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Exam Questions 220-1202

CompTIA A+ Certification Exam: Core 2

NEW QUESTION 1
The screen of a previously working computer repeatedly displays an OS Not Found error message when the computer is started. Only a USB drive, a keyboard, and a mouse are plugged into the computer. Which of the following should a technician do first?

A. Run data recovery tools on the disk
B. Partition the disk using the GPT format
C. Check boot options
D. Switch from UEFI to BIOS

Answer: C

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
An "OS Not Found" error typically indicates that the computer is attempting to boot from a drive that doesn't contain a valid operating system or bootable partition. The presence of a USB drive might be confusing the boot order. Therefore, the first step a technician should take is to verify and adjust the boot sequence in the system??s firmware (BIOS or UEFI). It's possible that the USB drive is being prioritized over the internal hard drive, which may cause the system to miss the OS entirely.
* A. Running data recovery tools is premature before confirming boot order.
* B. Repartitioning the disk would destroy existing data—this should not be done until confirmed the OS is actually missing.
* D. Switching between UEFI and BIOS (legacy mode) might help in rare cases, but it is not the first step in standard OS boot issue troubleshooting.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.7: Troubleshoot common operating system problems. Study Guide Section: Boot process and boot order configuration.
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NEW QUESTION 2
Recently, the number of users sharing smartphone passcodes has increased. The management team wants a technician to deploy a more secure screen lock method. Which of the following technologies should the technician use?

A. Pattern lock
B. Facial recognition
C. Device encryption
D. Multifactor authentication

Answer: B

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Facial recognition is a biometric authentication method that ties access to a unique physical feature of the user. Unlike passcodes or pattern locks—which can be easily shared—facial recognition provides a more secure and non-transferable form of access. It also enhances user convenience and is widely supported by modern smartphones.
* A. Pattern locks can still be shared and are less secure.
* C. Device encryption protects data but does not prevent screen access if a passcode is shared.
* D. Multifactor authentication typically applies to app or account access, not basic phone unlocking.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast common security measures and authentication technologies.
Study Guide Section: Biometric screen lock technologies (e.g., facial recognition, fingerprint)
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NEW QUESTION 3
A company wants to use a single operating system for its workstations and servers and avoid licensing fees. Which of the following operating systems would the company most likely select?

A. Linux
B. Windows
C. macOS
D. Chrome OS

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Linux is an open-source operating system that is freely available and does not require traditional licensing fees. It is highly versatile and scalable, making it suitable for both workstations and servers. Many enterprise environments use Linux to reduce software costs and benefit from robust server features.
* B. Windows requires per-device or per-user licensing for both workstation and server editions.
* C. macOS is proprietary and limited to Apple hardware with licensing restrictions.
* D. Chrome OS is designed for lightweight devices and lacks server functionality. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.8 & 1.9: Identify common features and tools of the Linux client/desktop OS.
Study Guide Section: Open-source operating systems and licensing considerations
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NEW QUESTION 4
A technician is using a credential manager to safeguard a large number of credentials. Which of the following is important for using this application?

A. Restricted log-in times
B. Secure master password
C. TPM module
D. Windows lock screen

Answer: B

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Credential managers or password vaults (e.g., Windows Credential Manager, KeePass, or LastPass) store passwords securely. The integrity of such tools heavily depends on the strength of the master password protecting the vault. If compromised, all saved credentials could be exposed. Therefore, setting a secure master password is crucial.
* A. Login time restrictions are general user account settings, not specific to credential managers.
* C. TPM is used more commonly for full disk encryption, not specifically required for password managers.
* D. The lock screen protects general access but does not protect stored credentials alone. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast authentication technologies and secure credential storage.
Study Guide Section: Password management and protection best practices
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NEW QUESTION 5
A help desk team was alerted that a company-owned cell phone has an unrecognized password-cracking application. Which of the following should the help desk team do to prevent further unauthorized installations from occurring?

A. Configure Group Policy.
B. Implement PAM.
C. Install anti-malware software.
D. Deploy MDM.

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Mobile Device Management (MDM) is used to control, monitor, and enforce policies on mobile devices. It allows IT teams to restrict app installations, push approved apps, and monitor device compliance. Deploying MDM would prevent unauthorized applications, such as password crackers, from being installed on company-managed devices.
* A. Group Policy is for managing Windows environments and not applicable to smartphones.
* B. PAM (Privileged Access Management) controls administrative access, not app installation.
* C. Anti-malware can help detect malicious apps but doesn??t prevent their installation proactively.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast common security measures and tools.
Study Guide Section: Mobile Device Management (MDM) capabilities — app control, security enforcement

NEW QUESTION 6
A security administrator teaches all of an organization's staff members to use BitLocker To Go. Which of the following best describes the reason for this training?

A. To ensure that all removable media is password protected in case of loss or theft
B. To enable Secure Boot and a BIOS-level password to prevent configuration changes
C. To enforce VPN connectivity to be encrypted by hardware modules
D. To configure all laptops to use the TPM as an encryption factor for hard drives

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
BitLocker To Go is a Microsoft encryption feature specifically designed for removable drives such as USB flash drives and external hard drives. It allows users to protect the data on these devices by requiring a password to decrypt the contents, thereby preventing unauthorized access in the event the device is lost or stolen.
A is correct because BitLocker To Go is directly tied to password-protecting removable media.
B and C are unrelated to BitLocker To Go; Secure Boot and VPN encryption are entirely
different security layers.
D applies to BitLocker (not BitLocker To Go) and full disk encryption on internal drives using TPM.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast common security measures and tools.
Study Guide Section: Encryption technologies (BitLocker, BitLocker To Go)
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NEW QUESTION 7
Which of the following is used to apply corporate restrictions on an Apple device?

A. App Store
B. VPN configuration
C. Apple ID
D. Management profile

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
A management profile is used to enforce corporate policies on Apple devices. These profiles are installed via an MDM (Mobile Device Management) solution and control access, restrictions,Wi-Fi settings, app installations, and more. They??re critical for managing devices in a business environment.
* A. The App Store allows software downloads but doesn??t control policies.
* B. VPN configuration is used for secure remote connections, not enforcement of restrictions.
* C. Apple ID is for personal account access to Apple services, not corporate device management.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast security tools and MDM features.
Study Guide Section: Mobile device management and configuration profiles (Apple/iOS)

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NEW QUESTION 8
Which of the following file types would a desktop support technician most likely use to automate tasks for a Windows user log-in?

A. .bat
B. .sh
C. .py
D. .js

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
* A .bat file (batch file) is a script file in DOS, OS/2, and Microsoft Windows. It contains a series of commands that are executed by the command-line interpreter. In Windows environments, batch files are commonly used to automate log-in tasks, such as mapping network drives, launching applications, or setting environment variables during the user's logon process.
* B. .sh is a shell script used in Linux/Unix environments.
* C. .py is a Python script, which can be used for automation but is not commonly run directly at user logon in standard Windows environments.
* D. .js is JavaScript, used mainly in web development and not for system-level scripting in Windows logon automation.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.3: Use appropriate Microsoft operating system features and tools.
Study Guide Section: Scripting basics and file types for automation — .bat for Windows
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NEW QUESTION 9
A customer is unable to open some files on their system. Each time the customer attempts to open a file, the customer receives a message that the file is encrypted. Which of the following best describes this issue?

A. Keylogger
B. Ransomware
C. Phishing
D. Cryptominer

Answer: B

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Ransomware is a type of malware that encrypts the user's files and demands a payment (ransom) for the decryption key. When a user receives a message stating that their files are encrypted and cannot be accessed, ransomware is the most likely cause. The attacker??s goal is to hold the data hostage until the victim pays to restore access.
* A. Keylogger records keystrokes and doesn??t encrypt files.
* C. Phishing is a social engineering tactic to gather credentials, not to encrypt data.
* D. Cryptominer uses system resources to mine cryptocurrency, not encrypt files. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.3: Compare and contrast common types of malware and threats.
Study Guide Section: Ransomware behavior and user impact
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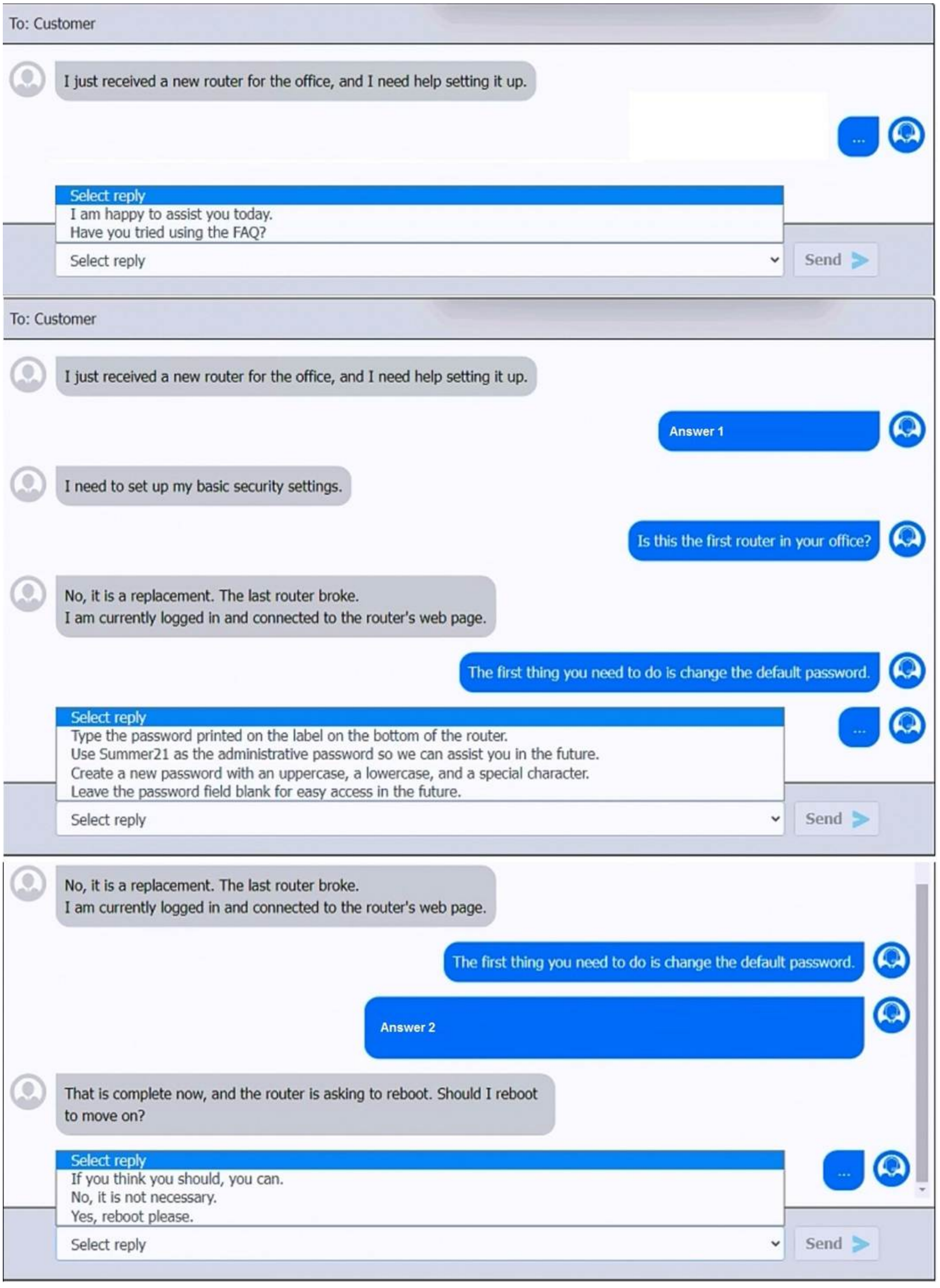
NEW QUESTION 10
SIMULATION
You have been contacted through the help desk chat application. A user is setting up a replacement SOHO router. Assist the user with setting up the router.
INSTRUCTIONS
Select the most appropriate statement for each response. Click the send button after each response to continue the chat.
If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please click the Reset All button.



A. Mastered
B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

Explanation:
First Chat Response:When the user mentions setting up a new router, the best initial response to maintain a helpful and professional tone is:
>Select reply:"I am happy to assist you today."
Second Chat Response:When the user states that they need to set up basic security settings:
>Select reply:"Is this the first router in your office?"
Third Chat Response:After learning it's a replacement router and the user is logged into the router's web page:
>Select reply:"The first thing you need to do is change the default password."
Fourth Chat Response:For the response about password settings:
>Select reply:"Create a new password with an uppercase, a lowercase, and a special character."
Fifth Chat Response:When the router prompts to reboot:
>Select reply:"Yes, reboot please."
Study Guide Reference: The CompTIA A+ Core 2 guide highlights the importance of changing default credentials and using strong password policies, particularly in SOHO environments where routers are often targeted.

NEW QUESTION 10
A user is experiencing issues with outdated images while browsing websites. Which of the following settings should a technician use to correct this issue?

A. Administrative Tools
B. Windows Defender Firewall
C. Internet Options
D. Ease of Access

Answer: C

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract: Outdated images and website data often result from cached files in the browser. The Internet Options panel in Windows (specifically under the General tab) allows users to clear browsing history, including cached images and files, which forces the browser to load the most current versions of web content.
* A. Administrative Tools is used for advanced system management, not browser settings.
* B. Windows Defender Firewall controls network traffic and security rules, not caching.
* D. Ease of Access provides accessibility features for users with disabilities — unrelated to web browsing issues.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 3.3: Troubleshoot common software and application issues.
Study Guide Section: Internet Options and browser cache clearing for display issues

NEW QUESTION 11
A technician is troubleshooting an issue in which a service runs momentarily and stops at certain points in the process. The technician needs to determine the root cause of this issue. Which of the following tools should the technician use?

A. Event Viewer
B. Task Manager
C. Internet Options
D. Process Explorer

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Event Viewer is the best tool to analyze the root cause of service failures in Windows. It provides detailed logs from system processes, including errors, warnings, and crash reports related to services and applications. When a service starts and stops unexpectedly, Event Viewer will often record the cause, such as dependency failures or access violations.
* B. Task Manager shows active processes but doesn't retain logs or causes of failure.
* C. Internet Options is used for configuring browser settings, not troubleshooting services.
* D. Process Explorer is powerful but more suited for live monitoring and detailed process trees, not post-failure log analysis.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 3.1: Given a scenario, troubleshoot common Windows OS problems.
Study Guide Section: Log file analysis using Event Viewer
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NEW QUESTION 14
An end user's laptop is having network drive connectivity issues in the office. The end user submits a help desk ticket, and a support technician is able to establish a remote connection and fix the issue. The following day, however, the network drive is disconnected again. Which of the following should the technician do next?

A. Connect remotely to the user's computer to see whether the network drive is still connected.
B. Send documentation about how to fix the issue in case it reoccurs.
C. Escalate the ticket to the next level.
D. Keep the ticket open until next day, then close the ticket.

Answer: C

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Since the issue has recurred after a temporary fix, it is likely a deeper or persistent configuration or server issue. Escalating the ticket to the next tier of support (e.g., network or system administrator) ensures further investigation and permanent resolution. Escalation is part of the standard support protocol when issues reoccur despite initial troubleshooting.
* A. Rechecking remotely may confirm the issue, but doesn??t resolve it long term.
* B. Providing documentation helps the user but doesn??t solve the root cause.
* D. Keeping the ticket open is passive and doesn??t address the recurring issue. Reference:

CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 4.1: Given a scenario, implement best practices associated with documentation and support systems information.
Study Guide Section: Escalation procedures and ticket management
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NEW QUESTION 15
An employee is using a photo editing program. Certain features are disabled and require a log-in, which the employee does not have. Which of the following is a way to resolve this issue?

A. License assignment
B. VPN connection
C. Application repair
D. Program reinstallation

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Many modern commercial software applications (including photo editors like Adobe Photoshop) offer tiered features based on user subscriptions or license levels. If certain features are locked and prompt for a login, the issue is likely due to a missing or unassigned software license. Assigning the correct license through a centralized license management system (such as Adobe Admin Console or Microsoft 365 portal) will enable those features.
* B. VPN connection does not affect local software licensing.
* C. Repairing the application does not resolve license entitlement.
* D. Reinstalling the software won??t help unless the license is assigned. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 3.3: Troubleshoot common software and application issues.
Study Guide Section: Troubleshooting licensing and access control for applications
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NEW QUESTION 16
A technician notices that the weekly backup is taking too long to complete. The daily backups are incremental. Which of the following would most likely resolve the issue?

A. Changing the backup window
B. Performing incremental weekly backups
C. Increasing the backup storage
D. Running synthetic full weekly backups

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
A synthetic full backup combines the last full backup with subsequent incremental backups to create a new full backup without re-reading data from the source system. This method significantly reduces the backup window and network impact. It is especially useful when traditional full backups are too time-consuming.
* A. Changing the backup window only shifts timing, not duration.
* B. Incremental weekly backups would lack a proper full recovery point and aren't ideal alone.
* C. Storage space isn't the bottleneck in backup speed—it??s read/write operations and network load.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 4.2: Summarize backup and recovery concepts.
Study Guide Section: Backup types — full, incremental, differential, and synthetic backups
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NEW QUESTION 21
A user is working from home and is unable to access work files on a company laptop. Which of the following should a technician configure to fix the network access issue?

A. Wide-area network
B. Wireless network
C. Proxy network settings
D. Virtual private network

Answer: D

Explanation:
A VPN creates a secure tunnel from the user??s home network into the corporate network, providing the necessary routing and access controls for the laptop to reach internal file servers. Without a VPN, the device remains outside the corporate LAN and cannot directly reach protected resources.
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NEW QUESTION 24
A computer technician is implementing a solution to support a new internet browsing policy for a customer's business. The policy prohibits users from accessing unauthorized websites based on categorization. Which of the following should the technician configure on the SOHO router?

A. Secure management access
B. Group Policy Editor
C. Content filtering
D. Firewall

Answer: C

Explanation:

Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Content filtering allows administrators to block or allow access to websites based on categories (e.g., social media, adult content, streaming). On a SOHO (Small Office/Home Office) router, this is often built-in or available via DNS-level filtering, and is the most appropriate method for enforcing browsing policies without needing to touch each individual device.
* A. Secure management access protects router admin interfaces but doesn??t control user browsing.
* B. Group Policy Editor is a Windows tool, not used on routers.
* D. A firewall can block specific IPs or ports, but it doesn't categorize web content. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 2.2: Compare and contrast security measures and tools. Study Guide Section: SOHO router security features — content filtering, parental controls

NEW QUESTION 26
Which of the following is a Linux command that is used for administrative purposes?

A. runas
B. cmcl
C. net user
D. su

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
The su (substitute user) command is used in Linux to switch to another user account, most commonly to escalate privileges by switching to the root (administrator) account. It allows administrative tasks to be performed in a terminal session.
* A. runas is a Windows command for executing a program under another user's context.
* B. cmcl is not a valid Linux or administrative command.
* C. net user is a Windows command for managing local user accounts.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.9: Identify common features and tools of the Linux client/desktop OS.
Study Guide Section: Linux command-line tools — su, sudo
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NEW QUESTION 30
SIMULATION
As a corporate technician, you are asked to evaluate several suspect email messages on a client's computer. Corporate policy requires the following:
>All phishing attempts must be reported.
>Future spam emails to users must be prevented. INSTRUCTIONS
Review each email and perform the following within the email:
>Classify the emails
>Identify suspicious items, if applicable, in each email
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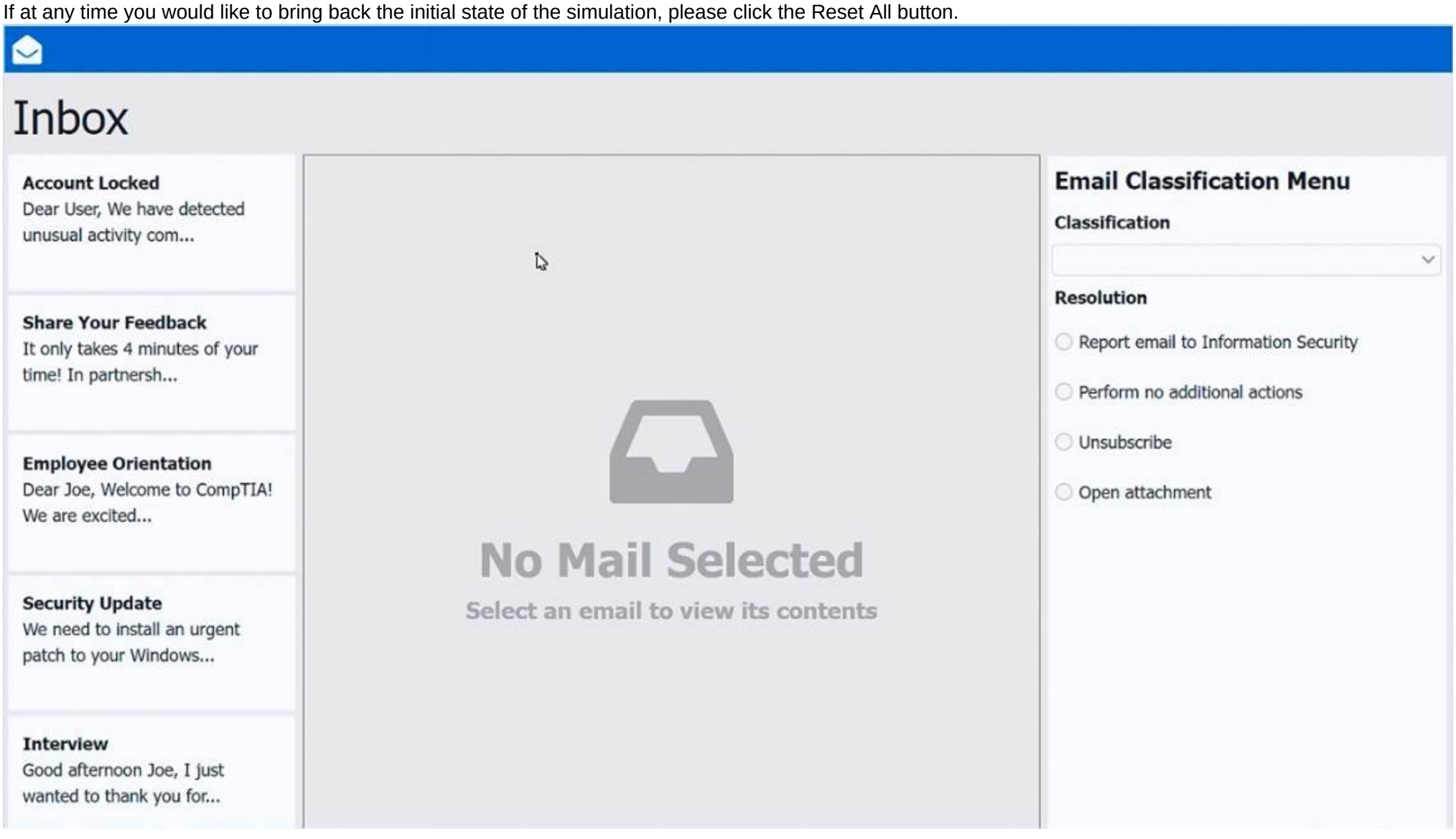

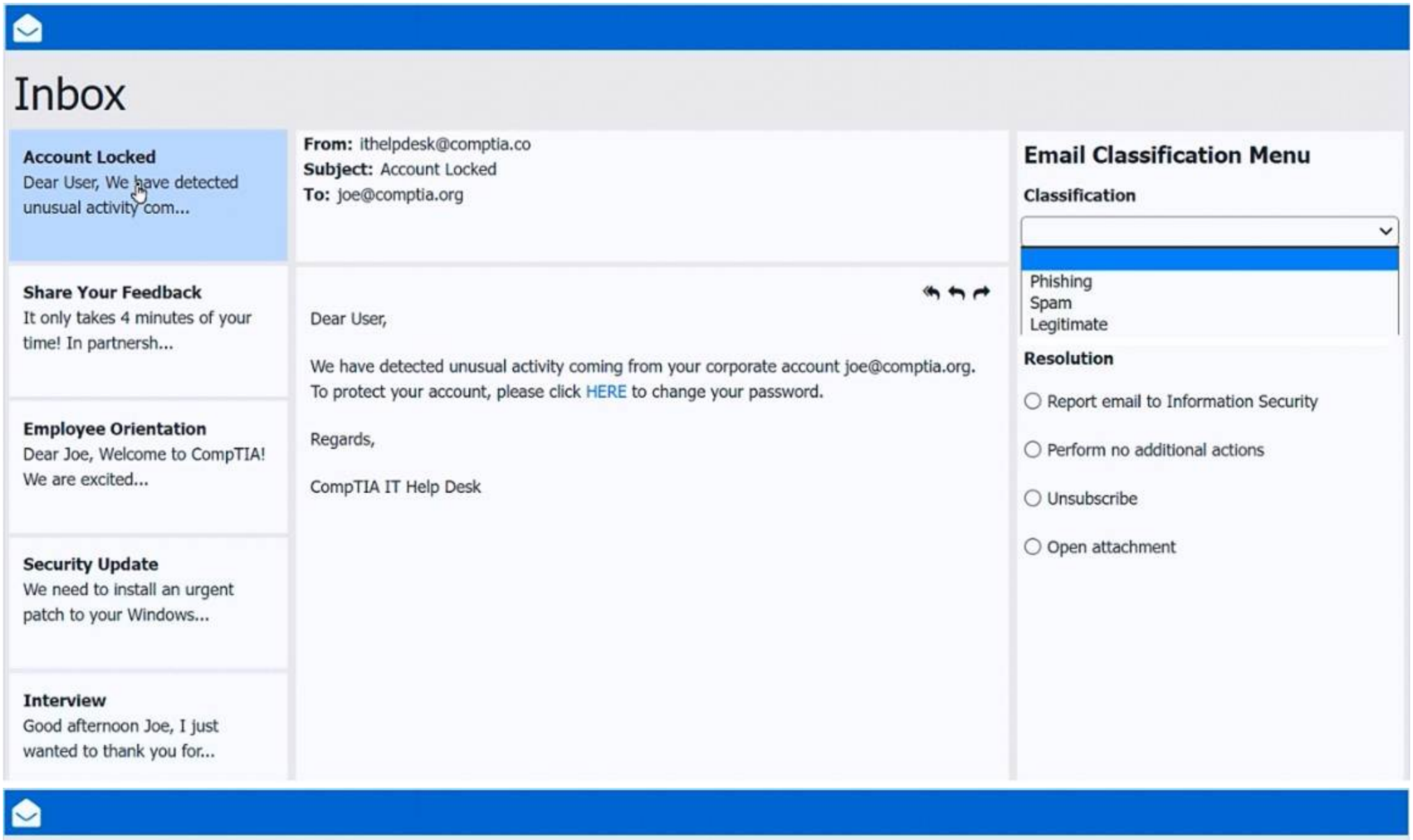
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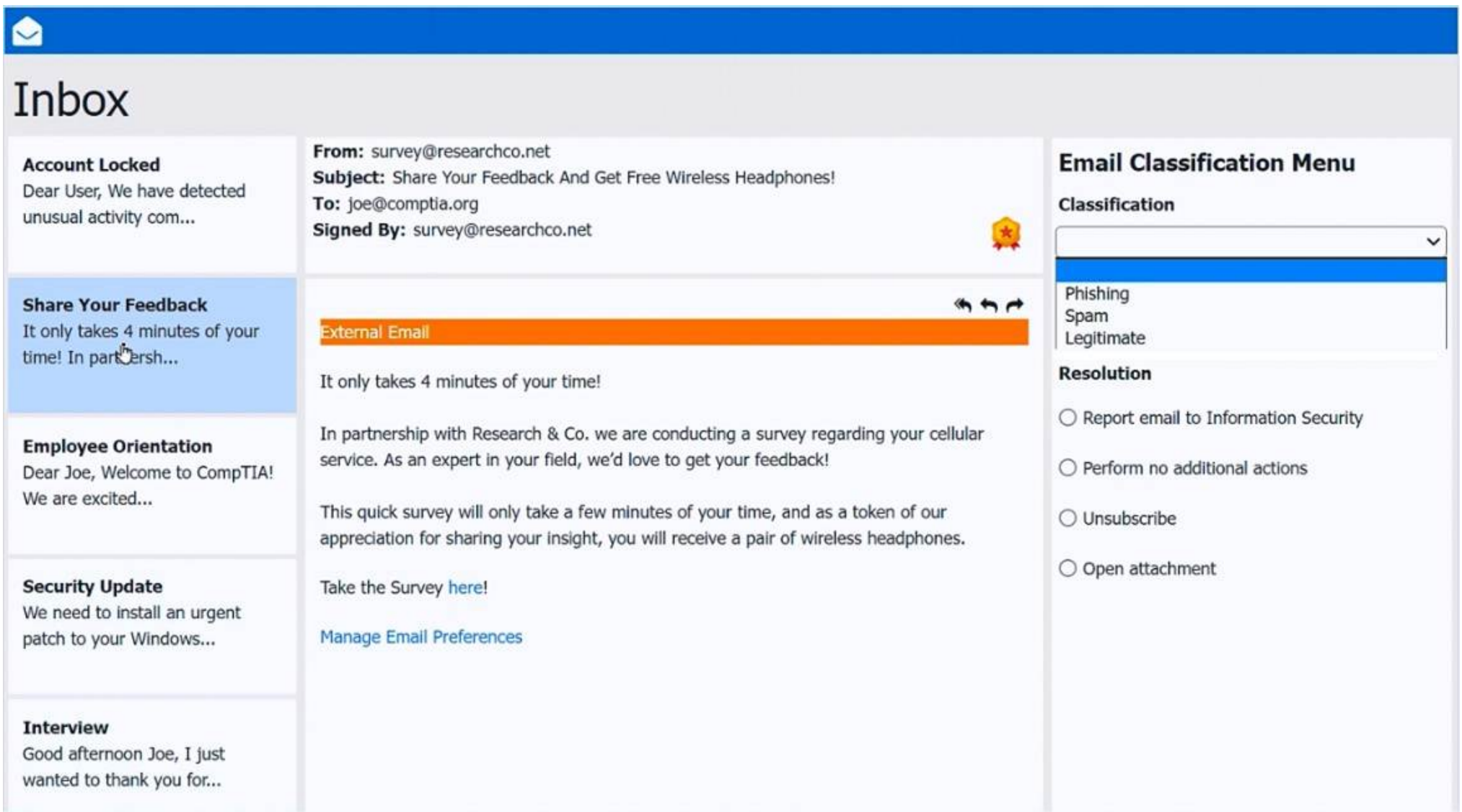
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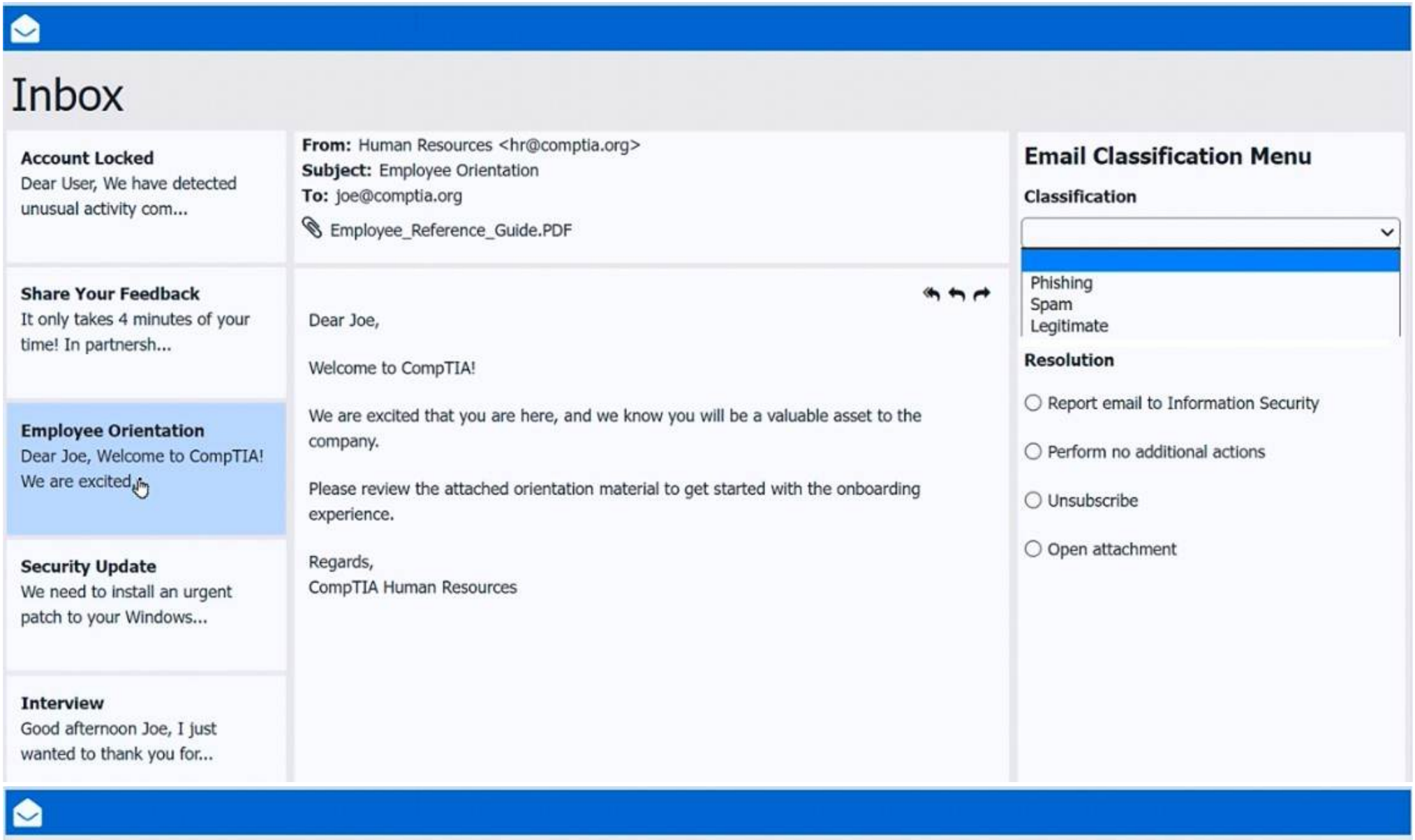
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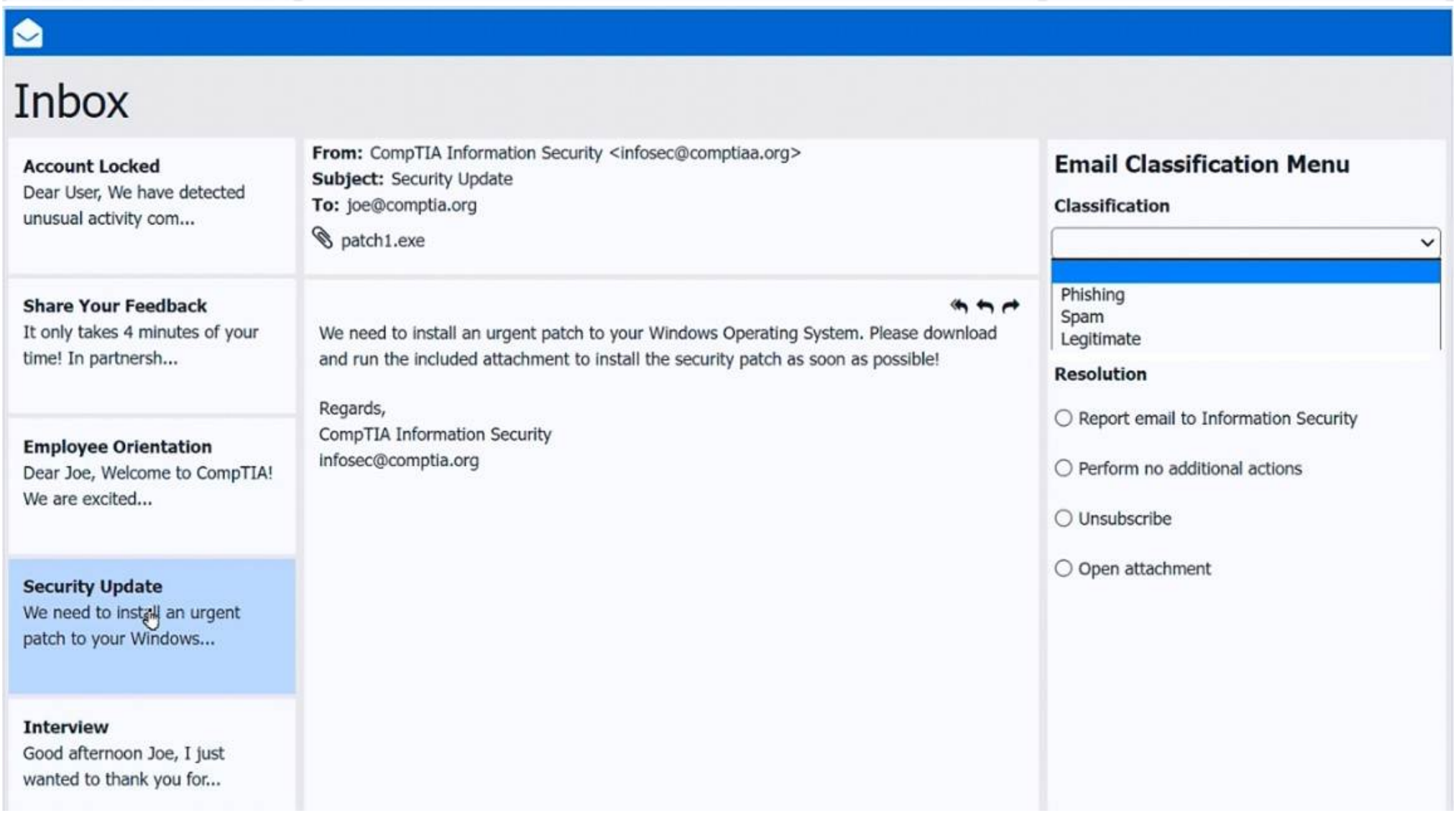
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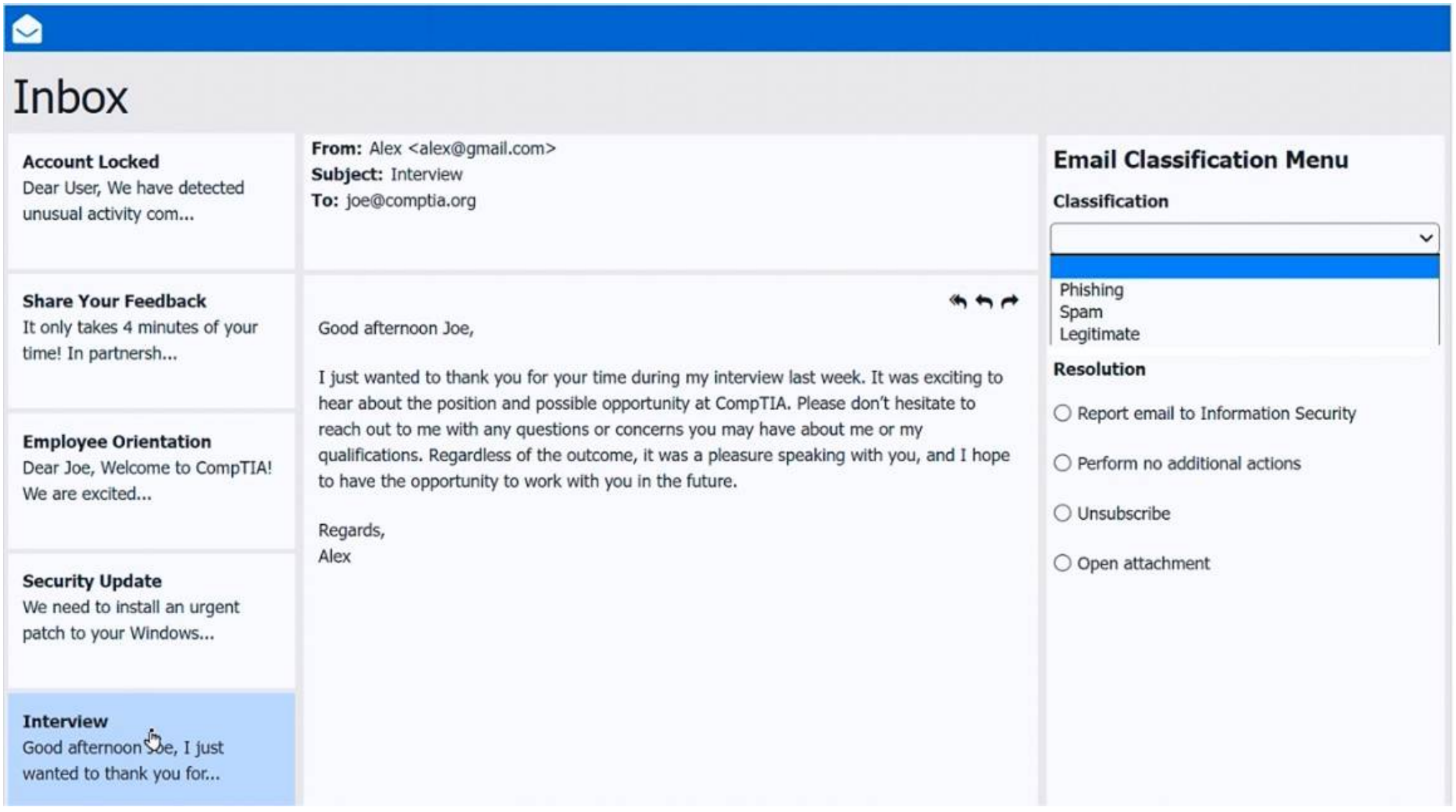

A. Mastered
B. Not Mastered

Answer: A

Explanation:
Inbox mail 1 -Account Locked- Phishing - Report email to Information Security
Inbox mail 2 -Share your feedback - Legitimate - Perform no additional actions
Inbox mail 3 –Employee orientation - Legitimate - Perform no additional actions
Inbox mail 4 –Security Update – Spam - Report email to Information Security
Inbox mail 5 –Interview - Legitimate - Perform no additional actions

NEW QUESTION 34
A help desk technician needs to remove RAM from retired workstations and upgrade other workstations that have applications that use more memory with this RAM. Which of the following actions would the technician most likely take?

A. Demagnetize memory for security.
B. Use antistatic bags for storage and transport.
C. Plug in the power supply to ground each workstation.
D. Install memory in identical pairs.

Answer: B

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
RAM is an electrostatic-sensitive component. When removing or transporting RAM modules, they should be stored in antistatic bags to protect against electrostatic discharge (ESD), which can damage the memory. This is a standard best practice in hardware handling.
* A. Demagnetization is not applicable to RAM.
* C. Plugging in power to ground is not safe or recommended for static protection.
* D. Installing identical memory pairs is applicable for dual-channel configuration, but not directly related to transporting or handling RAM.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 4.3: Explain environmental impacts and procedures. Study Guide Section: ESD safety practices and component handling procedures
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NEW QUESTION 38
A technician is assigned to offboard a user. Which of the following are common tasks on an offboarding checklist? (Choose two.)

A. Quarantine the hard drive in the user's laptop.
B. Deactivate the user's key fobs for door access.
C. Purge all PII associated with the user.
D. Suspend the user's email account.
E. Turn off the network ports underneath the user's desk.
F. Add the MAC address of the user's computer to a blocklist.

Answer: BD

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
User offboarding involves disabling the departing user's access to company systems and facilities. Two key tasks typically include:
? Deactivating physical access credentials (e.g., key fobs or badges) to prevent unauthorized entry (B).
? Suspending or disabling the user??s email account to prevent future use and to retain business communications (D).
* A. Quarantining a hard drive is not standard unless malware or legal issues are involved.
* C. Purging PII must follow legal retention policies; it's not typically an immediate offboarding task.
* E. Disabling network ports may be relevant in some cases but is not a standard offboarding step.
* F. Blocking MAC addresses is not typical unless the device is considered a security threat. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 4.1: Given a scenario, implement proper documentation and offboarding procedures.
Study Guide Section: User lifecycle management — onboarding and offboarding tasks
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NEW QUESTION 39
A user recently installed an application that accesses a database from a local server. When launching the application, it does not populate any information. Which of the following command-line tools is the best to troubleshoot the issue?

A. ipconfig
B. nslookup
C. netstat
D. curl

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
The scenario involves an application that should retrieve data from a local database server but is failing to do so. This likely indicates a problem in communication between the application and the database server (such as a network issue, port misconfiguration, or service unavailability). The correct troubleshooting approach involves testing the network/service connectivity between the client and the database.
Let??s examine the options:
? A. ipconfig:This command displays IP configuration details for Windows systems, such as IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway. While useful for diagnosing general networkissues, it does not test service connectivity or the availability of a specific application port/service.
? B. nslookup:Used to query DNS servers to resolve domain names to IP addresses.
However, since the question references a local server (likely accessed via IP or static hostname), DNS is probably not involved. Also, it does not test application/service availability.
? C. netstat:Displays active TCP connections, listening ports, and routing tables. It helps determine whether the local system is listening for or maintaining any network connections, but it does not initiate a connection to test availability. It??s diagnostic but not interactive for service testing.
? D. curl:This is the most appropriate tool for this scenario. curl is used to test connectivity to services over protocols like HTTP, HTTPS, FTP, and more. If the application retrieves data via a web interface or API (common in database-driven applications), curl can be used to test if the application can successfully reach and retrieve data from the server. It provides immediate, testable feedback on whether the server and service are available and responsive.
Example usage: curlhttp://localhost:8080/api/data
This command would test whether a local server's application programming interface (API) is available and responding on port 8080.
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Reference Points:
? Objective 2.4: Given a scenario, use appropriate tools to troubleshoot and support Windows OS issues.
? Objective 3.3: Use appropriate tools to troubleshoot and resolve issues.
? The CompTIA A+ Core 2 study guide references curl as a useful command-line utility for testing connectivity and troubleshooting application access to services.
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NEW QUESTION 42
A user's new smartphone is not staying charged throughout the day. The smartphone charges fully every night. Which of the following should a technician review first to troubleshoot the issue?

A. Storage usage
B. End of software support
C. Charger wattage
D. Background applications

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract: Background applications can significantly drain a smartphone??s battery, even when the device is idle. A technician should first review which apps are running in the background and consuming power through the battery usage section of the OS. Disabling or restricting power-hungry apps often resolves poor battery life.
* A. Storage usage doesn??t significantly affect battery life.
* B. End of software support is unrelated to battery performance unless it's causing inefficient processes, which would still be secondary.
* C. Charger wattage affects charging speed, not battery life after charging. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 3.3: Troubleshoot common mobile OS and application issues.
Study Guide Section: Diagnosing battery and app performance issues on mobile devices

NEW QUESTION 44
A support specialist needs to decide whether to install a 32-bit or 64-bit OS architecture on a new computer. Which of the following specifications will help the specialist determine which OS architecture to use?

A. 16GB RAM
B. Intel i7 CPU
C. 500GB HDD
D. 1Gbps Ethernet

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
The amount of installed RAM is the key factor in determining whether a 64-bit OS is needed. A 32-bit operating system cannot effectively address more than 4GB of RAM. Since this system has 16GB of RAM, a 64-bit OS is required to utilize the full memory.
* B. An Intel i7 CPU supports both 32-bit and 64-bit OS installations, so it alone doesn??t determine the need.
* C. HDD size does not influence OS architecture selection.
* D. Ethernet speed is a network consideration and not related to OS architecture. Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.4: Given a scenario, choose the appropriate Microsoft OS installation methods and configurations.
Study Guide Section: 32-bit vs. 64-bit system requirements and memory limitations
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NEW QUESTION 47
A customer wants to be able to work from home but does not want to be responsible for bringingcompany equipment back and forth. Which of the following would allow the user to remotely access and use a Windows PC at the main office? (Choose two.)

A. SPICE
B. SSH
C. RDP
D. VPN
E. RMM
F. WinRM

Answer: CD

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract: To work remotely without physically transporting a workstation, the user needs:
? C. RDP (Remote Desktop Protocol): Allows graphical remote access to a Windows
PC at the office.
? D. VPN (Virtual Private Network): Establishes a secure tunnel to access the corporate network remotely, making the internal PC reachable.
* A. SPICE is used in virtual machine environments and is not typically used for end-user remote desktop access.
* B. SSH is a text-based remote access tool used mostly for Linux systems.
* E. RMM (Remote Monitoring and Management) is used by IT administrators for support — not end-user remote access.
* F. WinRM is used for Windows remote management via PowerShell, not for full desktop access.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objectives 2.2 & 4.4: Compare and contrast security tools and remote access methods.
Study Guide Section: Remote access tools — RDP and VPN for secure remote work

NEW QUESTION 48
A help desk technician is setting up speech recognition on a Windows system. Which of the following settings should the technician use?

A. Time and Language
B. Personalization
C. System
D. Ease of Access

Answer: D

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
In Windows, accessibility tools such as speech recognition are found under the Ease of Access settings. This section includes options for users who require assistive technologies, including screen readers, magnifiers, and voice control interfaces like speech recognition. Setting up speech recognition allows users to control the system and input text using voice commands.
* A. Time and Language is for setting regional preferences and language packs.
* B. Personalization adjusts themes, backgrounds, and colors.
* C. System includes display, storage, notifications, and power settings, but not accessibility tools.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 1.3: Given a scenario, use appropriate Microsoft operating system features and tools.
Study Guide Section: Accessibility tools and system configuration
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NEW QUESTION 51
A user reports getting a BSOD (Blue Screen of Death) error on their computer at least twice a day. Which of the following should the technician use to determine the cause?

A. Event Viewer
B. Performance Monitor
C. System Information
D. Device Manager

Answer: A

Explanation:
Comprehensive and Detailed Explanation From Exact Extract:
Event Viewer is the primary tool used to investigate system-level errors and logs, including BSODs. When a BSOD occurs, Windows logs the error codes and associated system behavior under ??System?? logs in Event Viewer. This allows the technician to review crash events, identify error codes (e.g., STOP codes), and pinpoint hardware or driver issues.
* B. Performance Monitor is used for real-time performance tracking and trend analysis, not crash logs.
* C. System Information displays system specs but not crash logs or events.

* D. Device Manager shows device status and driver issues but doesn??t retain error logs related to BSODs.
Reference:
CompTIA A+ 220-1102 Objective 3.1: Given a scenario, troubleshoot common Windows OS problems.
Study Guide Section: Troubleshooting BSODs using Event Viewer and system logs
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NEW QUESTION 54
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