



TALKING TACTICS:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

Cybersecurity Defensive Tactics for Common Attack Types





COMPROMISED ACCOUNT



Attacker gains access to internal account



Off-hour logins
Group changes
Abnormally high network traffic



Active directory logs
OS logs
Network traffic
Contact user



Disable the account
Change the password
Forensic investigation

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BRUTE FORCE



Attacker attempting access through multiple passwords



Multiple login failures in a short period of time



Active directory logs
Application logs
System logs
Contact user



Disable the account
Block and investigate the attacker

SYMBOL KEY



What is it?



Indicators



Investigation Locations



Possible Actions

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BOTNETS



Software runs automated tasks on victims' devices, usually to create DDOS attacks



Connections to suspicious IPs
Abnormally high volume of network traffic



Network traffic
OS logs
Contact server owner
Contact support team



Isolate server
Remove malicious processes
Patch the vulnerability

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RANSOMWARE



Malware encrypts selective files on a device and creates a ransom note



Anti-virus alerts
Connections to suspicious IPs
High volume of file changes/update logs



AV logs
OS logs
Account logs
Network traffic



Isolate the device
Run anti-virus from USB or external drive (not compromised AV)

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DATA EXFILTRATION



Sensitive data being copied/moved out of the environment without authorization



Abnormally high network traffic
Connections to cloud storage solutions (Box, Dropbox, AnonFTP, etc.)
Unusual USB stick



Network traffic logs
Proxy logs
OS logs



Isolate the device
Disconnect from network
Run full forensic analysis

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DENIAL OF SERVICE (DDOS)



Intentional paralysis of a network by flooding it with data from several devices



Abnormally high network traffic towards a specific device



Network traffic logs
Firewall logs
OS logs



Contact ISP
Apply needed patches
Contact network support

ADVANCED PERSISTENT THREATS (APTs)



State sponsored
attackers that
compromise
networks and create
back doors



Connection to
suspicious IPs
Abnormally high
network traffic
Off-hours
access logs



Network traffic logs
Access logs
OS logs
Contact server owner



Isolate the device
Run full
forensic analysis
(hard to detect)

New Admin accounts

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