

**PRACTICE QUESTIONS**  
**NCFM Pro – Cyber Security**

1. Which of the following is a type of cyber threat? **[1Mark]**

- a) Phishing
- b) Email
- c) Antivirus
- d) Firewall

**Correct Answer: Phishing**

2. What is the main purpose of encryption? **[1Mark]**

- a) Convert data into a secret code
- b) Speed up data transmission
- c) Decrease file size
- d) Create data backups

**Correct Answer: Convert data into a secret code**

3. Which type of malware is designed to encrypt the victim's files and demand ransom for decryption? **[2Marks]**

- a) Virus
- b) Trojan
- c) Worm
- d) Ransomware

**Correct Answer: Ransomware**

4. What distinguishes an Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) from other cyber threats?

**[3 Marks]**

- a) Its use of malware
- b) Its focus on individual users
- c) Its long-term presence in a network
- d) Its targeting of financial data

**Correct Answer: Its long-term presence in a network**

5. What aspect of the CIA Triad ensures data is accessible when needed? **[2 Marks]**

- a) Confidentiality
- b) Availability
- c) Integrity
- d) Authentication

**Correct Answer: Availability**

6. Which component of the CIA Triad ensures data remains accurate and unaltered?

**[2 Marks]**

- a) Integrity
- b) Confidentiality
- c) Availability
- d) Authorization

**Correct Answer: Phishing**

7. What is a major benefit of implementing Micro-Segmentation in the Zero Trust Model?

**[2 Marks]**

- a) It restricts lateral movement of attackers within the network
- b) It simplifies network management
- c) It allows unrestricted access to data
- d) It decreases the need for authentication

**Correct Answer: It restricts lateral movement of attackers within the network**

8. How does Continuous Monitoring in the Zero Trust Model enhance an organization's security posture?

**[2 Marks]**

- a) By only focusing on external security threats
- b) By simplifying the authentication process
- c) Through ongoing scrutiny of network traffic and user behaviours
- d) By reducing the need for security protocols

**Correct Answer: Through ongoing scrutiny of network traffic and user behaviours**

9. What does VPN stand for?

**[1 Mark]**

- a) Virtual Private Network
- b) Virtual Public Network
- c) Variable Private Network
- d) Vital Protection Network

**Correct Answer: Virtual Private Network**

10. What type of encryption does a VPN typically use to secure data transmission?

**[2 Marks]**

- a) AES
- b) Base64
- c) MD5
- d) RSA

**Correct Answer: AES**

11. What is the primary function of Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS) in network security? **[2 Marks]**

- a) Monitoring network traffic
- b) Providing encryption
- c) Actively preventing security threats
- d) Logging user activities

**Correct Answer: Actively preventing security threats**

12. What does DDoS stand for? **[1 Mark]**

- a) Distributed Denial of Service
- b) Digital Data of Service
- c) Direct Denial of Service
- d) Dynamic Denial of Service

**Correct Answer: Distributed Denial of Service**

13. IoT-based attacks primarily target? **[2 Marks]**

- a) Cloud storage
- b) Network servers
- c) Offline computers
- d) Internet-connected devices

**Correct Answer: Internet-connected devices**

14. What is a Zero-Day Exploit? **[3 Marks]**

- a) Unknown software vulnerability
- b) Known software vulnerability
- c) New software feature
- d) Recently patched software

**Correct Answer: Unknown software vulnerability**

15. Which of the following is a method to ensure data integrity? **[1 Mark]**

- a) Digital signatures
- b) Data compression
- c) Data replication
- d) Data encryption

**Correct Answer: Digital signatures**

16. What is the main purpose of using a VPN? **[1 Mark]**

- a) To secure data transmission
- b) To increase internet speed
- c) To bypass network restrictions
- d) To monitor network traffic

**Correct Answer:** To secure data transmission

17. What is a primary security concern with IoT devices? **[2 Marks]**

- a) Lack of robust security features
- b) High power consumption
- c) Incompatibility with older networks
- d) Difficulty in connecting to Wi-Fi networks

**Correct Answer:** Lack of robust security features

18. What is the main security benefit of using DNSSEC? **[3 Marks]**

- a) Increasing browsing speed
- b) Reducing data usage
- c) Encrypting website content
- d) Authenticating DNS data

**Correct Answer:** Authenticating DNS data

19. Why is regular firmware updating crucial for IoT device security? **[3 Marks]**

- a) To patch security vulnerabilities
- b) To maintain device compatibility
- c) To improve device aesthetics
- d) To increase battery life

**Correct Answer:** To patch security vulnerabilities

20. Which protocol is used for file transfers? **[1 Mark]**

- a) HTTP
- b) SMTP
- c) IMAP
- d) FTP

**Correct Answer:** FTP

21. In a network, what is the primary purpose of a subnet mask? **[1 Mark]**

- a) To divide IP addresses into network and host parts
- b) To encrypt data
- c) To increase bandwidth
- d) To identify the type of network

**Correct Answer:** To divide IP addresses into network and host parts

22. Which protocol is commonly used for secure communication over the Internet?

**[1 Mark]**

- a) HTTP
- b) FTP
- c) HTTPS
- d) SMTP

**Correct Answer: HTTPS**

23. Why is regular software updating important in web security?

**[1 Mark]**

- a) A list of the most critical web application security risks
- b) A list of top ten web designers
- c) A ranking of the best web servers
- d) A collection of the most popular web technologies

**Correct Answer: A list of the most critical web application security risks**

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**Correct Answer: A list of the most critical web application security risks**

25. Which algorithm is commonly used in Public Key Cryptography?

**[2 Marks]**

- a) SHA-256
- b) AES
- c) MD5
- d) RSA

**Correct Answer: RSA**