

# BCS Level 4 Certificate in Information and Cyber Security Foundations QAN 603/3214/1

## Specimen Paper A

Record your surname / last / family name and initials on the answer sheet.

**Sample paper only 20 multiple-choice questions** – 1 mark awarded to each question.  
Mark only one answer to each question. There are no trick questions.

A number of possible answers are given for each question, indicated by either **A. B. C. or D.** Your answers should be clearly indicated on the answer sheet.

Pass mark is 13/20.

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- 1 Which of these **SHOULD** be used to increase security awareness?
- a) Webinars.
  - b) Newsletters.
  - c) Blogs.
  - d) Texts.
- A** a, b and c only.  
**B** a, b and d only.  
**C** b, c and d only.  
**D** a, c and d only.
- 2 Which of these is a recognised industry source of information on security threats and vulnerabilities?
- A** SANS.  
**B** ISC2.  
**C** Secunia.  
**D** CERT.
- 3 Why is cyber security important for SMEs?
- A** It helps them to ensure that they are compliant with the local legal and regulatory framework.  
**B** It isn't important as SMEs are not subject to the same legal and regulatory framework as large enterprises.  
**C** Without it, large enterprises would be able to take advantage of SMEs.  
**D** It helps them to gain business advantage over large enterprises.
- 4 An incident is suspected, and in response system administrator passwords are changed. This is an example of which type of response?
- A** Legal.  
**B** Eradication.  
**C** Containment.  
**D** Exploitation.

**5** Which of these are reasons to carry out security auditing?

- a) Improved patch management.
- b) Improved user training.
- c) Improved hardware configuration.
- d) Improved software configuration.

- A** a, b and c only.
- B** b, c and d only.
- C** a, b and d only.
- D** a, c and d only.

**6** Which type of signature identifies a sequence of actions distributed across multiple hosts?

- A** Composite.
- B** Atomic.
- C** String.
- D** Multi-string.

**7** Which of these are part of the impact analysis stage of the business continuity management lifecycle?

- a) BIA.
- b) CIA.
- c) TRA.
- d) NSA.

- A** a and b only.
- B** a and c only.
- C** b and c only.
- D** b and d only.

**8** Client-side scripts are injected into web pages viewed by other users. What type of attack is this?

- A** SQLi.
- B** MitM.
- C** XSS.
- D** DoS.

- 9 Risk assessment allows an organisation to do which of the following?
- A Cut costs.
  - B Cut staff.
  - C Increase security.
  - D Increase staff.
- 10 An analyst cannot track a user's use of an application. What does this allow?
- A Discoverability.
  - B Repudiation.
  - C Vulnerability.
  - D Escalation.
- 11 At which point in the design process **SHOULD** security architecture interact with enterprise architecture?
- A Once the enterprise architecture has been decided.
  - B It is a continual process to be reviewed constantly.
  - C Only during the initial design phase.
  - D During the risk assessment stage.
- 12 Which organisation published Risk IT and COBIT?
- A BCS.
  - B BSI.
  - C ISACA.
  - D ISSA.
- 13 'A centrally managed framework for keeping an organisation's information safe.'  
What does this describe?
- A An information security management system.
  - B A software development management system.
  - C A network management system.
  - D A firewall management system.

- 14 Which of these relate to incident response and business continuity management?
- a) Identification.
  - b) Containment.
  - c) Recovery.
  - d) Redundancy.
- A a, b and c only.  
B a, b and d only.  
C b, c and d only.  
D a, c and d only.
- 15 Which of these is a likely result of poor security management?
- A Improved corporate reputation.  
B Improved revenues.  
C Damaged intellectual property.  
D Reduced staffing levels.
- 16 Which of these defines security architecture?
- A A design that addresses the needs and potential risk of a particular environment.  
B A universally applicable design that addresses needs and potential risks.  
C A design that states the needs of an environment.  
D A design controlled by user acceptance and requirements.
- 17 When **SHOULD** penetration testing be carried out?
- A After system changes have been made.  
B Before hardware is decommissioned.  
C After a security audit had been completed.  
D During system changes.

**18** Which of the following are principles of the Risk IT methodology?

- a) Align the IT risk management with ERM.
- b) Balance the costs and benefits of IT risk management.
- c) Assess maturity and capability per process and help to address gaps.
- d) Promote fair and open communication of IT risks.

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- B** b, c and d only.
- C** a, c and d only.
- D** a, b and d only.

**19** A botnet is a network of what type of systems?

- A** Handler.
- B** Zombie.
- C** Legacy.
- D** Phone.

**20** Which of these is a characteristic of a targeted attack?

- A** Spam email.
- B** Spear phishing.
- C** Worm.
- D** Network sniffing.

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