

Hack-Proof Your Habits: 6th Grade Cyber Strategy Quiz

Evaluate digital defense methods by analyzing polymorphic malware threats and the efficacy of zero-trust verification protocols in modern networking.

1. An attacker uses a 'Man-in-the-Middle' (MitM) attack to intercept data on an unencrypted public Wi-Fi network. Which technology would have been the most effective preventative measure for the user?

- A. Incognito or Private browsing mode
- B. A Virtual Private Network (VPN) tunnel
- C. Clearing the browser cache regularly
- D. Increasing the screen brightness

2. When an individual receives a highly personalized email that uses their real name and mentions a recent specific purchase to trick them into clicking a malicious link, this targeted attack is known as _____.

- A. General Phishing
- B. Smishing
- C. Spear Phishing
- D. Vishing

3. Biometric authentication, such as facial recognition or fingerprint scanning, is considered a 'something you are' factor in multi-factor authentication.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Consider the 'Internet of Things' (IoT). Why does a smart refrigerator or a web-connected thermostat often pose a significant cybersecurity risk to a home network?

- A. They use too much electricity, causing firewalls to fail
- B. They often lack robust security updates and use default passwords
- C. They convert digital signals into analog waves that bypass routers
- D. They are too small to contain encryption software

5. If a hacker locks a local library's database and demands a payment in cryptocurrency to provide the decryption key, the library is a victim of a _____ attack.

- A. Adware
- B. Spyware
- C. Ransomware
- D. Trojan Horse

6. Using the same strong, complex password across multiple banking and social media accounts is an effective way to maintain high security.

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- A. True
- B. False

7. Which of these is the most sophisticated way to verify if a website is authentic and uses HTTPS encryption?

- A. Checking if the website looks professional and has no typos
- B. Clicking the 'About Us' page to see if there is a phone number
- C. Inspecting the site's SSL/TLS certificate details in the browser
- D. Searching for the website on a social media platform

8. The security principle of _____ suggests that a user should only be given the minimum levels of access – or permissions – needed to perform their job.

- A. Maximum Redundancy
- B. Least Privilege
- C. Open Access
- D. Social Engineering

9. Software 'patches' and updates are primarily released to add new cosmetic features, and ignoring them does not impact the security of the device.

- A. True
- B. False

10. In the context of incident response, why is it critical to 'isolate' a device from the network immediately after discovering a malware infection?

- A. To prevent the malware from spreading to other connected devices
- B. To allow the battery to charge faster for the cleanup
- C. Because malware cannot live on a device that isn't online
- D. To notify the internet service provider automatically