

# CSA

## Exam Questions CCSK

Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge



#### NEW QUESTION 1

In the Software-as-a-service relationship, who is responsible for the majority of the security?

- A. Application Consumer
- B. Database Manager
- C. Application Developer
- D. Cloud Provider
- E. Web Application CISO

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 2

How is encryption managed on multi-tenant storage?

- A. Single key for all data owners
- B. One key per data owner
- C. Multiple keys per data owner
- D. The answer could be A, B, or C depending on the provider
- E. C for data subject to the EU Data Protection Directive; B for all others

**Answer: B**

#### NEW QUESTION 3

What is true of searching data across cloud environments?

- A. You might not have the ability or administrative rights to search or access all hosted data.
- B. The cloud provider must conduct the search with the full administrative controls.
- C. All cloud-hosted email accounts are easily searchable.
- D. Search and discovery time is always factored into a contract between the consumer and provider.
- E. You can easily search across your environment using any E-Discovery tool.

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 4

Which cloud storage technology is basically a virtual hard drive for instanced or VMs?

- A. Volume storage
- B. Platform
- C. Database
- D. Application
- E. Object storage

**Answer: A**

#### NEW QUESTION 5

What is known as a code execution environment running within an operating system that shares and uses the resources of the operating system?

- A. Platform-based Workload
- B. Pod
- C. Abstraction
- D. Container
- E. Virtual machine

**Answer: D**

#### NEW QUESTION 6

How can key management be leveraged to prevent cloud providers from inappropriately accessing customer data?

- A. Use strong multi-factor authentication
- B. Secure backup processes for key management systems
- C. Segregate keys from the provider hosting data
- D. Stipulate encryption in contract language
- E. Select cloud providers within the same country as customer

**Answer: C**

#### NEW QUESTION 7

In which deployment model should the governance strategy consider the minimum common set of controls comprised of the Cloud Service Provider contract and the organization's internal governance agreements?

- A. Public
- B. PaaS
- C. Private
- D. IaaS
- E. Hybrid

**Answer:** E

**NEW QUESTION 8**

What item below allows disparate directory services and independent security domains to be interconnected?

- A. Coalition
- B. Cloud
- C. Intersection
- D. Union
- E. Federation

**Answer:** E

**NEW QUESTION 9**

What is defined as the process by which an opposing party may obtain private documents for use in litigation?

- A. Discovery
- B. Custody
- C. Subpoena
- D. Risk Assessment
- E. Scope

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 10**

CCM: A hypothetical start-up company called "ABC" provides a cloud based IT management solution. They are growing rapidly and therefore need to put controls in place in order to manage any changes in their production environment. Which of the following Change Control & Configuration Management production environment specific control should they implement in this scenario?

- A. Policies and procedures shall be established for managing the risks associated with applying changes to business-critical or customer (tenant)-impacting (physical and virtual) applications and systemsystem interface (API) designs and configurations, infrastructure network and systems components.
- B. Policies and procedures shall be established, and supporting business processes and technical measures implemented, to restrict the installation of unauthorized software on organizationally-owned ormanaged user end-point devices (e. issued workstations, laptops, and mobile devices) and IT infrastructure network and systems components.
- C. issued workstations, laptops, and mobile devices) and IT infrastructure network and systems components.
- D. All cloud-based services used by the company's mobile devices or BYOD shall be pre-approved for usage and the storage of company business data.
- E. None of the above

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 10**

If there are gaps in network logging data, what can you do?

- A. Nothin
- B. There are simply limitations around the data that can be logged in the cloud.
- C. Ask the cloud provider to open more ports.
- D. You can instrument the technology stack with your own logging.
- E. Ask the cloud provider to close more ports.
- F. Nothin
- G. The cloud provider must make the information available.

**Answer:** C

**NEW QUESTION 11**

Containers are highly portable code execution environments.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 15**

Which type of application security testing tests running applications and includes tests such as web vulnerability testing and fuzzing?

- A. Code Review
- B. Static Application Security Testing (SAST)
- C. Unit Testing
- D. Functional Testing
- E. Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST)

**Answer:** E

**NEW QUESTION 18**

Which of the following is one of the five essential characteristics of cloud computing as defined by NIST?

- A. Multi-tenancy
- B. Nation-state boundaries
- C. Measured service
- D. Unlimited bandwidth
- E. Hybrid clouds

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 19

What is true of a workload?

- A. It is a unit of processing that consumes memory
- B. It does not require a hardware stack
- C. It is always a virtual machine
- D. It is configured for specific, established tasks
- E. It must be containerized

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 24

What is resource pooling?

- A. The provider's computing resources are pooled to serve multiple consumers.
- B. Internet-based CPUs are pooled to enable multi-threading.
- C. The dedicated computing resources of each client are pooled together in a colocation facility.
- D. Placing Internet ("cloud") data centers near multiple sources of energy, such as hydroelectric dams.
- E. None of the above.

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 28

How should an SDLC be modified to address application security in a Cloud Computing environment?

- A. Integrated development environments
- B. Updated threat and trust models
- C. No modification is needed
- D. Just-in-time compilers
- E. Both B and C

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 33

If in certain litigations and investigations, the actual cloud application or environment itself is relevant to resolving the dispute in the litigation or investigation, how is the information likely to be obtained?

- A. It may require a subpoena of the provider directly
- B. It would require a previous access agreement
- C. It would require an act of war
- D. It would require a previous contractual agreement to obtain the application or access to the environment
- E. It would never be obtained in this situation

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 34

An important consideration when performing a remote vulnerability test of a cloud-based application is to

- A. Obtain provider permission for test
- B. Use techniques to evade cloud provider's detection systems
- C. Use application layer testing tools exclusively
- D. Use network layer testing tools exclusively
- E. Schedule vulnerability test at night

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 36

Which attack surfaces, if any, does virtualization technology introduce?

- A. The hypervisor
- B. Virtualization management components apart from the hypervisor
- C. Configuration and VM sprawl issues
- D. All of the above

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 40

Which concept provides the abstraction needed for resource pools?

- A. Virtualization
- B. Applistructure
- C. Hypervisor
- D. Metastructure
- E. Orchestration

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 43**

CCM: The Cloud Service Delivery Model Applicability column in the CCM indicates the applicability of the cloud security control to which of the following elements?

- A. Mappings to well-known standards and frameworks
- B. Service Provider or Tenant/Consumer
- C. Physical, Network, Compute, Storage, Application or Data
- D. SaaS, PaaS or IaaS

**Answer:** D

**NEW QUESTION 47**

Network logs from cloud providers are typically flow records, not full packet captures.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 51**

What should every cloud customer set up with its cloud service provider (CSP) that can be utilized in the event of an incident?

- A. A data destruction plan
- B. A communication plan
- C. A back-up website
- D. A spill remediation kit
- E. A rainy day fund

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 55**

The containment phase of the incident response lifecycle requires taking systems offline.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 56**

Which statement best describes the impact of Cloud Computing on business continuity management?

- A. A general lack of interoperability standards means that extra focus must be placed on the security aspects of migration between Cloud providers.
- B. The size of data sets hosted at a Cloud provider can present challenges if migration to another provider becomes necessary.
- C. Customers of SaaS providers in particular need to mitigate the risks of application lock-in.
- D. Clients need to do business continuity planning due diligence in case they suddenly need to switch providers.
- E. Geographic redundancy ensures that Cloud Providers provide highly available services.

**Answer:** E

**NEW QUESTION 60**

Your cloud and on-premises infrastructures should always use the same network address ranges.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 65**

If the management plane has been breached, you should confirm the templates/configurations for your infrastructure or applications have not also been compromised.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 70

Which of the following items is NOT an example of Security as a Service (SecaaS)?

- A. Spam filtering
- B. Authentication
- C. Provisioning
- D. Web filtering
- E. Intrusion detection

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 75

ENISA: An example high risk role for malicious insiders within a Cloud Provider includes

- A. Sales
- B. Marketing
- C. Legal counsel
- D. Auditors
- E. Accounting

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 79

What are the primary security responsibilities of the cloud provider in compute virtualizations?

- A. Enforce isolation and maintain a secure virtualization infrastructure
- B. Monitor and log workloads and configure the security settings
- C. Enforce isolation and configure the security settings
- D. Maintain a secure virtualization infrastructure and configure the security settings
- E. Enforce isolation and monitor and log workloads

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 83

When designing an encryption system, you should start with a threat model.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 87

CCM: A company wants to use the IaaS offering of some CSP. Which of the following options for using CCM is NOT suitable for the company as a cloud customer?

- A. Submit the CCM on behalf of the CSP to CSA Security, Trust & Assurance Registry (STAR), a free, publicly accessible registry that documents the security controls provided by CSPs
- B. Use CCM to build a detailed list of requirements and controls that they want their CSP to implement
- C. Use CCM to help assess the risk associated with the CSP
- D. None of the above

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 91

Which opportunity helps reduce common application security issues?

- A. Elastic infrastructure
- B. Default deny
- C. Decreased use of micro-services
- D. Segregation by default
- E. Fewer serverless configurations

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 95

Which of the following is NOT normally a method for detecting and preventing data migration into the cloud?

- A. Intrusion Prevention System
- B. URL filters
- C. Data Loss Prevention
- D. Cloud Access and Security Brokers (CASB)
- E. Database Activity Monitoring

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 96

Use elastic servers when possible and move workloads to new instances.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 97

In volume storage, what method is often used to support resiliency and security?

- A. proxy encryption
- B. data rights management
- C. hypervisor agents
- D. data dispersion
- E. random placement

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 102

What are the primary security responsibilities of the cloud provider in the management infrastructure?

- A. Building and properly configuring a secure network infrastructure
- B. Configuring second factor authentication across the network
- C. Properly configuring the deployment of the virtual network, especially the firewalls
- D. Properly configuring the deployment of the virtual network, except the firewalls
- E. Providing as many API endpoints as possible for custom access and configurations

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 107

CCM: In the CCM tool, "Encryption and Key Management" is an example of which of the following?

- A. Risk Impact
- B. Domain
- C. Control Specification

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 109

When investigating an incident in an Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) environment, what can the user investigate on their own?

- A. The CSP server facility
- B. The logs of all customers in a multi-tenant cloud
- C. The network components controlled by the CSP
- D. The CSP office spaces
- E. Their own virtual instances in the cloud

**Answer:** E

#### NEW QUESTION 112

ENISA: Lock-in is ranked as a high risk in ENISA research, a key underlying vulnerability causing lock in is:

- A. Lack of completeness and transparency in terms of use
- B. Lack of information on jurisdictions
- C. No source escrow agreement
- D. Unclear asset ownership
- E. Audit or certification not available to customers

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 114

Which of the following is a perceived advantage or disadvantage of managing enterprise risk for cloud deployments?

- A. More physical control over assets and processes.
- B. Greater reliance on contracts, audits, and assessments due to lack of visibility or management.
- C. Decreased requirement for proactive management of relationship and adherence to contracts.
- D. Increased need, but reduction in costs, for managing risks accepted by the cloud provider.
- E. None of the above.

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 118

Which term is used to describe the use of tools to selectively degrade portions of the cloud to continuously test business continuity?



- A. Planned Outages
- B. Resiliency Planning
- C. Expected Engineering
- D. Chaos Engineering
- E. Organized Downtime

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 123

For third-party audits or attestations, what is critical for providers to publish and customers to evaluate?

- A. Scope of the assessment and the exact included features and services for the assessment
- B. Provider infrastructure information including maintenance windows and contracts
- C. Network or architecture diagrams including all end point security devices in use
- D. Service-level agreements between all parties
- E. Full API access to all required services

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 125

What can be implemented to help with account granularity and limit blast radius with IaaS and PaaS?

- A. Configuring secondary authentication
- B. Establishing multiple accounts
- C. Maintaining tight control of the primary account holder credentials
- D. Implementing least privilege accounts
- E. Configuring role-based authentication

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 126

What is the most significant security difference between traditional infrastructure and cloud computing?

- A. Management plane
- B. Intrusion detection options
- C. Secondary authentication factors
- D. Network access points
- E. Mobile security configuration options

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 128

To understand their compliance alignments and gaps with a cloud provider, what must cloud customers rely on?

- A. Provider documentation
- B. Provider run audits and reports
- C. Third-party attestations
- D. Provider and consumer contracts
- E. EDiscovery tools

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 129

Which communication methods within a cloud environment must be exposed for partners or consumers to access database information using a web application?

- A. Software Development Kits (SDKs)
- B. Resource Description Framework (RDF)
- C. Extensible Markup Language (XML)
- D. Application Binary Interface (ABI)
- E. Application Programming Interface (API)

**Answer:** E

#### NEW QUESTION 131

The Software Defined Perimeter (SDP) includes which components?

- A. Client, Controller, and Gateway
- B. Client, Controller, Firewall, and Gateway
- C. Client, Firewall, and Gateway
- D. Controller, Firewall, and Gateway
- E. Client, Controller, and Firewall

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 135



Your SLA with your cloud provider ensures continuity for all services.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 140**

Big data includes high volume, high variety, and high velocity.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 144**

CCM: The following list of controls belong to which domain of the CCM?

GRM 06 – Policy GRM 07 – Policy Enforcement GRM 08 – Policy Impact on Risk Assessments GRM 09 – Policy Reviews GRM 10 – Risk Assessments GRM 11 – Risk Management Framework

- A. Governance and Retention Management
- B. Governance and Risk Management
- C. Governing and Risk Metrics

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 149**

Which statement best describes the Data Security Lifecycle?

- A. The Data Security Lifecycle has six stages, is strictly linear, and never varies.
- B. The Data Security Lifecycle has six stages, can be non-linear, and varies in that some data may never pass through all stages.
- C. The Data Security Lifecycle has five stages, is circular, and varies in that some data may never pass through all stages.
- D. The Data Security Lifecycle has six stages, can be non-linear, and is distinct in that data must always pass through all phases.
- E. The Data Security Lifecycle has five stages, can be non-linear, and is distinct in that data must always pass through all phases.

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 153**

Sending data to a provider's storage over an API is likely as much more reliable and secure than setting up your own SFTP server on a VM in the same provider

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 157**

What is known as the interface used to connect with the metastructure and configure the cloud environment?

- A. Administrative access
- B. Management plane
- C. Identity and Access Management
- D. Single sign-on
- E. Cloud dashboard

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 158**

APIs and web services require extensive hardening and must assume attacks from authenticated and unauthenticated adversaries.

- A. False
- B. True

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 160**

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