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## Exam A

### QUESTION 1

Which parent directory contains the configuration files in Splunk?



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- A. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc
- B. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/var
- C. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/conf
- D. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/default



**Correct Answer: A**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Admin/Configurationfiledirectories>

### QUESTION 2

Which forwarder type can parse data prior to forwarding?

- A. Universal forwarder
- B. Heaviest forwarder
- C. Hyper forwarder
- D. Heavy forwarder

**Correct Answer: D**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Forwarding/Typesofforwarders> **QUESTION 3**

Which Splunk component consolidates the individual results and prepares reports in a distributed environment?

- A. Indexers
- B. Forwarder
- C. Search head
- D. Search peers

**Correct Answer: A**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Indexer/Advancedindexingstrategy>

#### **QUESTION 4**

Where should apps be located on the deployment server that the clients pull from?

- A. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/apps
- B. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/search
- C. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/master-apps
- D. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/deployment-apps

**Correct Answer: A**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/371099/how-to-configure-deployment-apps-to-push-to-client.html>

#### **QUESTION 5**

This file has been manually created on a universal forwarder:

```
/opt/splunkforwarder/etc/apps/my_TA/local/inputs.conf  
[monitor:///var/log/messages]  
sourcetype=syslog  
index=syslog
```

A new Splunk admin comes in and connects the universal forwarders to a deployment server and deploys the same app with a new `inputs.conf`

```
file: /opt/splunk/etc/deployment-apps/my_TA/local/inputs.conf  
[monitor:///var/log/maillog]  
sourcetype=maillog  
index=syslog
```

Which file is now monitored?

- A. `/var/log/messages`
- B. `/var/log/maillog`
- C. `/var/log/maillog` and `/var/log/messages`
- D. none of the above

**Correct Answer: C**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

#### QUESTION 6

When configuring monitor inputs with whitelists or blacklists, what is the supported method of filtering the lists?

- A. Slash notation
- B. Regular expression
- C. Irregular expression
- D. Wildcard-only expression

**Correct Answer: B**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Updating/Filterclients>

**QUESTION 7**

What is required when adding a native user to Splunk? (Select all that apply.)

- A. Password
- B. Username
- C. Full Name D. Default app

**Correct Answer:** CD

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Security/Addandeditusers>

**QUESTION 8**

What are the minimum required settings when creating a network input in Splunk?

- A. Protocol, port number
- B. Protocol, port, location
- C. Protocol, username, port
- D. Protocol, IP, port number

**Correct Answer:** A

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Data/UsetheHTTPEventCollector>

**QUESTION 9**

Which Splunk component requires a Forwarder license?

- A. Search head
- B. Heavy forwarder
- C. Heaviest forwarder

D. Universal forwarder

**Correct Answer:** B

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/70017/heavy-forwarder-costs-and-licenses.html> **QUESTION 10**

Which optional configuration setting in `inputs.conf` allows you to selectively forward the data to specific indexer(s)?

A. `_TCP_ROUTING`

B. `_INDEXER_LIST`

C. `_INDEXER_GROUP`

D. `_INDEXER_ROUTING`

**Correct Answer:** A

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Data/Monitorfilesanddirectorieswithinputs.conf>

### QUESTION 11

To set up a network input in Splunk, what needs to be specified?

A. File path.

B. Username and password.

C. Network protocol and port number.

D. Network protocol and MAC address.

**Correct Answer:** A

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <http://dev.splunk.com/view/dev-guide/SP-CAAAE3A>



**QUESTION 12**

During search time, which directory of configuration files has the highest precedence?



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- A. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/system/local
- B. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/system/default
- C. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/apps/app1/local
- D. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/users/admin/local

**Correct Answer: C**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.0/Admin/Wheretofindtheconfigurationfiles>

**QUESTION 13**

Within `props.conf`, which stanzas are valid for data modification? (Select all that apply.)

- A. Host
- B. Server
- C. Source
- D. Sourcetype

**Correct Answer: CD**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**



**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/3687/host-stanza-in-props-conf-not-being-honored-for-udp-514-data-sources.html>

**QUESTION 14**

What is the correct order of steps in Duo Multifactor Authentication?

- A.
  - 1. Request Login
  - 2. Connect to SAML server
  - 3. Duo MFA
  - 4. Create User session
  - 5. Authentication Granted
  - 6. Log into Splunk
- B.
  - 1. Request Login
  - 2. Duo MFA
  - 3. Authentication Granted
  - 4. Connect to SAML server
  - 5. Log into Splunk
  - 6. Create User session
- C.
  - 1. Request Login
  - 2. Check authentication / group mapping
  - 3. Authentication Granted
  - 4. Duo MFA
  - 5. Create User session
  - 6. Log into Splunk
- D.
  - 1. Request Login
  - 2. Duo MFA
  - 3. Check authentication / group mapping
  - 4. Create User session
  - 5. Authentication Granted
  - 6. Log into Splunk



**Correct Answer: C**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Security/ConfigureDuo>



**QUESTION 15**

Which of the following enables compression for universal forwarders in `outputs.conf`?

- A. `[udpout:mysplunk_indexer11] compression=true`
- B. `[tcpout] defaultGroup=my_indexers compressed=true`
- C. `/opt/splunkforwarder/bin/splunk enable compression`
- D. `[tcpout:my_indexers] server=mysplunk_indexer1:9997,mysplunk_indexer2:9997 decompression=false`

**Correct Answer:** B

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Admin/Outputsconf>

**QUESTION 16**

User role inheritance allows what to be inherited from the parent role? (Select all that apply.)



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- A. Parents
- B. Capabilities
- C. Index access
- D. Search history

**Correct Answer:** B

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: [https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Security/Aboutusersandroles#How\\_users\\_inherit\\_capabilities](https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Security/Aboutusersandroles#How_users_inherit_capabilities)

**QUESTION 17**

Which of the following statements apply to directory inputs? (Select all that apply.)

- A. All discovered text files are consumed.
- B. Compressed files are ignored by default.
- C. Splunk recursively traverses through the directory structure.
- D. When adding new log files to a monitored directory, the forwarder must be restarted to take them into account.

**Correct Answer: C**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/133875/recursive-monitoring-of-directories.html>

**QUESTION 18**

Which of the following is a valid distributed search group?

- A. `[distributedSearch:Paris]`  
`default = false` `servers =`  
`server1, server2`
- B. `[searchGroup:Paris]`  
`default = false`  
`servers = server1:8089, server2:8089`
- C. `[searchGroup:Paris]`  
`default = false`  
`servers = server1:9997, server2:9997`
- D. `[distributedSearch:Paris]`  
`default = false`  
`servers = server1:8089; server2:8089`

**Correct Answer: D**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**



**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/DistSearch/Distributedsearchgroups>

**QUESTION 19**

Local user accounts created in Splunk store passwords in which file?

- A. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/passwd
- B. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/authentication
- C. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/users/passwd.conf
- D. \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/users/authentication.conf

**Correct Answer: A**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Admin/User-seedconf>

**QUESTION 20**

For single line event sourcetypes, it is most efficient to set SHOULD\_LINEMERGE to what value?

- A. True
- B. False
- C. <regex string>
- D. Newline Character

**Correct Answer: B**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/704533/what-are-the-best-practices-for-defining-source-ty.html>

**QUESTION 21**

Which Splunk component does a search head primarily communicate with?

- A. Indexer
- B. Forwarder
- C. Cluster master
- D. Deployment server

**Correct Answer:** A

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/InheritedDeployment/Deploymenttopology>

#### QUESTION 22

Which layers are involved in Splunk configuration file layering? (Select all that apply.)

- A. App context
- B. User context
- C. Global context
- D. Forwarder context



**Correct Answer:** AC

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Admin/Wheretofindtheconfigurationfiles>

#### QUESTION 23

Which Splunk indexer operating system platform is supported when sending logs from a Windows universal forwarder?

- A. Any OS platform.
- B. Linux platform only.
- C. Windows platform only.
- D. None of the above.

**Correct Answer:** C

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

**QUESTION 24**

What are the required stanza attributes when configuring the `transforms.conf` to manipulate or remove events?

- A. REGEX, DEST, FORMAT
- B. REGEX, SRC\_KEY, FORMAT
- C. REGEX, DEST\_KEY, FORMAT
- D. REGEX, DEST\_KEY, FORMATTING

**Correct Answer: C**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Admin/Transformsconf>

**QUESTION 25**

Which of the following indexes come pre-configured with Splunk Enterprise? (Select all that apply.)

- A. `_licence` B. `_internal`
- C. `_external`
- D. `_thefishbucket`

**Correct Answer: B**

**Section: (none)**

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/7.3.1/Indexer/Howindexingworks>

**QUESTION 26**

How often does Splunk recheck the LDAP server?

- A. Every 5 minutes.
- B. Each time a user logs in.
- C. Each time Splunk is restarted.
- D. Varies based on LDAP\_refresh setting.

**Correct Answer:** D

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <http://docshare02.docshare.tips/files/22651/226514302.pdf>

#### QUESTION 27

In which scenario would a Splunk Administrator want to enable data integrity check when creating an index?

- A. To ensure that hot buckets are still open for writers and have not been forced to roll to a cold state.
- B. To ensure that configuration files have not been tampered with for auditing and/or legal purposes.
- C. To ensure that user passwords have not been tampered with for auditing and/or legal purposes.
- D. To ensure that data has not been tampered with for auditing and/or legal purposes.

**Correct Answer:** D

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://www.splunk.com/blog/2015/10/28/data-integrity-is-back-baby.html>

#### QUESTION 28

Which Splunk component performs indexing and responds to search requests from the search head?

- A. Forwarder
- B. Search peer
- C. License master
- D. Search head cluster

**Correct Answer:** B

**Section:** (none)

**Explanation**

**Explanation/Reference:**

Reference: <https://www.edureka.co/blog/splunk-architecture/>



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