configure end-to-end encryption.
- B. Import a third-party SSL certificate to AWS Certificate Manager (ACM). Install the third-party certificate on the EC2 instances. Associate the ACM imported third-party certificate with the Elastic Load Balancer.
- C. Deploy AWS CloudHSM. Import a third-party certificate. Configure the EC2 instances and the Elastic Load Balancer to use the CloudHSM imported certificate.
- D. Import a third-party certificate bundle to AWS Certificate Manager (ACM). Install the third-party certificate on the EC2 instances. Associate the ACM imported third-party certificate with the Elastic Load Balancer.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

To configure end-to-end encryption between the Elastic Load Balancer and the EC2 instances with the least operational effort, the most appropriate solution would be to use Amazon issued AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) certificates on the EC2 instances and the Elastic Load Balancer to configure end-to-end encryption.

AWS Certificate Manager - Amazon Web Services : Elastic Load Balancing - Amazon Web

Services : Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud - Amazon Web Services : AWS Certificate Manager - Amazon Web Services

#### NEW QUESTION 5

Your company has just set up a new central server in a VPC. There is a requirement for other teams who have their servers located in different VPC's in the same region to connect to the central server. Which of the below options is best suited to achieve this requirement.

Please select:

- A. Set up VPC peering between the central server VPC and each of the teams VPCs.
- B. Set up IAM DirectConnect between the central server VPC and each of the teams VPCs.
- C. Set up an IPSec Tunnel between the central server VPC and each of the teams VPCs.
- D. None of the above options will work.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

A VPC peering connection is a networking connection between two VPCs that enables you to route traffic between them using private IPv4 addresses or IPv6 addresses. Instances in either VPC can communicate with each other as if they are within the same network. You can create a VPC peering connection between your own VPCs, or with a VPC in another IAM account within a single region.

Options B and C are invalid because you need to use VPC Peering. Option D is invalid because VPC Peering is available.

For more information on VPC Peering, please see the below link:

<http://docs.IAM.amazon.com/AmazonVPC/latest/UserGuide/vpc-peering.html>

The correct answer is: Set up VPC peering between the central server VPC and each of the teams VPCs. Submit your Feedback/Queries to our Experts

#### NEW QUESTION 6

A company hosts a public website on an Amazon EC2 instance. HTTPS traffic must be able to access the website. The company uses SSH for management of

the web server.

The website is on the subnet 10.0.1.0/24. The management subnet is 192.168.100.0/24. A security engineer must create a security group for the EC2 instance. Which combination of steps should the security engineer take to meet these requirements in the MOST secure manner? (Select TWO.)

- A. Allow port 22 from source 0.0.0.0/0.
- B. Allow port 443 from source 0.0.0.0/0.
- C. Allow port 22 from 192.168.100.0/24.
- D. Allow port 22 from 10.0.1.0/24.
- E. Allow port 443 from 10.0.1.0/24.

**Answer: BC**

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is B and C.

\* B. Allow port 443 from source 0.0.0.0/0.

This is correct because port 443 is used for HTTPS traffic, which must be able to access the website from any source IP address.

\* C. Allow port 22 from 192.168.100.0/24.

This is correct because port 22 is used for SSH, which is the management protocol for the web server. The management subnet is 192.168.100.0/24, so only this subnet should be allowed to access port 22.

\* A. Allow port 22 from source 0.0.0.0/0.

This is incorrect because it would allow anyone to access port 22, which is a security risk. SSH should be restricted to the management subnet only.

\* D. Allow port 22 from 10.0.1.0/24.

This is incorrect because it would allow the website subnet to access port 22, which is unnecessary and a security risk. SSH should be restricted to the management subnet only.

\* E. Allow port 443 from 10.0.1.0/24.

This is incorrect because it would limit the HTTPS traffic to the website subnet only, which defeats the purpose of having a public website.

**NEW QUESTION 7**

A company is using an AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) AWS owned key in its application to encrypt files in an AWS account The company's security team wants the ability to change to new key material for new files whenever a potential key breach occurs A security engineer must implement a solution that gives the security team the ability to change the key whenever the team wants to do so Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Create a new customer managed key Add a key rotation schedule to the key Invoke the key rotation schedule every time the security team requests a key change
- B. Create a new AWS managed key Add a key rotation schedule to the key Invoke the key rotation schedule every time the security team requests a key change
- C. Create a key alias Create a new customer managed key every time the security team requests a key change Associate the alias with the new key
- D. Create a key alias Create a new AWS managed key every time the security team requests a key change Associate the alias with the new key

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

To meet the requirement of changing the key material for new files whenever a potential key breach occurs, the most appropriate solution would be to create a new customer managed key, add a key rotation schedule to the key, and invoke the key rotation schedule every time the security team requests a key change.

References: : Rotating AWS KMS keys - AWS Key Management Service

**NEW QUESTION 8**

A Security Engineer creates an Amazon S3 bucket policy that denies access to all users. A few days later, the Security Engineer adds an additional statement to the bucket policy to allow read-only access to one other employee. Even after updating the policy, the employee still receives an access denied message. What is the likely cause of this access denial?

- A. The ACL in the bucket needs to be updated
- B. The IAM policy does not allow the user to access the bucket
- C. It takes a few minutes for a bucket policy to take effect
- D. The allow permission is being overridden by the deny

**Answer: D**

**NEW QUESTION 9**

A company has AWS accounts in an organization in AWS Organizations. The organization includes a dedicated security account.

All AWS account activity across all member accounts must be logged and reported to the dedicated security account. The company must retain all the activity logs in a secure storage location within the dedicated security account for 2 years. No changes or deletions of the logs are allowed.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead? (Select TWO.)

- A. In the dedicated security account, create an Amazon S3 bucket
- B. Configure S3 Object Lock in compliance mode and a retention period of 2 years on the S3 bucket
- C. Set the bucket policy to allow the organization's management account to write to the S3 bucket.
- D. In the dedicated security account, create an Amazon S3 bucket
- E. Configure S3 Object Lock in compliance mode and a retention period of 2 years on the S3 bucket
- F. Set the bucket policy to allow the organization's member accounts to write to the S3 bucket.
- G. In the dedicated security account, create an Amazon S3 bucket that has an S3 Lifecycle configuration that expires objects after 2 year
- H. Set the bucket policy to allow the organization's member accounts to write to the S3 bucket.
- I. Create an AWS Cloud Trail trail for the organization
- J. Configure logs to be delivered to the logging Amazon S3 bucket in the dedicated security account.
- K. Turn on AWS CloudTrail in each account
- L. Configure logs to be delivered to an Amazon S3 bucket that is created in the organization's management account
- M. Forward the logs to the S3 bucket in the dedicated security account by using AWS Lambda and Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose.

**Answer: BD**



**Explanation:**

The correct answer is B and D. In the dedicated security account, create an Amazon S3 bucket. Configure S3 Object Lock in compliance mode and a retention period of 2 years on the S3 bucket. Set the bucket policy to allow the organization's member accounts to write to the S3 bucket. Create an AWS CloudTrail trail for the organization. Configure logs to be delivered to the logging Amazon S3 bucket in the dedicated security account.

According to the AWS documentation, AWS CloudTrail is a service that enables governance, compliance, operational auditing, and risk auditing of your AWS account. With CloudTrail, you can log, continuously monitor, and retain account activity related to actions across your AWS infrastructure. CloudTrail provides event history of your AWS account activity, including actions taken through the AWS Management Console, AWS SDKs, command line tools, and other AWS services.

To use CloudTrail 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 CloudTrail as a service principal for AWS Organizations, which lets you create an organization trail that applies to all accounts in your organization. An organization trail logs events for all AWS Regions and delivers the log files to an S3 bucket that you specify.

To create an organization trail, you need to use an administrator account, such as the organization's management account or a delegated administrator account. You can then configure the trail to deliver logs to an S3 bucket in the dedicated security account. This will ensure that all account activity across all member accounts and regions is logged and reported to the security account.

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 CloudTrail logs, you need to create an S3 bucket in the dedicated security account that will store the logs from the organization trail. You can then configure S3 Object Lock on the bucket to prevent objects from being deleted or overwritten for a fixed amount of time or indefinitely. You can also enable compliance mode on the bucket, which prevents any user, including the root user in your account, from deleting or modifying a locked object until it reaches its retention date.

To set a retention period of 2 years on the S3 bucket, you need to create a default retention configuration for the bucket that specifies a retention mode (either governance or compliance) and a retention period (either a number of days or a date). You can then set the bucket policy to allow the organization's member accounts to write to the S3 bucket. This will ensure that all logs are retained in a secure storage location within the security account for 2 years and no changes or deletions are allowed.

Option A is incorrect because setting the bucket policy to allow the organization's management account to write to the S3 bucket is not sufficient, as it will not grant access to the other member accounts in the organization.

Option C is incorrect because using an S3 Lifecycle configuration that expires objects after 2 years is not secure, as it will allow users to delete or modify objects before they expire.

Option E is incorrect because using Lambda and Kinesis Data Firehose to forward logs from one S3 bucket to another is not necessary, as CloudTrail can directly deliver logs to an S3 bucket in another account. It also introduces additional operational overhead and complexity.

**NEW QUESTION 10**

A corporation is preparing to acquire several companies. A Security Engineer must design a solution to ensure that newly acquired IAM accounts follow the corporation's security best practices. The solution should monitor each Amazon S3 bucket for unrestricted public write access and use IAM managed services. What should the Security Engineer do to meet these requirements?

- A. Configure Amazon Macie to continuously check the configuration of all S3 buckets.
- B. Enable IAM Config to check the configuration of each S3 bucket.
- C. Set up IAM Systems Manager to monitor S3 bucket policies for public write access.
- D. Configure an Amazon EC2 instance to have an IAM role and a cron job that checks the status of all S3 buckets.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

because this is a solution that can monitor each S3 bucket for unrestricted public write access and use IAM managed services. S3 is a service that provides object storage in the cloud. Systems Manager is a service that helps you automate and manage your AWS resources. You can use Systems Manager to monitor S3 bucket policies for public write access by using a State Manager association that runs a predefined document called AWS-FindS3BucketWithPublicWriteAccess. This document checks each S3 bucket in an account and reports any bucket that has public write access enabled. The other options are either not suitable or not feasible for meeting the requirements.

**NEW QUESTION 10**

A company has several workloads running on AWS. Employees are required to authenticate using on-premises ADFS and SSO to access the AWS Management Console. Developers migrated an existing legacy web application to an Amazon EC2 instance. Employees need to access this application from anywhere on the internet, but currently, there is no authentication system built into the application.

How should the Security Engineer implement employee-only access to this system without changing the application?

- A. Place the application behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB). Use Amazon Cognito as authentication for the AL
- B. Define a SAML-based Amazon Cognito user pool and connect it to ADFS.
- C. Implement AWS SSO in the master account and link it to ADFS as an identity provide
- D. Define the EC2 instance as a managed resource, then apply an IAM policy on the resource.
- E. Define an Amazon Cognito identity pool, then install the connector on the Active Directory serve
- F. Use the Amazon Cognito SDK on the application instance to authenticate the employees using their Active Directory user names and passwords.
- G. Create an AWS Lambda custom authorizer as the authenticator for a reverse proxy on Amazon EC2. Ensure the security group on Amazon EC2 only allows access from the Lambda function.

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/elasticloadbalancing/latest/application/listener-authenticate-users.html>

**NEW QUESTION 11**

A development team is attempting to encrypt and decode a secure string parameter from the IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store using an IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) CMK. However, each attempt results in an error message being sent to the development team.

Which CMK-related problems possibly account for the error? (Select two.)

- A. The CMK is used in the attempt does not exist.
- B. The CMK is used in the attempt needs to be rotated.
- C. The CMK is used in the attempt is using the CMK's key ID instead of the CMK ARN.

- D. The CMK is used in the attempt is not enabled.
- E. The CMK is used in the attempt is using an alias.

**Answer:** AD

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.IAM.amazon.com/kms/latest/developerguide/services-parameter-store.html#parameter-store-cmk-fa>

**NEW QUESTION 14**

A security team is developing an application on an Amazon EC2 instance to get objects from an Amazon S3 bucket. All objects in the S3 bucket are encrypted with an AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) customer managed key. All network traffic for requests that are made within the VPC is restricted to the AWS infrastructure. This traffic does not traverse the public internet.

The security team is unable to get objects from the S3 bucket Which factors could cause this issue? (Select THREE.)

- A. The IAM instance profile that is attached to the EC2 instance does not allow the s3 ListBucket action to the S3: bucket in the AWS accounts.
- B. The IAM instance profile that is attached to the EC2 instance does not allow the s3 ListParts action to the S3; bucket in the AWS accounts.
- C. The KMS key policy that encrypts the object in the S3 bucket does not allow the kms; ListKeys action to the EC2 instance profile ARN.
- D. The KMS key policy that encrypts the object in the S3 bucket does not allow the kms Decrypt action to the EC2 instance profile ARN.
- E. The security group that is attached to the EC2 instance is missing an outbound rule to the S3 managed prefix list over port 443.
- F. The security group that is attached to the EC2 instance is missing an inbound rule from the S3 managed prefix list over port 443.

**Answer:** ADE

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/userguide/security-group-rules.html>

To get objects from an S3 bucket that are encrypted with a KMS customer managed key, the security team needs to have the following factors in place:

- The IAM instance profile that is attached to the EC2 instance must allow the s3:GetObject action to the S3 bucket or object in the AWS account. This permission is required to read the object from S3. Option A is incorrect because it specifies the s3:ListBucket action, which is only required to list the objects in the bucket, not to get them.
- The KMS key policy that encrypts the object in the S3 bucket must allow the kms:Decrypt action to the EC2 instance profile ARN. This permission is required to decrypt the object using the KMS key. Option D is correct.
- The security group that is attached to the EC2 instance must have an outbound rule to the S3 managed prefix list over port 443. This rule is required to allow HTTPS traffic from the EC2 instance to S3 within the AWS infrastructure. Option E is correct. Option B is incorrect because it specifies the s3:ListParts action, which is only required for multipart uploads, not for getting objects. Option C is incorrect because it specifies the kms:ListKeys action, which is not required for getting objects. Option F is incorrect because it specifies an inbound rule from the S3 managed prefix list, which is not required for getting objects. Verified References:

➤ <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/kms/latest/developerguide/control-access.html>

➤ <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/userguide/vpc-endpoints-s3.html>

**NEW QUESTION 19**

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 VP
- B. Use the CloudWatch agent to stream the DNS query logs to an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log grou
- C. Use CloudWatch metric filters to automatically generate metrics that list the most common ONS queries.
- D. Install a BIND DNS server in the VP
- 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 VP
- G. Stream the flow logs to an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log grou
- 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 loggin
- J. Add an Amazon CloudWatch Logs log group as the destinatio
- 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 20**

A company is attempting to conduct forensic analysis on an Amazon EC2 instance, but the company is unable to connect to the instance by using AWS Systems Manager Session Manager. The company has installed AWS Systems Manager Agent (SSM Agent) on the EC2 instance.

The EC2 instance is in a subnet in a VPC that does not have an internet gateway attached. The company has associated a security group with the EC2 instance. The security group does not have inbound or outbound rules. The subnet's network ACL allows all inbound and outbound traffic.

Which combination of actions will allow the company to conduct forensic analysis on the EC2 instance without compromising forensic data? (Select THREE.)

- A. Update the EC2 instance security group to add a rule that allows outbound traffic on port 443 for 0.0.0.0/0.
- B. Update the EC2 instance security group to add a rule that allows inbound traffic on port 443 to the VPC's CIDR range.
- C. Create an EC2 key pai
- D. Associate the key pair with the EC2 instance.
- E. Create a VPC interface endpoint for Systems Manager in the VPC where the EC2 instance is located.
- F. Attach a security group to the VPC interface endpoint
- G. Allow inbound traffic on port 443 to the VPC's CIDR range.
- H. Create a VPC interface endpoint for the EC2 instance in the VPC where the EC2 instance is located.

**Answer:** BCF

#### NEW QUESTION 24

A security engineer must troubleshoot an administrator's inability to make an existing Amazon S3 bucket public in an account that is part of an organization n IAM Organizations. The administrator switched the role from the master account to a member account and then attempted to make one S3 bucket public. This action was immediately denied

Which actions should the security engineer take to troubleshoot the permissions issue? (Select TWO.)

- A. Review the cross-account role permissions and the S3 bucket policy Verify that the Amazon S3 block public access option in the member account is deactivated.
- B. Review the role permissions m the master account and ensure it has sufficient privileges to perform S3 operations
- C. Filter IAM CloudTrail logs for the master account to find the original deny event and update the cross-account role m the member account accordingly Verify that the Amazon S3 block public access option in the master account is deactivated.
- D. Evaluate the SCPs covering the member account and the permissions boundary of the role in the member account for missing permissions and explicit denies.
- E. Ensure the S3 bucket policy explicitly allows the s3 PutBucketPublicAccess action for the role m the member account

**Answer: DE**

#### Explanation:

- A is incorrect because reviewing the cross-account role permissions and the S3 bucket policy is not enough to troubleshoot the permissions issue. You also need to verify that the Amazon S3 block public access option in the member account is deactivated, as well as the permissions boundary and the SCPs of the role in the member account.
- D is correct because evaluating the SCPs and the permissions boundary of the role in the member account can help you identify any missing permissions or explicit denies that could prevent the administrator from making the S3 bucket public.
- E is correct because ensuring that the S3 bucket policy explicitly allows the s3 PutBucketPublicAccess action for the role in the member account can help you override any block public access settings that could prevent the administrator from making the S3 bucket public.

#### NEW QUESTION 25

A company uses AWS Organizations to manage a small number of AWS accounts. However, the company plans to add 1 000 more accounts soon. The company allows only a centralized security team to create IAM roles for all AWS accounts and teams. Application teams submit requests for IAM roles to the security team. The security team has a backlog of IAM role requests and cannot review and provision the IAM roles quickly.

The security team must create a process that will allow application teams to provision their own IAM roles. The process must also limit the scope of IAM roles and prevent privilege escalation.

Which solution will meet these requirements with the LEAST operational overhead?

- A. Create an IAM group for each application tea
- B. Associate policies with each IAM grou
- C. Provision IAM users for each application team membe
- D. Add the new IAM users to the appropriate IAM group by using role-based access control (RBAC).
- E. Delegate application team leads to provision IAM rotes for each tea
- F. Conduct a quarterly review of the IAM rotes the team leads have provisione
- G. Ensure that the application team leads have the appropriate training to review IAM roles.
- H. Put each AWS account in its own O
- I. Add an SCP to each OU to grant access to only the AWS services that the teams plan to us
- J. Include conditions tn the AWS account of each team.
- K. Create an SCP and a permissions boundary for IAM role
- L. Add the SCP to the root OU so that only roles that have the permissions boundary attached can create any new IAM roles.

**Answer: D**

#### Explanation:

To create a process that will allow application teams to provision their own IAM roles, while limiting the scope of IAM roles and preventing privilege escalation, the following steps are required:

- Create a service control policy (SCP) that defines the maximum permissions that can be granted to any IAM role in the organization. An SCP is a type of policy that you can use with AWS Organizations to manage permissions for all accounts in your organization. SCPs restrict permissions for entities in member accounts, including each AWS account root user, IAM users, and roles. For more information, see Service control policies overview.
- Create a permissions boundary for IAM roles that matches the SCP. A permissions boundary is an advanced feature for using a managed policy to set the maximum permissions that an identity-based policy can grant to an IAM entity. A permissions boundary allows an entity to perform only the actions that are allowed by both its identity-based policies and its permissions boundaries. For more information, see Permissions boundaries for IAM entities.

- Add the SCP to the root organizational unit (OU) so that it applies to all accounts in the organization.

This will ensure that no IAM role can exceed the permissions defined by the SCP, regardless of how it is created or modified.

- Instruct the application teams to attach the permissions boundary to any IAM role they create. This will prevent them from creating IAM roles that can escalate their own privileges or access resources they are not authorized to access.

This solution will meet the requirements with the least operational overhead, as it leverages AWS Organizations and IAM features to delegate and limit IAM role creation without requiring manual reviews or approvals.

The other options are incorrect because they either do not allow application teams to provision their own IAM roles (A), do not limit the scope of IAM roles or prevent privilege escalation (B), or do not take advantage of managed services whenever possible ©.

Verified References:

- [https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access\\_policies\\_boundaries.html](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access_policies_boundaries.html)

#### NEW QUESTION 26

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 ForSecurrtty Hub service-linked rote 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 27**

Your CTO is very worried about the security of your IAM account. How best can you prevent hackers from completely hijacking your account? Please select:

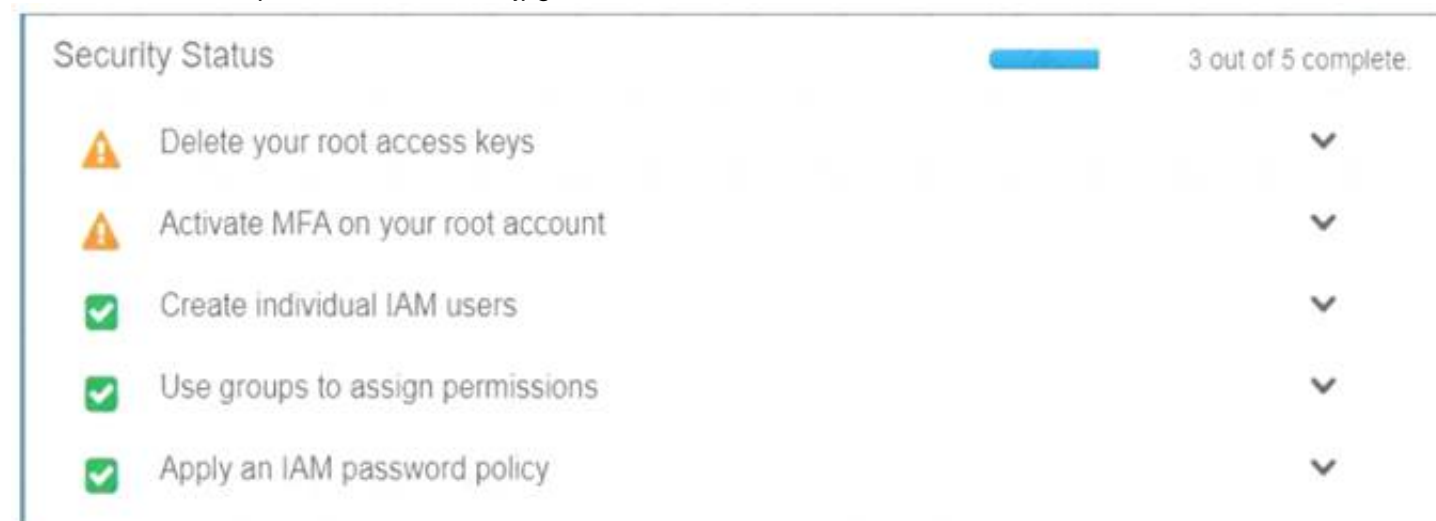
- A. Use short but complex password on the root account and any administrators.
- B. Use IAM Geo-Lock and disallow anyone from logging in except for in your city.
- C. Use MFA on all users and accounts, especially on the root account.
- D. Don't write down or remember the root account password after creating the IAM account.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

Multi-factor authentication can add one more layer of security to your IAM account Even when you go to your Security Credentials dashboard one of the items is to enable MFA on your root account

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Option A is invalid because you need to have a good password policy Option B is invalid because there is no IAM Geo-Lock Option D is invalid because this is not a recommended practices For more information on MFA, please visit the below URL

[http://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id\\_credentials\\_mfa.html](http://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_credentials_mfa.html)

The correct answer is: Use MFA on all users and accounts, especially on the root account. Submit your Feedback/Queries to our Experts

**NEW QUESTION 31**

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 Hu
- 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 Hu
- 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 strea
- 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 strea
- 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 schem
- J. Use AWS Glue Data Catalog to query the data and create views to flatten nested attribute
- K. Build Amazon QuickSight dashboards by using Amazon Athena.
- L. Partition the Amazon S3 dat
- M. Use AWS Glue to crawl the S3 bucket and build the schem

- N. Use Amazon Athena to query the data and create views to flatten nested attribute
- 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 34**

A security team is working on a solution that will use Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events) to monitor new Amazon S3 objects. The solution will monitor for public access and for changes to any S3 bucket policy or setting that result in public access. The security team configures EventBridge to watch for specific API calls that are logged from AWS CloudTrail. EventBridge has an action to send an email notification through Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) to the security team immediately with details of the API call.

Specifically, the security team wants EventBridge to watch for the s3:PutObjectAcl, s3:DeleteBucketPolicy, and s3:PutBucketPolicy API invocation logs from CloudTrail. While developing the solution in a single account, the security team discovers that the s3:PutObjectAcl API call does not invoke an EventBridge event. However, the s3:DeleteBucketPolicy API call and the s3:PutBucketPolicy API call do invoke an event.

The security team has enabled CloudTrail for AWS management events with a basic configuration in the AWS Region in which EventBridge is being tested.

Verification of the EventBridge event pattern indicates that the pattern is set up correctly. The security team must implement a solution so that the s3:PutObjectAcl API call will invoke an EventBridge event. The solution must not generate false notifications.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Modify the EventBridge event pattern by selecting Amazon S3. Select All Events as the event type.
- B. Modify the EventBridge event pattern by selecting Amazon S3. Select Bucket Level Operations as the event type.
- C. Enable CloudTrail Insights to identify unusual API activity.
- D. Enable CloudTrail to monitor data events for read and write operations to S3 buckets.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is D. Enable CloudTrail to monitor data events for read and write operations to S3 buckets. According to the AWS documentation<sup>1</sup>, CloudTrail data events are the resource operations performed on or within a resource. These are also known as data plane operations. Data events are often high-volume activities. For example, Amazon S3 object-level API activity (such as GetObject, DeleteObject, and PutObject) is a data event.

By default, trails do not log data events. To record CloudTrail data events, you must explicitly add the supported resources or resource types for which you want to collect activity. For more information, see Logging data events in the Amazon S3 User Guide<sup>2</sup>.

In this case, the security team wants EventBridge to watch for the s3:PutObjectAcl API invocation logs from CloudTrail. This API uses the acl subresource to set the access control list (ACL) permissions for a new or existing object in an S3 bucket<sup>3</sup>. This is a data event that affects the S3 object resource type. Therefore, the security team must enable CloudTrail to monitor data events for read and write operations to S3 buckets in order to invoke an EventBridge event for this API call.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. Modifying the EventBridge event pattern by selecting Amazon S3 and All Events as the event type will not capture the s3:PutObjectAcl API call, because this is a data event and not a management event. Management events provide information about management operations that are performed on resources in your AWS account. These are also known as control plane operations<sup>4</sup>.
- B. Modifying the EventBridge event pattern by selecting Amazon S3 and Bucket Level Operations as the event type will not capture the s3:PutObjectAcl API call, because this is a data event that affects the S3 object resource type and not the S3 bucket resource type. Bucket level operations are management events that affect the configuration or metadata of an S3 bucket<sup>5</sup>.
- C. Enabling CloudTrail Insights to identify unusual API activity will not help the security team monitor new S3 objects or changes to any S3 bucket policy or setting that result in public access. CloudTrail Insights helps AWS users identify and respond to unusual activity associated with API calls and API error rates by continuously analyzing CloudTrail management events<sup>6</sup>. It does not analyze data events or generate EventBridge events.

References:

1: CloudTrail log event reference - AWS CloudTrail 2: Logging data events - AWS CloudTrail 3: PutObjectAcl - Amazon Simple Storage Service 4: [Logging management events - AWS CloudTrail] 5: [Amazon S3 Event Types - Amazon Simple Storage Service] 6: Logging Insights events for trails - AWS CloudTrail

#### NEW QUESTION 37

A Network Load Balancer (NLB) target instance is not entering the InService state. A security engineer determines that health checks are failing. Which factors could cause the health check failures? (Select THREE.)

- A. The target instance's security group does not allow traffic from the NLB.
- B. The target instance's security group is not attached to the NLB.
- C. The NLB's security group is not attached to the target instance.
- D. The target instance's subnet network ACL does not allow traffic from the NLB.
- E. The target instance's security group is not using IP addresses to allow traffic from the NLB.
- F. The target network ACL is not attached to the NLB.

**Answer:** ACD

#### NEW QUESTION 41

A security engineer needs to build a solution to turn IAM CloudTrail back on in multiple IAM Regions in case it is ever turned off. What is the MOST efficient way to implement this solution?

- A. Use IAM Config with a managed rule to trigger the IAM-EnableCloudTrail remediation.
- B. Create an Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events) event with a cloudtrail.amazonaws.com event source and a StartLogging event name to trigger an IAM Lambda function to call the StartLogging API.
- C. Create an Amazon CloudWatch alarm with a cloudtrail.amazonaws.com event source and a StopLogging event name to trigger an IAM Lambda function to call the StartLogging API.
- D. Monitor IAM Trusted Advisor to ensure CloudTrail logging is enabled.

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 45

A company is implementing a new application in a new IAM account. A VPC and subnets have been created for the application. The application has been peered to an existing VPC in another account in the same IAM Region for database access. Amazon EC2 instances will regularly be created and terminated in the application VPC, but only some of them will need access to the databases in the peered VPC over TCP port 1521. A security engineer must ensure that only the EC2 instances that need access to the databases can access them through the network. How can the security engineer implement this solution?

- A. Create a new security group in the database VPC and create an inbound rule that allows all traffic from the IP address range of the application VP
- B. Add a new network ACL rule on the database subnet
- C. Configure the rule to TCP port 1521 from the IP address range of the application VP
- D. Attach the new security group to the database instances that the application instances need to access.
- E. Create a new security group in the application VPC with an inbound rule that allows the IP address range of the database VPC over TCP port 1521. Create a new security group in the database VPC with an inbound rule that allows the IP address range of the application VPC over port 1521. Attach the new security group to the database instances and the application instances that need database access.
- F. Create a new security group in the application VPC with no inbound rule
- G. Create a new security group in the database VPC with an inbound rule that allows TCP port 1521 from the new application security group in the application VP
- H. Attach the application security group to the application instances that need database access, and attach the database security group to the database instances.
- I. Create a new security group in the application VPC with an inbound rule that allows the IP address range of the database VPC over TCP port 1521. Add a new network ACL rule on the database subnet
- J. Configure the rule to allow all traffic from the IP address range of the application VP
- K. Attach the new security group to the application instances that need database access.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 49

A developer is building a serverless application hosted on AWS that uses Amazon Redshift as a data store. The application has separate modules for readwrite 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 readwrite
- 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:** A



**Explanation:**

To grant appropriate access to separate modules for read-write and read-only functionality in a serverless application hosted on AWS that uses Amazon Redshift as a data store, a security engineer should configure cluster security groups for each application module to control access to database users that are required for read-only and readwrite, and configure an IAM policy for each module specifying the ARN of an IAM user that allows the GetClusterCredentials API call.

References: : Amazon Redshift - Amazon Web Services : Amazon Redshift - Amazon Web Services : Identity and Access Management - AWS Management Console : AWS Identity and Access Management - AWS Management Console

**NEW QUESTION 51**

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 documentation<sup>1</sup>, 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 55**

A company deployed Amazon GuardDuty in the us-east-1 Region. The company wants all DNS logs that relate to the company's Amazon EC2 instances to be inspected. What should a security engineer do to ensure that the EC2 instances are logged?

- A. Use IPv6 addresses that are configured for hostnames.
- B. Configure external DNS resolvers as internal resolvers that are visible only to IAM.
- C. Use IAM DNS resolvers for all EC2 instances.
- D. Configure a third-party DNS resolver with logging for all EC2 instances.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

To ensure that the EC2 instances are logged, the security engineer should do the following:

- Use AWS DNS resolvers for all EC2 instances. This allows the security engineer to use Amazon-provided DNS servers that resolve public DNS hostnames to private IP addresses within their VPC, and that log DNS queries in Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

**NEW QUESTION 58**

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 63**

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 64**

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 69

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:

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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 70

A security engineer is defining the controls required to protect the IAM account root user credentials in an IAM Organizations hierarchy. The controls should also limit the impact in case these credentials have been compromised.

Which combination of controls should the security engineer propose? (Select THREE.)

A)

Apply the following SCP:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "GRRESTRICTROOTUSER",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "*",
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalArn": [
            "arn:aws:iam::*:root"
          ]
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

B)

Apply the following SCP:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "GRRESTRICTROOTUSER",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Principal": "arn:aws:iam::*:root",
      "Action": "*",
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

C) Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) for the root user.

D) Set a strong randomized password and store it in a secure location.

E) Create an access key ID and secret access key, and store them in a secure location.

F) Apply the following permissions boundary to the root user:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "GRRESTRICTROOTUSER",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "*",
      "Resource": [
        "*"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalArn": [
            "arn:aws:iam::*:root"
          ]
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

A. Option A

B. Option B

C. Option C

D. Option D

E. Option E

F. Option F

**Answer: ACE**

#### NEW QUESTION 74

A security engineer has enabled IAM Security Hub in their IAM account, and has enabled the Center for internet Security (CIS) IAM Foundations compliance standard. No evaluation results on compliance are returned in the Security Hub console after several hours. The engineer wants to ensure that Security Hub can evaluate their resources for CIS IAM Foundations compliance.

Which steps should the security engineer take to meet these requirements?

- A. Add full Amazon Inspector IAM permissions to the Security Hub service role to allow it to perform the CIS compliance evaluation
- B. Ensure that IAM Trusted Advisor Is enabled in the account and that the Security Hub service role has permissions to retrieve the Trusted Advisor security-related recommended actions
- C. Ensure that IAM Config
- D. is enabled in the account, and that the required IAM Config rules have been created for the CIS compliance evaluation
- E. Ensure that the correct trail in IAM CloudTrail has been configured for monitoring by Security Hub and that the Security Hub service role has permissions to perform the GetObject operation on CloudTrails Amazon S3 bucket

**Answer: C**

#### Explanation:

To ensure that Security Hub can evaluate their resources for CIS AWS Foundations compliance, the security engineer should do the following:

- Ensure that AWS Config is enabled in the account. This is a service that enables continuous assessment and audit of your AWS resources for compliance.
- Ensure that the required AWS Config rules have been created for the CIS compliance evaluation. These are rules that represent your desired configuration settings for specific AWS resources or for an entire AWS account.

#### NEW QUESTION 78

A Security Engineer is building a Java application that is running on Amazon EC2. The application communicates with an Amazon RDS instance and authenticates with a user name and password.

Which combination of steps can the Engineer take to protect the credentials and minimize downtime when the credentials are rotated? (Choose two.)

- A. Have a Database Administrator encrypt the credentials and store the ciphertext in Amazon S3. Grant permission to the instance role associated with the EC2 instance to read the object and decrypt the ciphertext.
- B. Configure a scheduled job that updates the credential in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store and notifies the Engineer that the application needs to be restarted.
- C. Configure automatic rotation of credentials in AWS Secrets Manager.
- D. Store the credential in an encrypted string parameter in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Stor
- E. Grant permission to the instance role associated with the EC2 instance to access the parameter and the AWS KMS key that is used to encrypt it.
- F. Configure the Java application to catch a connection failure and make a call to AWS Secrets Manager to retrieve updated credentials when the password is rotate
- G. Grant permission to the instance role associated with the EC2 instance to access Secrets Manager.

**Answer: CE**

#### Explanation:

AWS Secrets Manager is a service that helps you manage, retrieve, and rotate secrets such as database credentials, API keys, and other sensitive information. By configuring automatic rotation of credentials in AWS Secrets Manager, you can ensure that your secrets are changed regularly and securely, without requiring manual intervention or application downtime. You can also specify the rotation frequency and the rotation function that performs the logic of changing the credentials on the database and updating the secret in Secrets Manager<sup>1</sup>.

\* E. Configure the Java application to catch a connection failure and make a call to AWS Secrets Manager to retrieve updated credentials when the password is rotated. Grant permission to the instance role associated with the EC2 instance to access Secrets Manager.

By configuring the Java application to catch a connection failure and make a call to AWS Secrets Manager to retrieve updated credentials, you can avoid hard-coding the credentials in your application code or configuration files. This way, your application can dynamically obtain the latest credentials from Secrets Manager whenever the password is rotated, without needing to restart or redeploy the application. To enable this, you need to grant permission to the instance role associated with the EC2 instance to access Secrets Manager using IAM policies<sup>2</sup>. You can also use the AWS SDK for Java to integrate your application with Secrets Manager<sup>3</sup>.

#### NEW QUESTION 81

A company needs a security engineer to implement a scalable solution for multi-account authentication and authorization. The solution should not introduce additional user-managed architectural components. Native IAM features should be used as much as possible The security engineer has set up IAM Organizations w1th all features activated and IAM SSO enabled.

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

- A. Use AD Connector to create users and groups for all employees that require access to IAM accounts. Assign AD Connector groups to IAM accounts and link to the IAM roles in accordance with the employees' job functions and access requirements Instruct employees to access IAM accounts by using the IAM Directory Service user portal.
- B. Use an IAM SSO default directory to create users and groups for all employees that require access to IAM account
- C. Assign groups to IAM accounts and link to permission sets in accordance with the employees' job functions and access requirement
- D. Instruct employees to access IAM accounts by using the IAM SSO user portal.
- E. Use an IAM SSO default directory to create users and groups for all employees that require access to IAM account
- F. Link IAM SSO groups to the IAM users present in all accounts to inherit existing permission
- G. Instruct employees to access IAM accounts by using the IAM SSO user portal.
- H. Use IAM Directory Service tor Microsoft Active Directory to create users and groups for all employees that require access to IAM accounts Enable IAM Management Console access in the created directory and specify IAM SSO as a source cl information tor integrated accounts and permission set
- I. Instruct employees to access IAM accounts by using the IAM Directory Service user portal.

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 83

A company is undergoing a layer 3 and layer 4 DDoS attack on its web servers running on IAM.

Which combination of IAM services and features will provide protection in this scenario? (Select THREE).

- A. Amazon Route 53



- B. IAM Certificate Manager (ACM)
- C. Amazon S3
- D. IAM Shield
- E. Elastic Load Balancer
- F. Amazon GuardDuty

**Answer:** DEF

#### NEW QUESTION 85

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 89

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 91

A company is building an application on IAM 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 IAM 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 the Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volume
- H. Store the database credentials in IAM 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 IAM Secrets Manager with automatic rotation
- M. Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database.
- N. Set up an IAM CloudHSM cluster with IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) to store KMS keys. Set up Amazon RDS encryption using IAM KMS to encrypt the databases
- O. Store database credentials in the IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store with automatic rotation
- P. Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

To protect the sensitive data against any data breach and minimize management overhead, the security engineer should recommend the following solution:

- Enable Amazon RDS encryption to encrypt the database and snapshots. This allows the security engineer to use AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) to encrypt data at rest for the database and any backups or replicas.
- Enable Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) encryption on Amazon EC2 instances. This allows the security engineer to use AWS KMS to encrypt data at rest for the EC2 instances and any snapshots or volumes.
- Store the database credentials in AWS Secrets Manager with automatic rotation. This allows the security engineer to encrypt and manage secrets centrally, and to configure automatic rotation schedules for them.

➤ Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database. This allows the security engineer to encrypt data in transit between the EC2 instances and the database.

#### NEW QUESTION 95

A company is running an Amazon RDS for MySQL DB instance in a VPC. The VPC must not send or receive network traffic through the internet. A security engineer wants to use AWS Secrets Manager to rotate the DB instance credentials automatically. Because of a security policy, the security engineer cannot use the standard AWS Lambda function that Secrets Manager provides to rotate the credentials. The security engineer deploys a custom Lambda function in the VPC. The custom Lambda function will be responsible for rotating the secret in Secrets Manager. The security engineer edits the DB instance's security group to allow connections from this function. When the function is invoked, the function cannot communicate with Secrets Manager to rotate the secret properly. What should the security engineer do so that the function can rotate the secret?

- A. Add an egress-only internet gateway to the VP
- B. Allow only the Lambda function's subnet to route traffic through the egress-only internet gateway.
- C. Add a NAT gateway to the VP
- D. Configure only the Lambda function's subnet with a default route through the NAT gateway.
- E. Configure a VPC peering connection to the default VPC for Secrets Manage
- F. Configure the Lambda function's subnet to use the peering connection for routes.
- G. Configure a Secrets Manager interface VPC endpoint
- H. Include the Lambda function's private subnet during the configuration process.

**Answer: D**

#### Explanation:

You can establish a private connection between your VPC and Secrets Manager by creating an interface VPC endpoint. Interface endpoints are powered by AWS PrivateLink, a technology that enables you to privately access Secrets Manager APIs without an internet gateway, NAT device, VPN connection, or AWS Direct Connect connection. Reference:

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/secretsmanager/latest/userguide/vpc-endpoint-overview.html>

The correct answer is D. Configure a Secrets Manager interface VPC endpoint. Include the Lambda function's private subnet during the configuration process. A Secrets Manager interface VPC endpoint is a private connection between the VPC and Secrets Manager that does not require an internet gateway, NAT device, VPN connection, or AWS Direct Connect connection<sup>1</sup>. By configuring a Secrets Manager interface VPC endpoint, the security engineer can enable the custom Lambda function to communicate with Secrets Manager without sending or receiving network traffic through the internet. The security engineer must include the Lambda function's private subnet during the configuration process to allow the function to use the endpoint<sup>2</sup>.

The other options are incorrect for the following reasons:

- A. An egress-only internet gateway is a VPC component that allows outbound communication over IPv6 from instances in the VPC to the internet, and prevents the internet from initiating an IPv6 connection with the instances<sup>3</sup>. However, this option does not meet the requirement that the VPC must not send or receive network traffic through the internet. Moreover, an egress-only internet gateway is for use with IPv6 traffic only, and Secrets Manager does not support IPv6 addresses<sup>2</sup>.
- B. A NAT gateway is a VPC component that enables instances in a private subnet to connect to the internet or other AWS services, but prevents the internet from initiating connections with those instances<sup>4</sup>. However, this option does not meet the requirement that the VPC must not send or receive network traffic through the internet. Additionally, a NAT gateway requires an elastic IP address, which is a public IPv4 address<sup>4</sup>.
- C. A VPC peering connection is a networking connection between two VPCs that enables you to route traffic between them using private IPv4 addresses or IPv6 addresses<sup>5</sup>. However, this option does not work because Secrets Manager does not have a default VPC that can be peered with. Furthermore, a VPC peering connection does not provide a private connection to Secrets Manager APIs without an internet gateway or other devices<sup>2</sup>.

#### NEW QUESTION 96

A company is using AWS Organizations to implement a multi-account strategy. The company does not have on-premises infrastructure. All workloads run on AWS. The company currently has eight member accounts. The company anticipates that it will have no more than 20 AWS accounts total at any time.

The company issues a new security policy that contains the following requirements:

- No AWS account should use a VPC within the AWS account for workloads.
- The company should use a centrally managed VPC that all AWS accounts can access to launch workloads in subnets.
- No AWS account should be able to modify another AWS account's application resources within the centrally managed VPC.
- The centrally managed VPC should reside in an existing AWS account that is named Account-A within an organization.

The company uses an AWS CloudFormation template to create a VPC that contains multiple subnets in Account-A. This template exports the subnet IDs through the CloudFormation Outputs section.

Which solution will complete the security setup to meet these requirements?

- A. Use a CloudFormation template in the member accounts to launch workload
- B. Configure the template to use the Fn::ImportValue function to obtain the subnet ID values.
- C. Use a transit gateway in the VPC within Account-
- D. Configure the member accounts to use the transit gateway to access the subnets in Account-A to launch workloads.
- E. Use AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) to share Account-A's VPC subnets with the remaining member account
- F. Configure the member accounts to use the shared subnets to launch workloads.
- G. Create a peering connection between Account-A and the remaining member account
- H. Configure the member accounts to use the subnets in Account-A through the VPC peering connection to launch workloads.

**Answer: C**

#### Explanation:

The correct answer is C. Use AWS Resource Access Manager (AWS RAM) to share Account-A's VPC subnets with the remaining member accounts. Configure the member accounts to use the shared subnets to launch workloads.

This answer is correct because AWS RAM is a service that helps you securely share your AWS resources across AWS accounts, within your organization or organizational units (OUs), and with IAM roles and users for supported resource types<sup>1</sup>. One of the supported resource types is VPC subnets<sup>2</sup>, which means you can share the subnets in Account-A's VPC with the other member accounts using AWS RAM. This way, you can meet the requirements of using a centrally managed VPC, avoiding duplicate VPCs in each account, and launching workloads in shared subnets. You can also control the access to the shared subnets by using IAM policies and resource-based policies<sup>3</sup>, which can prevent one account from modifying another account's resources.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. Using a CloudFormation template in the member accounts to launch workloads and using the Fn::ImportValue function to obtain the subnet ID values is not a solution, because Fn::ImportValue can only import values that have been exported by another stack within the same region<sup>4</sup>. This means that you cannot use

Fn::ImportValue to reference the subnet IDs that are exported by Account-A's CloudFormation template, unless all the member accounts are in the same region as Account-A. This option also does not avoid creating duplicate VPCs in each account, which is one of the requirements.

➤ B. Using a transit gateway in the VPC within Account-A and configuring the member accounts to use the transit gateway to access the subnets in Account-A to launch workloads is not a solution, because a transit gateway does not allow you to launch workloads in another account's subnets. A transit gateway is a network transit hub that enables you to route traffic between your VPCs and on-premises networks<sup>5</sup>, but it does not enable you to share subnets across accounts.

➤ D. Creating a peering connection between Account-A and the remaining member accounts and configuring the member accounts to use the subnets in Account-A through the VPC peering connection to launch workloads is not a solution, because a VPC peering connection does not allow you to launch workloads in another account's subnets. A VPC peering connection is a networking connection between two VPCs that enables you to route traffic between them privately<sup>6</sup>, but it does not enable you to share subnets across accounts.

References:

1: What is AWS Resource Access Manager? 2: Shareable AWS resources 3: Managing permissions for shared resources 4: Fn::ImportValue 5: What is a transit gateway? 6: What is VPC peering?

#### NEW QUESTION 101

A company is using Amazon Route 53 Resolver for its hybrid DNS infrastructure. The company has set up Route 53 Resolver forwarding rules for authoritative domains that are hosted on on-premises DNS servers.

A new security mandate requires the company to implement a solution to log and query DNS traffic that goes to the on-premises DNS servers. The logs must show details of the source IP address of the instance from which the query originated. The logs also must show the DNS name that was requested in Route 53 Resolver. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use VPC Traffic Mirroring
- B. Configure all relevant elastic network interfaces as the traffic source, include amazon-dns in the mirror filter, and set Amazon CloudWatch Logs as the mirror target
- C. Use CloudWatch Insights on the mirror session logs to run queries on the source IP address and DNS name.
- D. Configure VPC flow logs on all relevant VPC
- E. Send the logs to an Amazon S3 bucket
- F. Use Amazon Athena to run SQL queries on the source IP address and DNS name.
- G. Configure Route 53 Resolver query logging on all relevant VPC
- H. Send the logs to Amazon CloudWatch Log
- I. Use CloudWatch Insights to run queries on the source IP address and DNS name.
- J. Modify the Route 53 Resolver rules on the authoritative domains that forward to the on-premises DNS server
- K. Send the logs to an Amazon S3 bucket
- L. Use Amazon Athena to run SQL queries on the source IP address and DNS name.

**Answer: C**

#### Explanation:

The correct answer is C. Configure Route 53 Resolver query logging on all relevant VPCs. Send the logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs. Use CloudWatch Insights to run queries on the source IP address and DNS name.

According to the AWS documentation<sup>1</sup>, Route 53 Resolver query logging lets you log the DNS queries that Route 53 Resolver handles for your VPCs. You can send the logs to CloudWatch Logs, Amazon S3, or Kinesis Data Firehose. The logs include information such as the following:

- The AWS Region where the VPC was created
- The ID of the VPC that the query originated from
- The IP address of the instance that the query originated from
- The instance ID of the resource that the query originated from
- The date and time that the query was first made
- The DNS name requested (such as prod.example.com)
- The DNS record type (such as A or AAAA)
- The DNS response code, such as NoError or ServFail
- The DNS response data, such as the IP address that is returned in response to the DNS query

You can use CloudWatch Insights to run queries on your log data and analyze the results using graphs and statistics<sup>2</sup>. You can filter and aggregate the log data based on any field, and use operators and functions to perform calculations and transformations. For example, you can use CloudWatch Insights to find out how many queries were made for a specific domain name, or which instances made the most queries.

Therefore, this solution meets the requirements of logging and querying DNS traffic that goes to the on-premises DNS servers, showing details of the source IP address of the instance from which the query originated, and the DNS name that was requested in Route 53 Resolver.

The other options are incorrect because:

➤ A. Using VPC Traffic Mirroring would not capture the DNS queries that go to the on-premises DNS servers, because Traffic Mirroring only copies network traffic from an elastic network interface of an EC2 instance to a target for analysis<sup>3</sup>. Traffic Mirroring does not include traffic that goes through a Route 53 Resolver outbound endpoint, which is used to forward queries to on-premises DNS servers<sup>4</sup>. Therefore, this solution would not meet the requirements.

➤ B. Configuring VPC flow logs on all relevant VPCs would not capture the DNS name that was requested in Route 53 Resolver, because flow logs only record information about the IP traffic going to and from network interfaces in a VPC<sup>5</sup>. Flow logs do not include any information about the content or payload of a packet, such as a DNS query or response. Therefore, this solution would not meet the requirements.

➤ D. Modifying the Route 53 Resolver rules on the authoritative domains that forward to the on-premises DNS servers would not enable logging of DNS queries, because Resolver rules only specify how to forward queries for specified domain names to your network<sup>6</sup>. Resolver rules do not have any logging functionality by themselves. Therefore, this solution would not meet the requirements. References:

1: Resolver query logging - Amazon Route 53 2: Analyzing log data with CloudWatch Logs Insights - Amazon CloudWatch 3: What is Traffic Mirroring? - Amazon Virtual Private Cloud 4: Outbound Resolver endpoints - Amazon Route 53 5: Logging IP traffic using VPC Flow Logs - Amazon Virtual Private Cloud 6: Managing forwarding rules - Amazon Route 53

#### NEW QUESTION 103

A company has thousands of AWS Lambda functions. While reviewing the Lambda functions, a security engineer discovers that sensitive information is being stored in environment variables and is viewable as plaintext in the Lambda console. The values of the sensitive information are only a few characters long.

What is the MOST cost-effective way to address this security issue?

- A. Set up IAM policies from the Lambda console to hide access to the environment variables.



- B. Use AWS Step Functions to store the environment variable
- C. Access the environment variables at runtime
- D. Use IAM permissions to restrict access to the environment variables to only the Lambda functions that require access.
- E. Store the environment variables in AWS Secrets Manager, and access them at runtime
- F. Use IAM permissions to restrict access to the secrets to only the Lambda functions that require access.
- G. Store the environment variables in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store as secure string parameters, and access them at runtime
- H. Use IAM permissions to restrict access to the parameters to only the Lambda functions that require access.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

Storing sensitive information in environment variables is not a secure practice, as anyone who has access to the Lambda console or the Lambda function code can view them as plaintext. To address this security issue, the security engineer needs to use a service that can store and encrypt the environment variables, and access them at runtime using IAM permissions. The most cost-effective way to do this is to use AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store, which is a service that provides secure, hierarchical storage for configuration data management and secrets management. Parameter Store allows you to store values as standard parameters (plaintext) or secure string parameters (encrypted). Secure string parameters use a AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) customer master key (CMK) to encrypt the parameter value. To access the parameter value at runtime, the Lambda function needs to have IAM permissions to decrypt the parameter using the KMS CMK.

The other options are incorrect because:

- Option A is incorrect because setting up IAM policies from the Lambda console to hide access to the environment variables will not prevent someone who has access to the Lambda function code from viewing them as plaintext. IAM policies can only control who can perform actions on AWS resources, not what they can see in the code or the console.
- Option B is incorrect because using AWS Step Functions to store the environment variables is not a secure or cost-effective solution. AWS Step Functions is a service that lets you coordinate multiple AWS services into serverless workflows. Step Functions does not provide any encryption or secrets management capabilities, and it will incur additional charges for each state transition in the workflow. Moreover, storing environment variables in Step Functions will make them visible in the execution history of the workflow, which can be accessed by anyone who has permission to view the Step Functions console or API.
- Option C is incorrect because storing the environment variables in AWS Secrets Manager and accessing them at runtime is not a cost-effective solution. AWS Secrets Manager is a service that helps you protect secrets needed to access your applications, services, and IT resources. Secrets Manager enables you to rotate, manage, and retrieve secrets throughout their lifecycle. While Secrets Manager can securely store and encrypt environment variables using KMS CMKs, it will incur higher charges than Parameter Store for storing and retrieving secrets. Unless the security engineer needs the advanced features of Secrets Manager, such as automatic rotation of secrets or integration with other AWS services, Parameter Store is a cheaper and simpler option.

**NEW QUESTION 106**

A company uses Amazon API Gateway to present REST APIs to users. An API developer wants to analyze API access patterns without the need to parse the log files.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements with the LEAST effort? (Select TWO.)

- A. Configure access logging for the required API stage.
- B. Configure an AWS CloudTrail trail destination for API Gateway event
- C. Configure filters on the userIdentity, userAgent, and sourceIPAddress fields.
- D. Configure an Amazon S3 destination for API Gateway log
- E. Run Amazon Athena queries to analyze API access information.
- F. Use Amazon CloudWatch Logs Insights to analyze API access information.
- G. Select the Enable Detailed CloudWatch Metrics option on the required API stage.

**Answer:** CD

**NEW QUESTION 109**

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 111**

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:

- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/userguide/troubleshoot-403-errors.html>
- <https://repost.aws/knowledge-center/s3-access-denied-error-kms>
- <https://repost.aws/knowledge-center/cross-account-access-denied-error-s3>

**NEW QUESTION 116**

A company has a web server in the AWS Cloud. The company will store the content for the web server in an Amazon S3 bucket. A security engineer must use an Amazon CloudFront distribution to speed up delivery of the content. None of the files can be publicly accessible from the S3 bucket directly. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Configure the permissions on the individual files in the S3 bucket so that only the CloudFront distribution has access to them.  
B. Create an origin access identity (OAI). Associate the OAI with the CloudFront distribution.  
C. Configure the S3 bucket permissions so that only the OAI can access the files in the S3 bucket.  
D. Create an S3 role in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). Allow only the CloudFront distribution to assume the role to access the files in the S3 bucket.  
E. Create an S3 bucket policy that uses only the CloudFront distribution ID as the principal and the Amazon Resource Name (ARN) as the target.

**Answer: B**

**NEW QUESTION 117**

A development team is using an IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) CMK to try to encrypt and decrypt a secure string parameter from IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store. However, the development team receives an error message on each attempt. Which issues that are related to the CMK could be reasons for the error? (Select TWO.)

- A. The CMK that is used in the attempt does not exist.  
B. The CMK that is used in the attempt needs to be rotated.  
C. The CMK that is used in the attempt is using the CMK's key ID instead of the CMK ARN.  
D. The CMK that is used in the attempt is not enabled.  
E. The CMK that is used in the attempt is using an alias.

**Answer: AD**

**NEW QUESTION 120**

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 125**

An IAM user receives an Access Denied message when the user attempts to access objects in an Amazon S3 bucket. The user and the S3 bucket are in the same AWS account. The S3 bucket is configured to use server-side encryption with AWS KMS keys (SSE-KMS) to encrypt all of its objects at rest by using a customer managed key from the same AWS account. The S3 bucket has no bucket policy defined. The IAM user has been granted permissions through an IAM policy that allows the kms:Decrypt permission to the customer managed key. The IAM policy also allows the s3:List\* and s3:Get\* permissions for the S3 bucket and its objects.

Which of the following is a possible reason that the IAM user cannot access the objects in the S3 bucket?

- A. The IAM policy needs to allow the kms:DescribeKey permission.  
B. The S3 bucket has been changed to use the AWS managed key to encrypt objects at rest.  
C. An S3 bucket policy needs to be added to allow the IAM user to access the objects.  
D. The KMS key policy has been edited to remove the ability for the AWS account to have full access to the key.

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

The possible reason that the IAM user cannot access the objects in the S3 bucket is D. The KMS key policy has been edited to remove the ability for the AWS

account to have full access to the key.

This answer is correct because the KMS key policy is the primary way to control access to the KMS key, and it must explicitly allow the AWS account to have full access to the key. If the KMS key policy has been edited to remove this permission, then the IAM policy that grants kms:Decrypt permission to the IAM user has no effect, and the IAM user cannot decrypt the objects in the S3 bucket12.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. The IAM policy does not need to allow the kms:DescribeKey permission, because this permission is not required for decrypting objects in S3 using SSE-KMS. The kms:DescribeKey permission allows getting information about a KMS key, such as its creation date, description, and key state3.
- B. The S3 bucket has not been changed to use the AWS managed key to encrypt objects at rest, because this would not cause an Access Denied message for the IAM user. The AWS managed key is a default KMS key that is created and managed by AWS for each AWS account and Region. The IAM user does not need any permissions on this key to use it for SSE-KMS4.
- C. An S3 bucket policy does not need to be added to allow the IAM user to access the objects, because the IAM user already has s3:List\* and s3:Get\* permissions for the S3 bucket and its objects through an IAM policy. An S3 bucket policy is an optional way to grant cross-account access or public access to an S3 bucket5.

References:

1: Key policies in AWS KMS 2: Using server-side encryption with AWS KMS keys (SSE-KMS) 3: AWS KMS API Permissions Reference 4: Using server-side encryption with Amazon S3 managed keys (SSE-S3) 5: Bucket policy examples

#### NEW QUESTION 129

A developer at a company uses an SSH key to access multiple Amazon EC2 instances. The company discovers that the SSH key has been posted on a public GitHub repository. A security engineer verifies that the key has not been used recently.

How should the security engineer prevent unauthorized access to the EC2 instances?

- A. Delete the key pair from the EC2 console
- B. Create a new key pair.
- C. Use the ModifyInstanceAttribute API operation to change the key on any EC2 instance that is using the key.
- D. Restrict SSH access in the security group to only known corporate IP addresses.
- E. Update the key pair in any AMI that is used to launch the EC2 instance
- F. Restart the EC2 instances.

**Answer: C**

#### Explanation:

To prevent unauthorized access to the EC2 instances, the security engineer should do the following:

- Restrict SSH access in the security group to only known corporate IP addresses. This allows the security engineer to use a virtual firewall that controls inbound and outbound traffic for their EC2 instances, and limit SSH access to only trusted sources.

#### NEW QUESTION 133

A security engineer is working with a company to design an ecommerce application. The application will run on Amazon EC2 instances that run in an Auto Scaling group behind an Application Load Balancer (ALB). The application will use an Amazon RDS DB instance for its database.

The only required connectivity from the internet is for HTTP and HTTPS traffic to the application. The application must communicate with an external payment provider that allows traffic only from a preconfigured allow list of IP addresses. The company must ensure that communications with the external payment provider are not interrupted as the environment scales.

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

- A. Deploy a NAT gateway in each private subnet for every Availability Zone that is in use.
- B. Place the DB instance in a public subnet.
- C. Place the DB instance in a private subnet.
- D. Configure the Auto Scaling group to place the EC2 instances in a public subnet.
- E. Configure the Auto Scaling group to place the EC2 instances in a private subnet.
- F. Deploy the ALB in a private subnet.

**Answer: ACE**

#### NEW QUESTION 136

A company's IAM account consists of approximately 300 IAM users. Now there is a mandate that an access change is required for 100 IAM users to have unlimited privileges to S3. As a system administrator, how can you implement this effectively so that there is no need to apply the policy at the individual user level? Please select:

- A. Create a new role and add each user to the IAM role
- B. Use the IAM groups and add users, based upon their role, to different groups and apply the policy to group
- C. Create a policy and apply it to multiple users using a JSON script
- D. Create an S3 bucket policy with unlimited access which includes each user's IAM account ID

**Answer: B**

#### Explanation:

Option A is incorrect since you don't add a user to the IAM Role Option C is incorrect since you don't assign multiple users to a policy Option D is incorrect since this is not an ideal approach

An IAM group is used to collectively manage users who need the same set of permissions. By having groups, it becomes easier to manage permissions. So if you change the permissions on the group scale, it will affect all the users in that group

For more information on IAM Groups, just browse to the below URL: [https://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id\\_eroups.html](https://docs.IAM.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_eroups.html)

The correct answer is: Use the IAM groups and add users, based upon their role, to different groups and apply the policy to group

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#### NEW QUESTION 140

A company is using IAM Organizations. The company wants to restrict IAM usage to the eu-west-1 Region for all accounts under an OU that is named "development." The solution must persist restrictions to existing and new IAM accounts under the development OU.

- ☐ A. Include the following SCP on the development OU:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DenyNonDefaultRegions",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "NotAction": [
        <Desired Global Services> ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringNotEquals": {
          "aws:RequestedRegion": [
            "eu-west-1"
          ]
        },
        "ArnNotLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalARN": "arn:aws:iam::*:role/AWSExecution"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

- ☐ B. Include the following SCP on the development account:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DenyNonDefaultRegions",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "NotAction": [
        <Desired Global Services> ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringNotEquals": {
          "aws:RequestedRegion": [
            "eu-west-1"
          ]
        },
        "ArnNotLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalARN": "arn:aws:iam::*:role/AWSExecution"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

- ☐ C. Include the following SCP on the development OU

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DenyNonDefaultRegions",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "NotAction": [
        <Desired Global Services> ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "aws:RequestedRegion": [
            "eu-west-1"
          ]
        },
        "ArnNotLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalARN": "arn:aws:iam::*:role/AWSExecution"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

- ☐ D. Include the following SCP on the development OU

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "DenyNonDefaultRegions",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "NotAction": [
        <Desired Global Services> ],
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringNotEquals": {
          "aws:RequestedRegion": [
            "us-east-1"
          ]
        },
        "ArnNotLike": {
          "aws:PrincipalARN": "arn:aws:iam::*:role/AWSExecution"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

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

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 143

A company is using AWS WAF to protect a customized public API service that is based on Amazon EC2 instances. The API uses an Application Load Balancer. The AWS WAF web ACL is configured with an AWS Managed Rules rule group. After a software upgrade to the API and the client application, some types of requests are no longer working and are causing application stability issues. A security engineer discovers that AWS WAF logging is not turned on for the web ACL. The security engineer needs to immediately return the application to service, resolve the issue, and ensure that logging is not turned off in the future. The security engineer turns on logging for the web ACL and specifies Amazon Cloud-Watch Logs as the destination. Which additional set of steps should the security engineer take to meet the re-quirements?

- A. Edit the rules in the web ACL to include rules with Count action  
B. Review the logs to determine which rule is blocking the reques  
C. Modify the IAM policy of all AWS WAF administrators so that they cannot remove the log-ging configuration for any AWS WAF web ACLs.  
D. Edit the rules in the web ACL to include rules with Count action



- E. Review the logs to determine which rule is blocking the request
- F. Modify the AWS WAF resource policy so that AWS WAF administrators cannot remove the logging configuration for any AWS WAF web ACLs.
- G. Edit the rules in the web ACL to include rules with Count and Challenge action
- H. Review the logs to determine which rule is blocking the request
- I. Modify the AWS WAF resource policy so that AWS WAF administrators cannot remove the logging configuration for any AWS WAF web ACLs.
- J. Edit the rules in the web ACL to include rules with Count and Challenge action
- K. Review the logs to determine which rule is blocking the request
- L. Modify the IAM policy of all AWS WAF administrators so that they cannot remove the logging configuration for any AWS WAF web ACLs.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

This answer is correct because it meets the requirements of returning the application to service, resolving the issue, and ensuring that logging is not turned off in the future. By editing the rules in the web ACL to include rules with Count actions, the security engineer can test the effect of each rule without blocking or allowing requests. By reviewing the logs, the security engineer can identify which rule is causing the problem and modify or delete it accordingly. By modifying the IAM policy of all AWS WAF administrators, the security engineer can restrict their permissions to prevent them from removing the logging configuration for any AWS WAF web ACLs.

**NEW QUESTION 145**

A security engineer needs to run an AWS CloudFormation script. The CloudFormation script builds AWS infrastructure to support a stack that includes web servers and a MySQL database. The stack has been deployed in pre-production environments and is ready for production.

The production script must comply with the principle of least privilege. Additionally, separation of duties must exist between the security engineer's IAM account and CloudFormation.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation to generate a policy that allows the CloudFormation script to run and manage the stack
- B. Attach the policy to a new IAM role
- C. Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to pass the new role to CloudFormation.
- D. Create an IAM policy that allows ec2:\* and rds:\* permission
- E. Attach the policy to a new IAM role. Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to assume the new role.
- F. Use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation to generate a policy that allows the CloudFormation script to run and manage the stack
- G. Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to run the CloudFormation script.
- H. Create an IAM policy that allows ec2:\* and rds:\* permission
- I. Attach the policy to a new IAM role
- J. Use the IAM policy simulator to confirm that the policy allows the AWS API calls that are necessary to build the stack
- K. Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to pass the new role to CloudFormation.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is A. Use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation to generate a policy that allows the CloudFormation script to run and manage the stack. Attach the policy to a new IAM role. Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to pass the new role to CloudFormation.

According to the AWS documentation, IAM Access Analyzer is a service that helps you identify the resources in your organization and accounts, such as Amazon S3 buckets or IAM roles, that are shared with an external entity. You can also use IAM Access Analyzer to generate fine-grained policies that grant least privilege access based on access activity and access attempts.

To use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation, you need to enable IAM Access Analyzer in your account or organization. You can then use the IAM console or the AWS CLI to generate a policy for a resource based on its access activity or access attempts. You can review and edit the generated policy before applying it to the resource.

To use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation with CloudFormation, you can follow these steps:

- Run the CloudFormation script in a pre-production environment and monitor its access activity or access attempts using IAM Access Analyzer.
- Use IAM Access Analyzer policy generation to generate a policy that allows the CloudFormation script to run and manage the stack. The policy will include only the permissions that are necessary for the script to function.
- Attach the policy to a new IAM role that has a trust relationship with CloudFormation. This will allow CloudFormation to assume the role and execute the script.
- Modify the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to pass the new role to CloudFormation.

This will allow the security engineer to launch the stack using the role.

- Run the CloudFormation script in the production environment using the new role.

This solution will meet the requirements of least privilege and separation of duties, as it will limit the permissions of both CloudFormation and the security engineer to only what is needed for running and managing the stack.

Option B is incorrect because creating an IAM policy that allows ec2:\* and rds:\* permissions is not following the principle of least privilege, as it will grant more permissions than necessary for running and managing the stack. Moreover, modifying the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to assume the new role is not ensuring separation of duties, as it will allow the security engineer to bypass CloudFormation and directly access the resources.

Option C is incorrect because modifying the security engineer's IAM permissions to be able to run the CloudFormation script is not ensuring separation of duties, as it will allow the security engineer to execute the script without using CloudFormation.

Option D is incorrect because creating an IAM policy that allows ec2:\* and rds:\* permissions is not following the principle of least privilege, as it will grant more permissions than necessary for running and managing the stack. Using the IAM policy simulator to confirm that the policy allows the AWS API calls that are necessary to build the stack is not sufficient, as it will not generate a fine-grained policy based on access activity or access attempts.

**NEW QUESTION 149**

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