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# Question 1

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## Question Type: MultipleChoice

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When using a SaaS solution, what is the capability provided to the customer?

### Options:

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- A-** To use the provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through either a thin client interface, such as a web browser (for example, web-based email), or a program interface. The consumer does manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.
- B-** To use the consumer's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through either a thin client interface, such as a web browser (for example, web-based email), or a program interface. The consumer does not manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.
- C-** To use the consumer's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through either a thin client interface, such as a web browser (for example, web-based email), or a program interface. The consumer does manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.
- D-** To use the provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through either a thin client interface, such as a web browser (for example, web-based email), or a program interface. The consumer

does not manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.

**Answer:**

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D

**Explanation:**

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According to "The NIST Definition of Cloud Computing," in SaaS, "The capability provided to the consumer is to use the provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through either a thin client interface, such as a web browser (e.g., web-based e-mail), or a program interface. The consumer does not manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings."

## Question 2

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Which of the following is the dominant driver behind the regulations to which a system or application must adhere?

### Options:

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- A- Data source
- B- Locality
- C- Contract
- D- SLA

### Answer:

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B

### Explanation:

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The locality--or physical location and jurisdiction where the system or data resides--is the dominant driver of regulations. This may be based on the type of data contained within the application or the way in which the data is used. The contract and SLA both articulate requirements for regulatory compliance and the responsibilities for the cloud provider and cloud customer, but neither artifact defines the actual requirements. Instead, the contract and SLA merely form the official documentation between the cloud provider and cloud customer. The source of the data may place contractual requirements or best practice guidelines on its usage, but ultimately jurisdiction has legal force and greater authority.

## Question 3

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**Question Type: MultipleChoice**

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Limits for resource utilization can be set at different levels within a cloud environment to ensure that no particular entity can consume a level of resources that impacts other cloud customers.

Which of the following is NOT a unit covered by limits?

**Options:**

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- A- Hypervisor
- B- Cloud customer
- C- Virtual machine
- D- Service

**Answer:**

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A

**Explanation:**

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The hypervisor level, as a backend cloud infrastructure component, is not a unit where limits may be applied to control resource utilization. Limits can be placed at the service, virtual machine, and cloud customer levels within a cloud environment.

## Question 4

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Which of the following best describes a cloud carrier?

### Options:

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- A-** The intermediary who provides connectivity and transport of cloud providers and cloud consumers
- B-** A person or entity responsible for making a cloud service available to consumers
- C-** The person or entity responsible for transporting data across the Internet
- D-** The person or entity responsible for keeping cloud services running for customers

### Answer:

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A

### Explanation:

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A cloud carrier is the intermediary who provides connectivity and transport of cloud services between cloud providers and cloud customers.

## Question 5

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Legal controls refer to which of the following?

**Options:**

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A- ISO 27001

B- PCI DSS

C- NIST 800-53r4

D- Controls designed to comply with laws and regulations related to the cloud environment

**Answer:**

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D

**Explanation:**

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Legal controls are those controls that are designed to comply with laws and regulations whether they be local or international.

**Question 6**

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Which of the following methods of addressing risk is most associated with insurance?

**Options:**

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- A- Mitigation
- B- Transference
- C- Avoidance
- D- Acceptance

**Answer:**

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B



**Explanation:**

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Avoidance halts the business process, mitigation entails using controls to reduce risk, acceptance involves taking on the risk, and transference usually involves insurance.

## Question 7

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**Question Type: MultipleChoice**

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Which of the following is not an example of a highly regulated environment?

**Options:**

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- A- Financial services
- B- Healthcare
- C- Public companies
- D- Wholesale or distribution

**Answer:**

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D

**Explanation:**

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Wholesalers or distributors are generally not regulated, although the products they sell may be.

## Question 8

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**Question Type: MultipleChoice**

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Which of the following is the primary purpose of an SOC 3 report?

**Options:**

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- A- HIPAA compliance
- B- Absolute assurances
- C- Seal of approval

**D-** Compliance with PCI/DSS

**Answer:**

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C

**Explanation:**

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The SOC 3 report is more of an attestation than a full evaluation of controls associated with a service provider.

## Question 9

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Which is the lowest level of the CSA STAR program?

**Options:**

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**A-** Attestation

- B- Self-assessment
- C- Hybridization
- D- Continuous monitoring

**Answer:**

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B

**Explanation:**

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The lowest level is Level 1, which is self-assessment, Level 2 is an external third-party attestation, and Level 3 is a continuous-monitoring program. Hybridization does not exist as part of the CSA STAR program.

## Question 10

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**Question Type:** MultipleChoice

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Which of the following terms is not associated with cloud forensics?

**Options:**

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- A- eDiscovery
- B- Chain of custody
- C- Analysis
- D- Plausibility

**Answer:**

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D

**Explanation:**

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Plausibility, here, is a distractor and not specifically relevant to cloud forensics.

## Question 11

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**Question Type: MultipleChoice**

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Which of the following is not a way to manage risk?

**Options:**

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A- Transferring

B- Accepting

C- Mitigating

D- Enveloping

**Answer:**

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D

**Explanation:**

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Enveloping is a nonsense term, unrelated to risk management. The rest are not.

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