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#### **QUESTION 1**

An international company has established a new business entity in South Korea. The company also has established a new AWS account to contain the workload for the South Korean region. The company has set up the workload in the new account in the ap-northeast-2 Region. The workload consists of three Auto Scaling groups of Amazon EC2 instances. All workloads that operate in this Region must keep system logs and application logs for 7 years.

A security engineer must implement a solution to ensure that no logging data is lost for each instance during scaling activities. The solution also must keep the logs for only the required period of 7 years.

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

- A. Ensure that the Amazon CloudWatch agent is installed on all the EC2 instances that the Auto Scaling groups launch. Generate a CloudWatch agent configuration file to forward the required logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs.
- B. Set the log retention for desired log groups to 7 years.
- C. Attach an IAM role to the launch configuration or launch template that the Auto Scaling groups use. Configure the role to provide the necessary permissions to forward logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs.
- D. Attach an IAM role to the launch configuration or launch template that the Auto Scaling groups use. Configure the role to provide the necessary permissions to forward logs to Amazon S3.
- E. Ensure that a log forwarding application is installed on all the EC2 instances that the Auto Scaling groups launch. Configure the log forwarding application to periodically bundle the logs and forward the logs to Amazon S3.
- F. Configure an Amazon S3 Lifecycle policy on the target S3 bucket to expire objects after 7 years.

Answer: ABC

#### **QUESTION 2**

A company uses AWS Organizations to manage a multi-account AWS 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 administrator 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 organization. The solution must turn on AWS Config automatically during account creation.

Which combination of steps will meet these requirements? (Choose two.)

- A. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that contains the 10 required AWS Config rules. Deploy the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the security-01 account.
- B. Create a conformance pack that contains the 10 required AWS Config rules. Deploy the conformance pack from the security-01 account.
- C. Create a conformance pack that contains the 10 required AWS Config rules. Deploy the conformance pack from the management-01 account.
- D. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that will activate AWS Config. Deploy the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the security-01 account.
- E. Create an AWS CloudFormation template that will activate AWS Config. Deploy the template by using CloudFormation StackSets in the management-01 account.

Answer: AD

#### **QUESTION 3**

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. Use Amazon CloudWatch Logs Insights to identify any objects in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 that contain PII and that were available to the access key.
- B. Use Amazon OpenSearch 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.
- C. 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.
- D. 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.
- E. Configure Amazon Macie to identify any objects in DOC-EXAMPLE-BUCKET1 that contain PII and that were available to the access key.

Answer: AE

# **QUESTION 4**

A security engineer creates an Amazon S3 bucket policy that denies access to all users. A few days later, the security engineer adds an additional statement to the bucket policy to allow read-only access to one other employee. Even after updating the policy, the employee sill receives an access denied message.

What is the likely cause of this access denial?

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

Answer: D

#### **QUESTION 5**

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

Answer: D

#### **QUESTION 6**

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

# **QUESTION 7**

An ecommerce company has a web application architecture that runs primarily on containers. The application containers are deployed on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS). The container images for the application are stored in Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR).

The company's security team is performing an audit of components of the application architecture. The security team identifies issues with some container images that are stored in the container repositories.

The security team wants to address these issues by implementing continual scanning and onpush scanning of the container images. The security team needs to implement a solution that makes any findings from these scans visible in a centralized dashboard. The security team plans to use the dashboard to view these findings along with other security-related findings that they intend to generate in the future. There are specific repositories that the security team needs to exclude from the scanning process.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Use Amazon Inspector. Create inclusion rules in Amazon ECR to match repositories that need to be scanned. Push Amazon Inspector findings to AWS Security Hub.
- B. Use ECR basic scanning of container images. Create inclusion rules in Amazon ECR to match repositories that need to be scanned. Push findings to AWS Security Hub.
- C. Use ECR basic scanning of container images. Create inclusion rules in Amazon ECR to match repositories that need to be scanned. Push findings to Amazon Inspector.
- D. Use Amazon Inspector. Create inclusion rules in Amazon Inspector to match repositories that need to be scanned. Push Amazon Inspector findings to AWS Config.

Answer: A

# **QUESTION 8**

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

Answer: BCE

#### **QUESTION 9**

A company uses identity federation to authenticate users into an identity account (987654321987) where the users assume an IAM role named IdentityRole. The users then assume an IAM role named JobFunctionRole in the target AWS account (123456789123) to perform their job functions.

A user is unable to assume the IAM role in the target account. The policy attached to the role in the identity account is:

What should be done to enable the user to assume the appropriate role in the target account?

A. Update the IAM policy attached to the role in the identity account to be:

B. Update the trust policy on the role in the target account to be:

C. Update the trust policy on the role in the identity account to be:

D. Update the IAM policy attached to the role in the target account to be:

Answer: D

# **QUESTION 10**

A company is using AWS Organizations to manage multiple AWS accounts for its human resources, finance, software development, and production departments. All the company's developers are part of the software development AWS account.

The company discovers that developers have launched Amazon EC2 instances that were preconfigured with software that the company has not approved for use. The company wants to implement a solution to ensure that developers can launch EC2 instances with only approved software applications and only in the software development AWS account. Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. In the software development account, create AMIs of preconfigured instances that include only approved software. Include the AMI IDs in the condition section of an AWS CloudFormation template to launch the appropriate AMI based on the AWS Region. Provide the developers with the CloudFormation template to launch EC2 instances in the software development account.
- B. Create an Amazon EventBridge rule that runs when any EC2 RunInstances API event occurs in the software development account. Specify AWS Systems Manager Run Command as a target of the rule. Configure Run Command to run a script that will install all approved software onto the instances that the developers launch.
- C. Use an AWS Service Catalog portfolio that contains EC2 products with appropriate AMIs that include only approved software. Grant the developers permission to access only the Service Catalog portfolio to launch a product in the software development account.
- D. In the management account, create AMIs of preconfigured instances that include only approved

software. Use AWS CloudFormation StackSets to launch the AMIs across any AWS account in the organization. Grant the developers permission to launch the stack sets within the management account.

Answer: A

#### **QUESTION 11**

A company has enabled Amazon GuardDuty in all AWS Regions as part of its security monitoring strategy. In one of its VPCs, the company hosts an Amazon EC2 instance that works as an FTP server. A high number of clients from multiple locations contact the FTP server. GuardDuty identifies this activity as a brute force attack because of the high number of connections that happen every hour.

The company has flagged the finding as a false positive, but GuardDuty continues to raise the issue. A security engineer must improve the signal-to-noise ratio without compromising the company's visibility of potential anomalous behavior.

Which solution will meet these requirements?

- A. Disable the FTP rule in GuardDuty in the Region where the FTP server is deployed.
- B. Add the FTP server to a trusted IP list. Deploy the list to GuardDuty to stop receiving the notifications.
- C. Create a suppression rule in GuardDuty to filter findings by automatically archiving new findings that match the specified criteria.
- D. Create an AWS Lambda function that has the appropriate permissions to delete the finding whenever a new occurrence is reported.

Answer: C

#### **QUESTION 12**

A company is running internal microservices on Amazon Elastic Container Service (Amazon ECS) with the Amazon EC2 launch type. The company is using Amazon Elastic Container Registry (Amazon ECR) private repositories.

A security engineer needs to encrypt the private repositories by using AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS). The security engineer also needs to analyze the container images for any common vulnerabilities and exposures (CVEs).

Which solution will meet these requirements?

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

Answer: B

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