



CWNP CSAE-101

**CWNP Security Administrator and Engineer Certification Questions
& Answers**

Exam Summary – Syllabus – Questions

CSAE-101

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40 Questions Exam – 70% Cut Score – Duration of 100 minutes

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Know Your CSAE-101 Certification Well:

The CSAE-101 is best suitable for candidates who want to gain knowledge in the CWNP Wireless IoT solutions. Before you start your CSAE-101 preparation you may struggle to get all the crucial Security Administrator and Engineer materials like CSAE-101 syllabus, sample questions, study guide.

But don't worry the CSAE-101 PDF is here to help you prepare in a stress-free manner.

The PDF is a combination of all your queries like-

- What is in the CSAE-101 syllabus?
- How many questions are there in the CSAE-101 exam?
- Which Practice test would help me to pass the CSAE-101 exam at the first attempt?

Passing the CSAE-101 exam makes you CWNP Certified Security Administrator and Engineer. Having the Security Administrator and Engineer certification opens multiple opportunities for you. You can grab a new job, get a higher salary or simply get recognition within your current organization.

CWNP CSAE-101 Security Administrator and Engineer Certification Details:

Exam Name	CWNP Security Administrator and Engineer
Exam Code	CSAE-101
Exam Price	\$399 USD
Duration	100 minutes
Number of Questions	40
Passing Score	70%
Recommended Training	Prometric
Sample Questions	CWNP CSAE-101 Sample Questions
Practice Exam	CWNP Certified Security Administrator and Engineer Practice Test

CSAE-101 Syllabus:

Section	Weight	Objectives
Security Concepts and Terminology	15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand and evaluate security controls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security control categories and types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technical controls - Managerial controls - Operational controls - Physical controls • Defense-in-depth strategies • Control effectiveness measurement and validation • Gap analysis and remediation planning - Explain how the following core security principles apply to enterprise environments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIA triad implementation (Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability) • Non-repudiation mechanisms • AAA framework deployment (Authentication, Authorization, Accounting) • Zero Trust architecture • Control plane and data plane security • Policy-driven access control systems • Policy enforcement points - Describe and distinguish among these physical security systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access control systems and badge management • Video surveillance systems (CCTV, IP cameras) • Environmental controls (HVAC, fire suppression) • Physical intrusion detection sensors • Lighting and perimeter security • Security guard operations and integration

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Describe and distinguish among these deception and disruption technologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honeypot deployment and management • Honeynet architecture design • Honeyfile and honeytokens strategies • Integration with threat intelligence platforms • Deception technology for threat detection - Explain these cryptographic solutions and the roles they play in enterprise security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PKI infrastructure deployment and management • Certificate lifecycle management (issuance, renewal, revocation) • Encryption implementation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full-disk encryption - Partition encryption - File encryption - Volume encryption - Database encryption - Transport encryption • Key management systems and HSM integration • Digital signatures and key stretching • Hashing and salting techniques • Blockchain and open public ledger technologies • Certificate management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificate Authority (CA) - Certificate Revocation List (CRL) - Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) - Certificate Signing Request (CSR) generation - Understand how to apply change management processes for security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security-focused change approval workflows

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact analysis and risk assessment for changes • Backout plans and rollback procedures • Configuration management and version control • Documentation standards for security changes • Stakeholder management in change processes
Threats and Vulnerabilities	15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analyze threat actors, attributes, and motivations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Threat actor types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nation-state actors - Organized crime - Hacktivists - Insider threats - Shadow IT • Threat actor attribution and profiling • Actor attributes (internal/external, resources/funding, sophistication level) • Motivations (data exfiltration, espionage, financial gain, disruption, war) • Attack vector analysis across multiple surfaces • TTPs (tactics, techniques, and procedures) mapping to MITRE ATT&CK - Assess and mitigate attack vectors and surfaces <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Message-based attacks (email, SMS, instant messaging) • Image-based and file-based attack vectors • Voice call and removable device threats • Social engineering campaigns (phishing, vishing, smishing, pretexting, watering hole) • Supply chain attacks (MSPs, vendors, suppliers)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerable and unsupported software management • Network-based attack surfaces (wireless, wired, Bluetooth) • Default credential and open port management <p>- Identify and classify vulnerabilities across environments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application vulnerabilities (memory injection, buffer overflow, race conditions, malicious updates) • OS-based and web-based vulnerabilities (SQL injection, XSS) • Hardware and firmware vulnerabilities • Virtualization vulnerabilities (VM escape, resource reuse) • Cloud-specific and supply chain vulnerabilities • Mobile device vulnerabilities (side loading, jailbreaking) • Zero-day vulnerability management • Misconfiguration identification <p>- Analyze and respond to indicators of malicious activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malware analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ransomware - Trojans - Worms - Rootkits - Spyware - Bloatware - Viruses - Keyloggers - Logic bombs • Physical attack indicators (brute force, RFID cloning, environmental)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network attack detection (DDoS, DNS attacks, wireless attacks, on-path, credential replay) • Application attack identification (injection, buffer overflow, replay, privilege escalation, forgery, directory traversal) • Cryptographic attack recognition (downgrade, collision, birthday) • Password attacks (spraying, brute force) • Behavioral indicators (account lockout, concurrent sessions, impossible travel, resource consumption, out-of-cycle logging, missing logs) - Implement comprehensive mitigation techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network segmentation and isolation strategies • Access control lists and permission management • Application allow listing and isolation • Patch management programs • Encryption and monitoring implementation • Least privilege enforcement • Configuration enforcement and compliance • Secure decommissioning procedures • Hardening techniques (encryption, endpoint protection, HIPS, port/protocol disabling, default password changes, software removal)
Security Controls	30%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engineer security architecture for diverse contexts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-premises vs. centralized vs. decentralized architecture • Enterprise network security (network infrastructure, network edge, internetwork connectivity, physical and logical isolation/segmentation, SDN, Zero Trust architecture)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloud security architecture (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS, public, private and hybrid) • Industrial network architecture security (ICS, /SCADA, DCS, PLC, HMI, and RTOS) • IoT system and network security • Security for common architectural components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Embedded systems security - Infrastructure as code (IaC) security - Serverless and microservices security - Containerization security • Architecture considerations (availability, resilience, cost, responsiveness, scalability, ease of deployment, risk transference, ease of recovery, patch management, power, compute) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design and implement enterprise infrastructure security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure device considerations (placement, attributes, attack surface, connectivity, failure modes) • Security zone design and segmentation • Failure mode planning (fail-open vs. fail-closed) • Network appliance deployment (jump servers, proxy servers, IPS/IDS, load balancers, sensors) • Port security implementation (802.1X, EAP) • Firewall architecture (WAF, UTM, NGFW, Layer 4/Layer 7) • Selection of effective security controls - Implement secure remote communication and access solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VPN architecture (site-to-site, remote access) • Tunneling protocols (TLS, IPSec)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SD-WAN security implementation • SASE (Secure Access Service Edge) architecture • Remote access security controls - Engineer comprehensive data protection strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data types and classifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulated data - Trade secrets - Intellectual property - Legal information - Financial information - Sensitive data - Confidential data - Public data - Restricted data - Private data - Critical data • Data state protection (at rest, in transit, in use) • Data sovereignty and geolocation compliance • Methods to secure data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Geographic restrictions - Encryption - Hashing - Masking - Tokenization - Obfuscation - Segmentation - Permission restrictions - Anonymization • Database activity monitoring and encryption • DLP implementation and policy tuning - Design resilience and recovery architecture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High availability strategies (load balancing vs. clustering) • Site resilience planning (hot, cold, warm sites)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geographic dispersion strategies • Platform diversity and multi-cloud systems • Capacity planning • Testing (tabletop exercises, failover, simulation, parallel processing) • Backup strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Onsite/offsite storage - Backup frequency - Backup encryption - Snapshots - Recovery procedures - Replication - Journaling - Media Rotation • Power resilience (generators, UPS, redundant power supply, multiple utility feeds)
Security Monitoring	20%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Administer secure computing resources across platforms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure baseline management (establishment, deployment, maintenance) • System hardening across multiple platforms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobile devices - Workstations - Switches and routers - Cloud infrastructure - Servers - ICS/SCADA - Embedded systems - RTOS - IoT devices • Wireless device security (site surveys, heat maps, WPA3, AAA/RADIUS, authentication protocols)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile device management (MDM deployment, BYOD/COPE/CYOD, mobile policies, application distribution) • Application security (input validation, secure cookies, code analysis, code signing, sandboxing) - Manage assets throughout the lifecycle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquisition and procurement (security requirements, vendor evaluation, supply chain security) • Assignment and classification • Monitoring and tracking (inventory, enumeration, change tracking, license management) • Disposal and decommissioning (sanitization, destruction, certification, retention compliance) - Implement and operate vulnerability management programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerability identification methods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vulnerability scanning (authenticated, unauthenticated) - Application security testing (SAST, DAST, SCA) - Threat feed integration - Penetration testing - Bug bounty programs - System and process audits • Vulnerability analysis (confirmation, CVSS/CVE, OSV, classification, prioritization, environmental factors, risk alignment) • Remediation and validation (patching programs, compensating controls, exceptions, verification testing)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vulnerability reporting - Deploy and manage security monitoring systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIEM (deployment, configuration, management, tuning) • XDR (extended detection and response) • Log management (aggregation, correlation, analysis, retention) • Alert management (generation, tuning, response workflows) • Compliance monitoring (SCAP security content automation scanning, benchmarks, drift detection) • Monitoring tools deployment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Antivirus and anti-malware - Data Loss Prevention (DLP) - SNMP traps - NetFlow - Network taps - Packet capture systems • Reporting and dashboards - Engineer and operate advanced security capabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network security capabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Firewall management (rules, ACLs, ports/protocols, screened subnets) - IPS/IDS administration (trends, signatures, active vs. passive) - Network Access Control (NAC) • Content filtering and inspection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Web filtering (agent-based, proxy, URL scanning, reputation) - DNS filtering (sinkholing, threat protection) - Email security (DMARC, DKIM, SPF, gateway)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating system security (Group Policy, SELinux, security baselines) • Protocol security (secure protocols, TLS versions, cipher suites) • Endpoint security (EDR/XDR, UEBA) • File integrity monitoring - Administer identity and access management systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • User lifecycle management (provisioning, de-provisioning, least privilege) • Identity proofing and verification • Federation and SSO (LDAP, OAuth, SAML, OpenID Connect) • Access control models (MAC, DAC, RBAC, ABAC) • Multi-factor authentication (implementations, factors, risk-based authentication) • Password management (policy enforcement, passwordless authentication) • Privileged Access Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PAM platform deployment - Just-in-time (JIT) access - Password vaulting - Session management - Account discovery • Access reviews and attestation - Implement security automation and orchestration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automation use cases (provisioning, guardrails, ticketing, vulnerability scanning, compliance checking) • Integration capabilities (APIs, webhooks, custom scripts) • CI/CD security automation (scanning, testing, compliance gates) • Benefits and considerations

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Execute incident response operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incident response process (preparation, detection, containment, eradication, recovery, lessons learned) • Training and testing (tabletop exercises, simulations, debriefs) • Root cause analysis • Threat hunting (hypothesis-driven, intelligence-driven, baseline deviation) • Digital forensics (chain of custody, acquisition, preservation, analysis, reporting) - Conduct security investigations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Log analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Firewall logs - Application logs - Endpoint logs - OS-specific security logs - IPS/IDS logs - Network logs - Metadata • Data source correlation (SIEM, vulnerability scans, packet captures, threat intelligence) • Investigation documentation
Security Governance	20%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement effective security governance frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies and standards development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) - Information security policies - Business continuity policy - Disaster recovery policy - SDLC policy - Access control standards - Encryption standards • Procedures (change management, onboarding/offboarding, playbooks)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • External considerations (regulatory, legal, industry standards, geographic scope) • Governance structures (board oversight, committees, governance models) • Roles and responsibilities (owners, controllers, processors, custodians, responsibility matrices) • Monitoring and revision <p>- Manage organizational risk through structured processes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk identification • Risk assessment (ad hoc, recurring, continuous) • Risk analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Qualitative analysis (probability, impact, risk matrix) - Quantitative analysis (SLE, ALE, ARO) - Environmental variables • Risk register management • Risk tolerance and appetite • Risk treatment strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Risk transfer - Risk acceptance (exemptions, exceptions) - Risk avoidance - Risk mitigation • Risk reporting • Business impact analysis (RTO, RPO, MTTR, MTBF) <p>- Administer third-party risk management programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vendor assessment (questionnaires, audits, certifications) • Supply chain analysis (mapping, dependencies, fourth-party risk) • Vendor selection and due diligence

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service Level Agreement (SLA) - Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - Master Service Agreement (MSA) - Statement of Work (SOW) - Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) - Business Partnership Agreement (BPA) - Data Processing Agreement (DPA) • Ongoing monitoring • Rules of engagement - Maintain comprehensive compliance programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance reporting and monitoring • Automation and dashboards • Privacy compliance programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) - CCPA (California Consumer Privacy Act) - HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) - PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard) • Data governance (inventory, classification, retention) • Attestation processes • Internal audits (compliance assessments, control testing, gap analysis) • External audit coordination (regulatory exams, financial audits, third-party assessments) - Conduct security assessments and testing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal assessments (compliance, controls, vulnerabilities, architecture) • Audit coordination • Penetration testing programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Testing types (physical, network, application, social engineering)

Section	Weight	Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Testing methodologies (offensive, defensive, integrated) - Testing environments (known, partially-known, unknown) - Testing phases (planning, reconnaissance, exploitation, reporting) • Reconnaissance operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passive reconnaissance (OSINT, DNS enumeration, social media) - Active reconnaissance (port scanning, service enumeration, network mapping) - Implement security awareness and culture programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delivery methods (CBT, instructor-led, microlearning, newsletters) - Content topics (phishing, social engineering, password security, data handling, OPSEC) • Phishing simulations (campaign design, execution, metrics, remedial training) • Policy communication • User guidance (quick reference guides, job aids, role-specific guides) • Situational awareness (threat notifications, advisories) • Reporting procedures (incident reporting, anonymous channels) • Culture development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Security champions programs - Gamification and incentives - Awareness metrics - Executive sponsorship

CWNP CSAE-101 Sample Questions:

Question: 1

In a Zero Trust architecture, which assumption fundamentally differentiates it from traditional perimeter-based security models?

- a) Every access request must be continuously verified
- b) Encryption is optional within trusted zones
- c) Trust is granted after initial authentication
- d) Internal networks are inherently trusted

Answer: a

Question: 2

What is the primary security benefit of deploying a honeypot within an enterprise network?

- a) Blocking malicious traffic at the perimeter
- b) Detecting attacker behavior and techniques
- c) Encrypting sensitive data stores
- d) Enforcing authentication policies

Answer: b

Question: 3

Mapping adversary behavior to tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) primarily supports which security activity?

- a) Asset inventory management
- b) Threat modeling and attribution
- c) Patch deployment scheduling
- d) Data classification enforcement

Answer: b

Question: 4

Why are documented rollback procedures critical in security-focused change management?

- a) They ensure rapid recovery if a change introduces risk
- b) They reduce audit scope
- c) They eliminate the need for testing
- d) They replace incident response plans

Answer: a

Question: 5

Which access model provides secure connectivity to internal resources without extending the internal network to the client?

- a) Site-to-site VPN
- b) Network-layer remote access VPN
- c) Zero Trust network access
- d) Layer 2 tunneling

Answer: c**Question: 6**

An organization measures how well existing controls reduce identified risks and compares results against target risk levels. What activity is being performed?

- a) Threat modeling
- b) Control effectiveness validation
- c) Vulnerability scanning
- d) Incident response testing

Answer: b**Question: 7**

Which two factors should be evaluated when selecting the placement of security appliances? (Select two.)

- a) Network traffic flow patterns
- b) Device cosmetic appearance
- c) Failure impact and redundancy
- d) End-user preference

Answer: a, c**Question: 8**

What is the primary objective of conducting vendor security assessments?

- a) Negotiating contract pricing
- b) Identifying and managing third-party risk
- c) Reducing internal audit workload
- d) Accelerating vendor onboarding

Answer: b

Question: 9

Secure decommissioning of systems primarily ensures which security outcome?

- a) Improved system availability
- b) Prevention of data remanence
- c) Faster asset replacement
- d) Simplified patch management

Answer: b

Question: 10

Which data classification typically requires the strongest access controls and monitoring?

- a) Public data
- b) Confidential data
- c) Sensitive data
- d) Regulated data

Answer: d

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- Getting details of the CSAE-101 syllabus, is the first step of a study plan. This pdf is going to be of ultimate help. Completion of the syllabus is must to pass the CSAE-101 exam.
- Making a schedule is vital. A structured method of preparation leads to success. A candidate must plan his schedule and follow it rigorously to attain success.
- Joining the CWNP provided training for CSAE-101 exam could be of much help. If there is specific training for the exam, you can discover it from the link above.
- Read from the CSAE-101 sample questions to gain your idea about the actual exam questions. In this PDF useful sample questions are provided to make your exam preparation easy.
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