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NEW QUESTION 1

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 2

A company has a relational database workload that runs on Amazon Aurora MySQL. According to new compliance standards the company must rotate all database credentials every 30 days. The company needs a solution that maximizes security and minimizes development effort.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Store the database credentials in AWS Secrets Manager
- B. Configure automatic credential rotation for every 30 days.
- C. Store the database credentials in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store
- D. Create an AWS Lambda function to rotate the credentials every 30 days.
- E. Store the database credentials in an environment file or in a configuration file
- F. Modify the credentials every 30 days.
- G. Store the database credentials in an environment file or in a configuration file
- H. Create an AWS Lambda function to rotate the credentials every 30 days.

Answer: A

Explanation:

To rotate database credentials every 30 days, the most secure and efficient solution is to store the database credentials in AWS Secrets Manager and configure automatic credential rotation for every 30 days. Secrets Manager can handle the rotation of the credentials in both the secret and the database, and it can use AWS KMS to encrypt the credentials. Option B is incorrect because it requires creating a custom Lambda function to rotate the credentials, which is more effort than using Secrets Manager. Option C is incorrect because it stores the database credentials in an environment file or a configuration file, which is less secure than using Secrets Manager. Option D is incorrect because it combines the drawbacks of option B and option C. Verified References:

➤ <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/secretsmanager/latest/userguide/rotating-secrets.html>

➤ https://docs.aws.amazon.com/secretsmanager/latest/userguide/rotate-secrets_turn-on-for-other.html

NEW QUESTION 3

A company's security team is building a solution for logging and visualization. The solution will assist the company with the large variety and velocity of data that it receives from IAM across multiple accounts. The security team has enabled IAM CloudTrail and VPC Flow Logs in all of its accounts. In addition, the company has an organization in IAM Organizations and has an IAM Security Hub master account.

The security team wants to use Amazon Detective. However, the security team cannot enable Detective and is unsure why.

What must the security team do to enable Detective?

- A. Enable Amazon Macie so that Security Hub will allow Detective to process findings from Macie.
- B. Disable IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) encryption on CloudTrail logs in every member account of the organization
- C. Enable Amazon GuardDuty on all member accounts. Try to enable Detective in 48 hours.
- D. Ensure that the principal that launches Detective has the organizations ListAccounts permission.

Answer: D

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 - Amazo 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 has developed a new Amazon RDS database application. The company must secure the ROS database credentials for encryption in transit and encryption at rest. The company also must rotate the credentials automatically on a regular basis. Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Use IAM Systems Manager Parameter Store to store the database credential
- B. Configure automatic rotation of the credentials.
- C. Use IAM Secrets Manager to store the database credential
- D. Configure automat* rotation of the credentials
- E. Store the database credentials in an Amazon S3 bucket that is configured with server-side encryption with S3 managed encryption keys (SSE-S3) Rotate the credentials with IAM database authentication.
- F. Store the database credentials m Amazon S3 Glacier, and use S3 Glacier Vault Lock Configure an IAM Lambda function to rotate the credentials on a scheduled bast

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 7

An AWS account administrator created an IAM group and applied the following managed policy to require that each individual user authenticate using multi-factor authentication:

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "ec2:*",
      "Resource": "*"
    },
    {
      "Sid": "BlockAnyAccessUnlessSignedInWithMFA",
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "ec2:*",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "BoolIfExists": {
          "aws:MultiFactorAuthPresent": false
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

After implementing the policy, the administrator receives reports that users are unable to perform Amazon EC2 commands using the AWS CLI. What should the administrator do to resolve this problem while still enforcing multi-factor authentication?

- A. Change the value of aws:MultiFactorAuthPresent to true.
- B. Instruct users to run the aws sts get-session-token CLI command and pass the multi-factor authentication--serial-number and --token-code parameter
- C. Use these resulting values to make API/CLI calls.
- D. Implement federated API/CLI access using SAML 2.0, then configure the identity provider to enforce multi-factor authentication.
- E. Create a role and enforce multi-factor authentication in the role trust polic
- F. Instruct users to run the sts assume-role CLI command and pass --serial-number and --token-code parameter
- G. Store the resultingvalues in environment variable
- H. Add sts:AssumeRole to NotAction in the policy.

Answer: B

Explanation:

The correct answer is B. Instruct users to run the `aws sts get-session-token` CLI command and pass the multi-factor authentication `--serial-number` and `--token-code` parameters. Use these resulting values to make API/CLI calls.

According to the AWS documentation¹, the `aws sts get-session-token` CLI command returns a set of temporary credentials for an AWS account or IAM user. The credentials consist of an access key ID, a secret access key, and a security token. These credentials are valid for the specified duration only. The session duration for IAM users can be between 15 minutes and 36 hours, with a default of 12 hours.

You can use the `--serial-number` and `--token-code` parameters to provide the MFA device serial number and the MFA code from the device. The MFA device must be associated with the user who is making the

`get-session-token` call. If you do not provide these parameters when your IAM user or role has a policy that requires MFA, you will receive an Access Denied error.

The temporary security credentials that are returned by the `get-session-token` command can then be used to make subsequent API or CLI calls that require MFA authentication. You can use environment variables or a profile in your AWS CLI configuration file to specify the temporary credentials.

Therefore, this solution will resolve the problem of users being unable to perform EC2 commands using the AWS CLI, while still enforcing MFA.

The other options are incorrect because:

- A. Changing the value of `aws:MultiFactorAuthPresent` to true will not work, because this is a condition key that is evaluated by AWS when a request is made. You cannot set this value manually in your policy or request. You must provide valid MFA information to AWS for this condition key to be true.
- C. Implementing federated API/CLI access using SAML 2.0 may work, but it requires more operational effort than using the `get-session-token` command. You would need to configure a SAML identity provider and trust relationship with AWS, and use a custom SAML client to request temporary credentials from AWS STS. This solution may also introduce additional security risks if the identity provider is compromised.

- D. Creating a role and enforcing MFA in the role trust policy may work, but it also requires more operational effort than using the `get-session-token` command. You would need to create a role for each user or group that needs to perform EC2 commands, and specify a trust policy that requires MFA. You would also need to grant the users permission to assume the role, and instruct them to use the `sts assume-role` command instead of the `get-session-token` command.

References:

1: `get-session-token` — AWS CLI Command Reference

NEW QUESTION 8

A Security Architect has been asked to review an existing security architecture and identify why the application servers cannot successfully initiate a connection to the database servers. The following summary describes the architecture:

- * 1 An Application Load Balancer, an internet gateway, and a NAT gateway are configured in the public subnet
 - * 2 Database, application, and web servers are configured on three different private subnets.
 - * 3 The VPC has two route tables: one for the public subnet and one for all other subnets The route table for the public subnet has a 0 0 0 0/0 route to the internet gateway The route table for all other subnets has a 0 0.0.0/0 route to the NAT gateway. All private subnets can route to each other
 - * 4 Each subnet has a network ACL implemented that limits all inbound and outbound connectivity to only the required ports and protocols
 - * 5 There are 3 Security Groups (SGs) database application and web Each group limits all inbound and outbound connectivity to the minimum required
- Which of the following accurately reflects the access control mechanisms the Architect should verify?

- A. Outbound SG configuration on database servers Inbound SG configuration on application servers inbound and outbound network ACL configuration on the database subnet Inbound and outbound network ACL configuration on the application server subnet
- B. Inbound SG configuration on database servers Outbound SG configuration on application servers Inbound and outbound network ACL configuration on the database subnet Inbound and outbound network ACL configuration on the application server subnet
- C. Inbound and outbound SG configuration on database servers Inbound and outbound SG configuration on application servers Inbound network ACL configuration on the database subnet Outbound network ACL configuration on the application server subnet
- D. Inbound SG configuration on database servers Outbound SG configuration on application servers Inbound network ACL configuration on the database subnet Outbound network ACL configuration on the application server subnet.

Answer: A

Explanation:

this is the accurate reflection of the access control mechanisms that the Architect should verify. Access control mechanisms are methods that regulate who can access what resources and how. Security groups and network ACLs are two types of access control mechanisms that can be applied to EC2 instances and subnets. Security groups are stateful, meaning they remember and return traffic that was previously allowed. Network ACLs are stateless, meaning they do not remember or return traffic that was previously allowed. Security groups and network ACLs can have inbound and outbound rules that specify the source, destination, protocol, and port of the traffic. By verifying the outbound security group configuration on database servers, the inbound security group configuration on application servers, and the inbound and outbound network ACL configuration on both the database and application server subnets, the Architect can check if there are any misconfigurations or conflicts that prevent the application servers from initiating a connection to the database servers. The other options are either inaccurate or incomplete for verifying the access control mechanisms.

NEW QUESTION 9

A company uses a third-party identity provider and SAML-based SSO for its AWS accounts. After the third-party identity provider renewed an expired signing certificate, users saw the following message when trying to log in:

Error: Response Signature Invalid (Service: AWSSecurityTokenService; Status Code: 400; Error Code: InvalidIdentityToken)

A security engineer needs to provide a solution that corrects the error and minimizes operational overhead.

Which solution meets these requirements?

- A. Upload the third-party signing certificate's new private key to the AWS identity provider entity defined in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) by using the AWS Management Console.
- B. Sign the identity provider's metadata file with the new public key
- C. Upload the signature to the AWS identity provider entity defined in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) by using the AWS CLI.
- D. Download the updated SAML metadata file from the identity service provider
- E. Update the file in the AWS identity provider entity defined in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) by using the AWS CLI.
- F. Configure the AWS identity provider entity defined in AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) to synchronously fetch the new public key by using the AWS Management Console.

Answer: C

Explanation:

This answer is correct because downloading the updated SAML metadata file from the identity service provider ensures that AWS has the latest information about the identity provider, including the new public key. Updating the file in the AWS identity provider entity defined in IAM by using the AWS CLI allows AWS to verify the signature of the SAML assertions sent by the identity provider. This solution also minimizes operational overhead because it can be automated with a script or a cron job.

NEW QUESTION 10

A company uses an Amazon S3 bucket to store reports Management has mandated that all new objects stored in this bucket must be encrypted at rest using server-side encryption with a client-specified IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) CMK owned by the same account as the S3 bucket. The IAM account number is 111122223333, and the bucket name is report bucket. The company's security specialist must write the S3 bucket policy to ensure the mandate can be Implemented

Which statement should the security specialist include in the policy?

- A.

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "s3:PutObject",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::reportbucket/*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringEquals": {
      "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption": "AES256"
    }
  }
}
```
- B.

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "s3:PutObject",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::reportbucket/*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringNotLike": {
      "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption-aws-kms-key-id": "arn:aws:kms:*:111122223333:key/*"
    }
  }
}
```
- C.

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "s3:PutObject",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::reportbucket/*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringNotLike": {
      "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption": "aws:kms"
    }
  }
}
```
- D.

```
{
  "Effect": "Deny",
  "Principal": "*",
  "Action": "s3:PutObject",
  "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::reportbucket/*",
  "Condition": {
    "StringNotLikeIfExists": {
      "s3:x-amz-server-side-encryption-aws-kms-key-id": "arn:aws:kms:*:111122223333:key/*"
    }
  }
}
```
- E. Option A
 F. Option B
 G. Option C
 H. Option D

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 10

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 11

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 13

A company is running workloads in a single IAM account on Amazon EC2 instances and Amazon EMR clusters a recent security audit revealed that multiple Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volumes and snapshots are not encrypted. The company's security engineer is working on a solution that will allow users to deploy EC2 Instances and EMR clusters while ensuring that all new EBS volumes and EBS snapshots are encrypted at rest. The solution must also minimize operational overhead. Which steps should the security engineer take to meet these requirements?

- A. Create an Amazon Event Bridge (Amazon Cloud watch Events) event with an EC2 instance as the source and create volume as the event trigger.
- B. When the event is triggered invoke an IAM Lambda function to evaluate and notify the security engineer if the EBS volume that was created is not encrypted.
- C. Use a customer managed IAM policy that will verify that the encryption ag of the Createvolume context is set to true.
- D. Apply this rule to all users.
- E. Create an IAM Config rule to evaluate the configuration of each EC2 instance on creation or modification. Have the IAM Config rule trigger an IAM Lambda function to alert the security team and terminate the instance if the EBS volume is not encrypted.
- F. 5
- G. Use the IAM Management Console or IAM CLI to enable encryption by default for EBS volumes in each IAM Region where the company operates.

Answer: D

Explanation:

To ensure that all new EBS volumes and EBS snapshots are encrypted at rest and minimize operational overhead, the security engineer should do the following:

- Use the AWS Management Console or AWS CLI to enable encryption by default for EBS volumes in each AWS Region where the company operates. This allows the security engineer to automatically encrypt any new EBS volumes and snapshots created from those volumes, without requiring any additional actions from users.

NEW QUESTION 14

A company uses SAML federation to grant users access to AWS accounts. A company workload that is in an isolated AWS account runs on immutable infrastructure with no human access to Amazon EC2. The company requires a specialized user known as a break glass user to have access to the workload AWS account and instances in the case of SAML errors. A recent audit discovered that the company did not create the break glass user for the AWS account that contains the workload.

The company must create the break glass user. The company must log any activities of the break glass user and send the logs to a security team.

Which combination of solutions will meet these requirements? (Select TWO.)

- A. Create a local individual break glass IAM user for the security team.
- B. Create a trail in AWS CloudTrail that has Amazon CloudWatch Logs turned on.
- C. Use Amazon EventBridge to monitor local user activities.
- D. Create a break glass EC2 key pair for the AWS account.
- E. Provide the key pair to the security team.
- F. Use AWS CloudTrail to monitor key pair activities.
- G. Send notifications to the security team by using Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS).
- H. Create a break glass IAM role for the account.
- I. Allow security team members to perform the AssumeRoleWithSAML operation.
- J. Create an AWS Cloud Trail trail that has Amazon CloudWatch Logs turned on.
- K. Use Amazon EventBridge to monitor security team activities.
- L. Create a local individual break glass IAM user on the operating system level of each workload instance. Configure unrestricted security groups on the instances to grant access to the break glass IAM users.
- M. Configure AWS Systems Manager Session Manager for Amazon EC2. Configure an AWS Cloud Trail filter based on Session Manager.
- N. Send the results to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.

Answer: AE

Explanation:

The combination of solutions that will meet the requirements are:

- A. Create a local individual break glass IAM user for the security team. Create a trail in AWS CloudTrail that has Amazon CloudWatch Logs turned on. Use Amazon EventBridge to monitor local user activities. This is a valid solution because it allows the security team to access the workload AWS account and instances using a local IAM user that does not depend on SAML federation. It also enables logging and monitoring of the break glass user activities using AWS CloudTrail, Amazon CloudWatch Logs, and Amazon EventBridge.
 - E. Configure AWS Systems Manager Session Manager for Amazon EC2. Configure an AWS CloudTrail filter based on Session Manager. Send the results to an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic. This is a valid solution because it allows the security team to access the workload instances without opening any inbound ports or managing SSH keys or bastion hosts. It also enables logging and notification of the break glass user activities using AWS CloudTrail, Session Manager, and Amazon SNS.
- The other options are incorrect because:
- B. Creating a break glass EC2 key pair for the AWS account and providing it to the security team is not a valid solution, because it requires opening inbound ports on the instances and managing SSH keys, which increases the security risk and complexity.
 - C. Creating a break glass IAM role for the account and allowing security team members to perform the AssumeRoleWithSAML operation is not a valid solution, because it still depends on SAML federation, which might not work in case of SAML errors.
 - D. Creating a local individual break glass IAM user on the operating system level of each workload instance and configuring unrestricted security groups on the

instances to grant access to the break glass IAM users is not a valid solution, because it requires opening inbound ports on the instances and managing multiple local users, which increases the security risk and complexity9.

References:

1: Creating an IAM User in Your AWS Account 2: Creating a Trail - AWS CloudTrail 3: Using Amazon EventBridge with AWS CloudTrail 4: Setting up Session Manager - AWS Systems Manager 5: Logging Session Manager sessions - AWS Systems Manager 6: Amazon Simple Notification Service 7: Connecting to your Linux instance using SSH - Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud 8: AssumeRoleWithSAML - AWS Security Token Service 9: IAM Users - AWS Identity and Access Management

NEW QUESTION 17

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 21

An Incident Response team is investigating an IAM access key leak that resulted in Amazon EC2 instances being launched. The company did not discover the incident until many months later The Director of Information Security wants to implement new controls that will alert when similar incidents happen in the future Which controls should the company implement to achieve this? {Select TWO.)

- A. Enable VPC Flow Logs in all VPCs Create a scheduled IAM Lambda function that downloads and parses the logs, and sends an Amazon SNS notification for violations.
- B. Use IAM CloudTrail to make a trail, and apply it to all Regions Specify an Amazon S3 bucket to receive all the CloudTrail log files
- C. Add the following bucket policy to the company's IAM CloudTrail bucket to prevent log tampering{"Version": "2012-10-17","Statement": { "Effect": "Deny","Action": "s3:PutObject", "Principal": "-", "Resource": "arn:IAM:s3:::cloudtrail/IAMLogs/111122223333/*"}}Create an Amazon S3 data event for an PutObject attempts, which sends notifications to an Amazon SNS topic.
- D. Create a Security Auditor role with permissions to access Amazon CloudWatch Logs in all Regions Ship the logs to an Amazon S3 bucket and make a lifecycle policy to ship the logs to Amazon S3 Glacier.
- E. Verify that Amazon GuardDuty is enabled in all Regions, and create an Amazon CloudWatch Events rule for Amazon GuardDuty findings Add an Amazon SNS topic as the rule's target

Answer: AE

NEW QUESTION 22

A company is designing a multi-account structure for its development teams. The company is using AWS Organizations and AWS Single Sign-On (AWS SSO). The company must implement a solution so that the development teams can use only specific AWS Regions and so that each AWS account allows access to only specific AWS services.

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

- A. Use AWS SSO to set up service-linked roles with IAM policy statements that include the Condition, Resource, and NotAction elements to allow access to only the Regions and services that are needed.
- B. Deactivate AWS Security Token Service (AWS STS) in Regions that the developers are not allowed to use.
- C. Create SCPs that include the Condition, Resource, and NotAction elements to allow access to only the Regions and services that are needed.
- D. For each AWS account, create tailored identity-based policies for AWS SS
- E. Use statements that include the Condition, Resource, and NotAction elements to allow access to only the Regions and services that are needed.

Answer: C

Explanation:

https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/userguide/orgs_manage_policies_scps_syntax.html#scp-eleme

NEW QUESTION 25

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

What should the security engineer recommend?

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

- N. Set up an AWS CloudHSM cluster with AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) to store KMS key
- O. Set up Amazon RDS encryption using AWS KSM to encrypt the databas
- P. Store the database credentials in AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store with automatic rotatio
- Q. Set up TLS for the connection to the RDS hosted database.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 26

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 group
- H. Use CloudWatch Logs Insights to list the most common DNS queries for the log group in a custom dashboard.
- I. Configure Amazon Route 53 Resolver query 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 30

A company has a legacy application that runs on a single Amazon EC2 instance. A security audit shows that the application has been using an IAM access key within its code to access an Amazon S3 bucket that is named DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 in the same AWS account. This access key pair has the s3:GetObject permission to all objects in only this S3 bucket. The company takes the application offline because the application is not compliant with the company's security policies for accessing other AWS resources from Amazon EC2.

A security engineer validates that AWS CloudTrail is turned on in all AWS Regions. CloudTrail is sending logs to an S3 bucket that is named DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET2. This S3 bucket is in the same AWS account as DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1. However, CloudTrail has not been configured to send logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

The company wants to know if any objects in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 were accessed with the IAM access key in the past 60 days. If any objects were accessed, the company wants to know if any of the objects that are text files (.txt extension) contained personally identifiable information (PII).

Which combination of steps should the security engineer take to gather this information? (Choose two.)

- A. Configure Amazon Macie to identify any objects in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 that contain PII and that were available to the access key.
- B. Use Amazon CloudWatch Logs Insights to identify any objects in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 that contain PII and that were available to the access key.
- C. Use Amazon OpenSearch Service (Amazon Elasticsearch Service) to query the CloudTrail logs in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET2 for API calls that used the access key to access an object that contained PII.
- D. Use Amazon Athena to query the CloudTrail logs in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET2 for any API calls that used the access key to access an object that contained PII.
- E. Use AWS Identity and Access Management Access Analyzer to identify any API calls that used the access key to access objects that contained PII in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1.

Answer: AD

NEW QUESTION 33

A company uses AWS Organizations to manage a multi-accountAWS environment in a single AWS Region. The organization's management account is named management-01. The company has turned on AWS Config in all accounts in the organization. The company has designated an account named security-01 as the delegated administra-tor for AWS Config.

All accounts report the compliance status of each account's rules to the AWS Config delegated administrator account by using an AWS Config aggregator. Each account administrator can configure and manage the account's own AWS Config rules to handle each account's unique compliance requirements.

A security engineer needs to implement a solution to automatically deploy a set of 10 AWS Config rules to all existing and future AWS accounts in the organiza-tion. The solution must turn on AWS Config automatically during account crea-tion.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements? (Select TWO.)

- A. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that contains the 1 0 required AVVS Config rule
- B. Deploy the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the security-01 account.
- C. Create a conformance pack that contains the 10 required AWS Config rule
- D. Deploy the conformance pack from the security-01 account.
- E. Create a conformance pack that contains the 10 required AWS Config rule
- F. Deploy the conformance pack from the management-01 account.
- G. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that will activate AWS Confi
- H. De-plot the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the security-01 ac-count.
- I. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that will activate AWS Confi
- J. De-plot the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the management-01 account.

Answer: BE

NEW QUESTION 36

A security engineer is using AWS Organizations and wants to optimize SCPs. The security engineer needs to ensure that the SCPs conform to best practices. Which approach should the security engineer take to meet this requirement?

- A. Use AWS IAM Access Analyzer to analyze the policies
- B. View the findings from policy validation checks.
- C. Review AWS Trusted Advisor checks for all accounts in the organization.
- D. Set up AWS Audit Manager
- E. Run an assessment for all AWS Regions for all accounts.
- F. Ensure that Amazon Inspector agents are installed on all Amazon EC2 instances in all accounts.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 39

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

G. Tag each IAM role with the Team key, and use the team name in the tag value

H. Create an IAM policy similar to the one that follows, and attach it to all the IAM roles used by developers.

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

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 42

A security engineer needs to implement a write-once-read-many (WORM) model for data that a company will store in Amazon S3 buckets. The company uses the S3 Standard storage class for all of its S3 buckets. The security engineer must ensure that objects cannot be overwritten or deleted by any user, including the AWS account root user.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Create new S3 buckets with S3 Object Lock enabled in compliance mode
- B. Place objects in the S3 buckets.
- C. Use S3 Glacier Vault Lock to attach a Vault Lock policy to new S3 bucket
- D. Wait 24 hours to complete the Vault Lock process
- E. Place objects in the S3 buckets.
- F. Create new S3 buckets with S3 Object Lock enabled in governance mode
- G. Place objects in the S3 buckets.
- H. Create new S3 buckets with S3 Object Lock enabled in governance mode
- I. Add a legal hold to the S3 bucket
- J. Place objects in the S3 buckets.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 43

An international company wants to combine AWS Security Hub findings across all the company's AWS Regions and from multiple accounts. In addition, the company

wants to create a centralized custom dashboard to correlate these findings with operational data for deeper

analysis and insights. The company needs an analytics tool to search and visualize Security Hub findings. Which combination of steps will meet these requirements? (Select THREE.)

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

Answer: BDF

Explanation:

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

Amazon Athena to query the data and create views to flatten nested attributes. Build Amazon QuickSight dashboards that use the Athena views.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NEW QUESTION 46

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 documentation¹, 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 Guide². 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 bucket³. 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 operations⁴.
- 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 bucket⁵.
- 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 events⁶. 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 51

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 52

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

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

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

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

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

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

The other options are incorrect for the following reasons:

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

NEW QUESTION 53

A company has a single AWS account and uses an Amazon EC2 instance to test application code. The company recently discovered that the instance was compromised. The instance was serving up malware. The analysis of the instance showed that the instance was compromised 35 days ago.

A security engineer must implement a continuous monitoring solution that automatically notifies the company's security team about compromised instances through an email distribution list for high severity findings. The security engineer must implement the solution as soon as possible.

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

- A. Enable AWS Security Hub in the AWS account.
- B. Enable Amazon GuardDuty in the AWS account.
- C. Create an Amazon Simple Notification Service (Amazon SNS) topic.
- D. Subscribe the security team's email distribution list to the topic.

- E. Create an Amazon Simple Queue Service (Amazon SQS) queue
- F. Subscribe the security team's email distribution list to the queue.
- G. Create an Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events) rule for GuardDuty findings of high severity
- H. Configure the rule to publish a message to the topic.
- I. Create an Amazon EventBridge (Amazon CloudWatch Events) rule for Security Hub findings of high severity
- J. Configure the rule to publish a message to the queue.

Answer: BCE

NEW QUESTION 57

A company has recently recovered from a security incident that required the restoration of Amazon EC2 instances from snapshots. After performing a gap analysis of its disaster recovery procedures and backup strategies, the company is concerned that, next time, it will not be able to recover the EC2 instances if the AWS account was compromised and Amazon EBS snapshots were deleted. All EBS snapshots are encrypted using an AWS KMS CMK. Which solution would solve this problem?

- A. Create a new Amazon S3 bucket
- B. Use EBS lifecycle policies to move EBS snapshots to the new S3 bucket
- C. Move snapshots to Amazon S3 Glacier using lifecycle policies, and apply Glacier Vault Lock policies to prevent deletion.
- D. Use AWS Systems Manager to distribute a configuration that performs local backups of all attached disks to Amazon S3.
- E. Create a new AWS account with limited privilege
- F. Allow the new account to access the AWS KMS key used to encrypt the EBS snapshots, and copy the encrypted snapshots to the new account on a recurring basis.
- G. Use AWS Backup to copy EBS snapshots to Amazon S3.

Answer: C

Explanation:

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

NEW QUESTION 60

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.

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

NEW QUESTION 64

Within a VPC, a corporation runs an Amazon RDS Multi-AZ DB instance. The database instance is connected to the internet through a NAT gateway via two subnets.

Additionally, the organization has application servers that are hosted on Amazon EC2 instances and use the RDS database. These EC2 instances have been deployed onto two more private subnets inside the same VPC. These EC2 instances connect to the internet through a default route via the same NAT gateway. Each VPC subnet has its own route table.

The organization implemented a new security requirement after a recent security examination. Never allow the database instance to connect to the internet. A security engineer must perform this update promptly without interfering with the network traffic of the application servers.

How will the security engineer be able to comply with these requirements?

- A. Remove the existing NAT gateway
- B. Create a new NAT gateway that only the application server subnets can use.
- C. Configure the DB instance's inbound network ACL to deny traffic from the security group ID of the NAT gateway.
- D. Modify the route tables of the DB instance subnets to remove the default route to the NAT gateway.
- E. Configure the route table of the NAT gateway to deny connections to the DB instance subnets.

Answer: C

Explanation:

Each subnet has a route table, so modify the routing associated with DB instance subnets to prevent internet access.

NEW QUESTION 67

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 71

A Security Engineer is troubleshooting an issue with a company's custom logging application. The application logs are written to an Amazon S3 bucket with event notifications enabled to send events to an Amazon SNS topic. All logs are encrypted at rest using an IAM KMS CMK. The SNS topic is subscribed to an encrypted Amazon SQS queue. The logging application polls the queue for new messages that contain metadata about the S3 object. The application then reads the content of the object from the S3 bucket for indexing.

The Logging team reported that Amazon CloudWatch metrics for the number of messages sent or received is showing zero. No logs are being received.

What should the Security Engineer do to troubleshoot this issue?

- A) Add the following statement to the IAM managed CMKs:

```
{
  "Sid": "Allow Amazon SNS to use this key",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "Service": ["sns.amazonaws.com", "sqs.amazonaws.com", "s3.amazonaws.com"]
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey*"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
}
```

- B) Add the following statement to the CMK key policy:

```
{
  "Sid": "Allow Amazon SNS to use this key",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "Service": "sns.amazonaws.com"
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey*"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
}
```

C)
 Add the following statement to the CMK key policy:

```
{
  "Sid": "Allow Amazon SNS to use this key",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "Service": "sns.amazonaws.com"
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey*"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
}
```

D)
 Add the following statement to the CMK key policy:

```
{
  "Sid": "Allow Amazon SNS to use this key",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Principal": {
    "Service": "s3.amazonaws.com"
  },
  "Action": [
    "kms:Decrypt",
    "kms:GenerateDataKey*"
  ],
  "Resource": "*"
}
```

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

Answer: D

NEW QUESTION 75

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 Store.
- 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 rotated.
- 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 Manager¹.

* 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 policies². You can also use the AWS SDK for Java to integrate your application with Secrets Manager³.

NEW QUESTION 79

A company is running an application in The eu-west-1 Region. The application uses an IAM Key Management Service (IAM KMS) CMK to encrypt sensitive data. The company plans to deploy the application in the eu-north-1 Region.

A security engineer needs to implement a key management solution for the application deployment in the new Region. The security engineer must minimize changes to the application code.

Which change should the security engineer make to the IAM KMS configuration to meet these requirements?

- A. Update the key policies in eu-west-1. Point the application in eu-north-1 to use the same CMK as the application in eu-west-1.
- B. Allocate a new CMK to eu-north-1 to be used by the application that is deployed in that Region.
- C. Allocate a new CMK to eu-north-1. Create the same alias name for both key
- D. Configure the application deployment to use the key alias.
- E. Allocate a new CMK to eu-north-1. Create an alias for eu-'-1. Change the application code to point to the alias for eu-'-1.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 80

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 for 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 of information for 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 security engineer receives a notice from the AWS Abuse team about suspicious activity from a Linux-based Amazon EC2 instance that uses Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS)-based storage The instance is making connections to known malicious addresses

The instance is in a development account within a VPC that is in the us-east-1 Region The VPC contains an internet gateway and has a subnet in us-east-1a and us-east-1b Each subnet is associated with a route table that uses the internet gateway as a default route Each subnet also uses the default network ACL The suspicious EC2 instance runs within the us-east-1 b subnet. During an initial investigation a security engineer discovers that the suspicious instance is the only instance that runs in the subnet

Which response will immediately mitigate the attack and help investigate the root cause?

- A. Log in to the suspicious instance and use the netstat command to identify remote connections Use the IP addresses from these remote connections to create deny rules in the security group of the instance Install diagnostic tools on the instance for investigation Update the outbound network ACL for the subnet in us-east-1b to explicitly deny all connections as the first rule during the investigation of the instance
- B. Update the outbound network ACL for the subnet in us-east-1b to explicitly deny all connections as the first rule Replace the security group with a new security group that allows connections only from a diagnostics security group Update the outbound network ACL for the us-east-1b subnet to remove the deny all rule Launch a new EC2 instance that has diagnostic tools Assign the new security group to the new EC2 instance Use the new EC2 instance to investigate the suspicious instance
- C. Ensure that the Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volumes that are attached to the suspicious EC2 instance will not delete upon termination Terminate the instance Launch a new EC2 instance in us-east-1a that has diagnostic tools Mount the EBS volumes from the terminated instance for investigation
- D. Create an AWS WAF web ACL that denies traffic to and from the suspicious instance Attach the AWS WAF web ACL to the instance to mitigate the attack Log in to the instance and install diagnostic tools to investigate the instance

Answer: B

Explanation:

This option suggests updating the outbound network ACL for the subnet in us-east-1b to explicitly deny all connections as the first rule, replacing the security group with a new one that only allows connections from a diagnostics security group, and launching a new EC2 instance with diagnostic tools to investigate the suspicious instance. This option will immediately mitigate the attack and provide the necessary tools for investigation.

NEW QUESTION 86

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

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

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

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

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

The other options are incorrect because:

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

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NEW QUESTION 90

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

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

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 93

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 Adminis-tratorAccess 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 96

A team is using AWS Secrets Manager to store an application database password. Only a limited number of IAM principals within the account can have access to the secret. The principals who require access to the secret change frequently. A security engineer must create a solution that maximizes flexibility and scalability. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use a role-based approach by creating an IAM role with an inline permissions policy that allows access to the secre
- B. Update the IAM principals in the role trust policy as required.
- C. Deploy a VPC endpoint for Secrets Manage
- D. Create and attach an endpoint policy that specifies the IAM principals that are allowed to access the secre
- E. Update the list of IAM principals as required.
- F. Use a tag-based approach by attaching a resource policy to the secre
- G. Apply tags to the secret and the IAM principal
- H. Use the aws:PrincipalTag and aws:ResourceTag IAM condition keys to control access.
- I. Use a deny-by-default approach by using IAM policies to deny access to the secret explicitl
- J. Attach the policies to an IAM grou
- K. Add all IAM principals to the IAM grou
- L. Remove principals from the group when they need acces
- M. Add the principals to the group again when access is no longer allowed.

Answer: C

NEW QUESTION 98

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 fiel
- 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 Instanc
- G. Enable third-party disk encryption to encrypt the Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) volum

- 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 99

A company is using AWS Organizations to manage multiple accounts. The company needs to allow an IAM user to use a role to access resources that are in another organization's AWS account.

Which combination of steps must the company perform to meet this requirement? (Select TWO.)

- A. Create an identity policy that allows the sts: AssumeRole action in the AWS account that contains the resource.
- B. Attach the identity policy to the IAM user.
- C. Ensure that the sts: AssumeRole action is allowed by the SCPs of the organization that owns the resources that the IAM user needs to access.
- D. Create a role in the AWS account that contains the resource.
- E. Create an entry in the role's trust policy that allows the IAM user to assume the role.
- F. Attach the trust policy to the role.
- G. Establish a trust relationship between the IAM user and the AWS account that contains the resources.
- H. Create a role in the IAM user's AWS account.
- I. Create an identity policy that allows the sts: AssumeRole action.
- J. Attach the identity policy to the role.

Answer: BC

Explanation:

To allow cross-account access to resources using IAM roles, the following steps are required:

- Create a role in the AWS account that contains the resources (the trusting account) and specify the AWS account that contains the IAM user (the trusted account) as a trusted entity in the role's trust policy. This allows users from the trusted account to assume the role and access resources in the trusting account.
- Ensure that the IAM user has permission to assume the role in their own AWS account. This can be done by creating an identity policy that allows the sts: AssumeRole action and attaching it to the IAM user or their group.
- Ensure that there are no service control policies (SCPs) in the organization that owns the resources that deny or restrict access to the sts: AssumeRole action or the role itself. SCPs are applied to all accounts in an organization and can override any permissions granted by IAM policies.

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NEW QUESTION 101

A company's public Application Load Balancer (ALB) recently experienced a DDoS attack. To mitigate this issue, the company deployed Amazon CloudFront in front of the ALB so that users would not directly access the Amazon EC2 instances behind the ALB.

The company discovers that some traffic is still coming directly into the ALB and is still being handled by the EC2 instances.

Which combination of steps should the company take to ensure that the EC2 instances will receive traffic only from CloudFront? (Choose two.)

- A. Configure CloudFront to add a cache key policy to allow a custom HTTP header that CloudFront sends to the ALB.
- B. Configure CloudFront to add a custom: HTTP header to requests that CloudFront sends to the ALB.
- C. Configure the ALB to forward only requests that contain the custom HTTP header.
- D. Configure the ALB and CloudFront to use the X-Forwarded-For header to check client IP addresses.
- E. Configure the ALB and CloudFront to use the same X.509 certificate that is generated by AWS Certificate Manager (ACM).

Answer: BC

Explanation:

To prevent users from directly accessing an Application Load Balancer and allow access only through CloudFront, complete these high-level steps: Configure CloudFront to add a custom HTTP header to requests that it sends to the Application Load Balancer. Configure the Application Load Balancer to only forward requests that contain the custom HTTP header. (Optional) Require HTTPS to improve the security of this solution.

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonCloudFront/latest/DeveloperGuide/restrict-access-to-load-balancer.html>

NEW QUESTION 106

A company accidentally deleted the private key for an Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS)-backed Amazon EC2 instance. A security engineer needs to regain access to the instance.

Which combination of steps will meet this requirement? (Choose two.)

- A. Stop the instanc
- B. Detach the root volum
- C. Generate a new key pair.
- D. Keep the instance runnin
- E. Detach the root volum
- F. Generate a new key pair.
- G. When the volume is detached from the original instance, attach the volume to another instance as a data volum
- H. Modify the authorized_keys file with a new public ke
- I. Move the volume back to the original instanc
- J. Start the instance.
- K. When the volume is detached from the original instance, attach the volume to another instance as a data volum
- L. Modify the authorized_keys file with a new private ke
- M. Move the volume back to the original instanc
- N. Start the instance.
- O. When the volume is detached from the original instance, attach the volume to another instance as a data volum
- P. Modify the authorized_keys file with a new public ke
- Q. Move the volume back to the original instance that is running.

Answer: AC

Explanation:

If you lose the private key for an EBS-backed instance, you can regain access to your instance. You must stop the instance, detach its root volume and attach it to another instance as a data volume, modify the authorized_keys file with a new public key, move the volume back to the original instance, and restart the instance.
<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/TroubleshootingInstancesConnecting.html#replacing>

NEW QUESTION 107

A security engineer needs to see up an Amazon CloudFront distribution for an Amazon S3 bucket that hosts a static website. The security engineer must allow only specified IP addresses to access the website. The security engineer also must prevent users from accessing the website directly by using S3 URLs. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Generate an S3 bucket polic
- B. Specify cloudfront amazonaws com as the principa
- C. Use the aws SourceIp condition key to allow access only if the request comes from the specified IP addresses.
- D. Create a CloudFront origin access identity (OAI). Create the S3 bucket policy so that only the OAI has acces
- E. Create an AWS WAF web ACL and add an IP set rul
- F. Associate the web ACL with the CloudFront distribution.
- G. Implement security groups to allow only the specified IP addresses access and to restrict S3 bucket access by using the CloudFront distribution.
- H. Create an S3 bucket access point to allow access from only the CloudFront distributio
- I. Create an AWS WAF web ACL and add an IP set rul
- J. Associate the web ACL with the CloudFront distribution.

Answer: B

NEW QUESTION 111

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

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

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

Answer: BD

Explanation:

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

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

NEW QUESTION 113

A company has hundreds of AWS accounts in an organization in AWS Organizations. The company operates out of a single AWS Region. The company has a dedicated security tooling AWS account in the organization. The security tooling account is configured as the organization's delegated administrator for Amazon GuardDuty and AWS Security Hub. The company has configured the environment to automatically enable GuardDuty and Security Hub for existing AWS accounts and new AWS accounts.

The company is performing control tests on specific GuardDuty findings to make sure that the company's security team can detect and respond to security events. The security team launched an Amazon EC2 instance and attempted to run DNS requests against a test domain, example.com, to generate a DNS finding.

However, the GuardDuty finding was never created in the Security Hub delegated administrator account.

Why was the finding was not created in the Security Hub delegated administrator account?

- A. VPC flow logs were not turned on for the VPC where the EC2 instance was launched.

- B. The VPC where the EC2 instance was launched had the DHCP option configured for a custom OpenDNS resolver.
- C. The GuardDuty integration with Security Hub was never activated in the AWS account where the finding was generated.
- D. Cross-Region aggregation in Security Hub was not configured.

Answer: C

Explanation:

The correct answer is C. The GuardDuty integration with Security Hub was never activated in the AWS account where the finding was generated.

According to the AWS documentation¹, GuardDuty findings are automatically sent to Security Hub only if the GuardDuty integration with Security Hub is enabled in the same account and Region. This means that the security tooling account, which is the delegated administrator for both GuardDuty and Security Hub, must enable the GuardDuty integration with Security Hub in each member account and Region where GuardDuty is enabled. Otherwise, the findings from GuardDuty will not be visible in Security Hub.

The other options are incorrect because:

- VPC flow logs are not required for GuardDuty to generate DNS findings. GuardDuty uses VPC DNS logs, which are automatically enabled for all VPCs, to detect malicious or unauthorized DNS activity.
- The DHCP option configured for a custom OpenDNS resolver does not affect GuardDuty's ability to generate DNS findings. GuardDuty uses its own threat intelligence sources to identify malicious domains, regardless of the DNS resolver used by the EC2 instance.
- Cross-Region aggregation in Security Hub is not relevant for this scenario, because the company operates out of a single AWS Region. Cross-Region aggregation allows Security Hub to aggregate findings from multiple Regions into a single Region.

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NEW QUESTION 114

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 connection¹. 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 endpoint².

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 instances³. 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 addresses².
- 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 instances⁴. 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 address⁴.
- 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 addresses⁵. 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 devices².

NEW QUESTION 118

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

Why were there no alerts on the sudo commands?

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

Answer: B

Explanation:

the reason why there were no alerts on the sudo commands. Sudo commands are commands that allow a user to execute commands as another user, usually the

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

NEW QUESTION 120

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 types¹. One of the supported resource types is VPC subnets², 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 policies³, 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 region⁴. 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 networks⁵, 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 privately⁶, 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 125

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 Mirrorin
- 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 bucke
- 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 bucke
- 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 documentation¹, 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 statistics². 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 analysis³. 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 servers⁴. 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 VPC⁵. 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 network⁶. 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 128

A security engineer is designing an IAM policy for a script that will use the AWS CLI. The script currently assumes an IAM role that is attached to three AWS managed IAM policies: AmazonEC2FullAccess, AmazonDynamoDBFullAccess, and AmazonVPCFullAccess.

The security engineer needs to construct a least privilege IAM policy that will replace the AWS managed IAM policies that are attached to this role.

Which solution will meet these requirements in the MOST operationally efficient way?

- A. In AWS CloudTrail, create a trail for management event
- B. Run the script with the existing AWS managed IAM policies
- C. Use IAM Access Analyzer to generate a new IAM policy that is based on access activity in the trail
- D. Replace the existing AWS managed IAM policies with the generated IAM policy for the role.
- E. Remove the existing AWS managed IAM policies from the role
- F. Attach the IAM Access Analyzer Role Policy Generator to the role
- G. Run the script
- H. Return to IAM Access Analyzer and generate a least privilege IAM policy
- I. Attach the new IAM policy to the role.
- J. Create an account analyzer in IAM Access Analyzer
- K. Create an archive rule that has a filter that checks whether the PrincipalArn value matches the ARN of the role
- L. Run the script
- M. Remove the existing AWS managed IAM policies from the role.
- N. In AWS CloudTrail, create a trail for management event
- O. Remove the existing AWS managed IAM policies from the role
- P. Run the script
- Q. Find the authorization failure in the trail event that is associated with the script
- R. Create a new IAM policy that includes the action and resource that caused the authorization failure
- S. Repeat the process until the script succeeds
- T. Attach the new IAM policy to the role.

Answer: A

NEW QUESTION 129

A security engineer needs to configure an Amazon S3 bucket policy to restrict access to an S3 bucket that is named DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET. The policy must allow access to only DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET from only the following endpoint: vpce-1a2b3c4d. The policy must deny all access to DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET if the specified endpoint is not used.

Which bucket policy statement meets these requirements?

- A. A computer code with black text Description automatically generated


```
"Statement": [
  {
    "Sid": "Access-to-specific-VPCE-only",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": "s3:*",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET",
      "arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*"],
    "Condition": {
      "StringNotEquals": {
        "aws:sourceVpce": "vpce-la2b3c4d"
      }
    }
  }
]
```

B. A computer code with black text Description automatically generated

```
"Statement": [
  {
    "Sid": "Access-to-specific-VPCE-only",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": "s3:*",
    "Effect": "Deny",
    "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET",
      "arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*"],
    "Condition": {
      "StringNotEquals": {
        "aws:sourceVpce": "vpce-la2b3c4d"
      }
    }
  }
]
```

C. A computer code with black text Description automatically generated

```
"Statement": [
  {
    "Sid": "Access-to-specific-VPCE-only",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": "s3:*",
    "Effect": "Deny",
    "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET",
      "arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*"],
    "Condition": {
      "StringEquals": {
        "aws:sourceVpce": "vpce-la2b3c4d"
      }
    }
  }
]
```

D. A computer code with black text Description automatically generated

```
"Statement": [
  {
    "Sid": "Access-to-specific-VPCE-only",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": "s3:*",
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Resource": ["arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET",
      "arn:aws:s3::DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET/*"],
    "Condition": {
      "StringEquals": {
        "aws:sourceVpce": "vpce-la2b3c4d"
      }
    }
  }
]
```

Answer: B

Explanation:

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/userguide/example-bucket-policies-vpc-endpoint.html>

NEW QUESTION 134

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 136

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