



Cybersecurity Awareness Month
Crossword Puzzle

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A crossword puzzle grid with 30 numbered starting points. The grid consists of white squares for letters and black squares for empty space. The numbers are: 1 (top left), 2 (top left), 3 (top center), 4 (middle left), 5 (middle right), 6 (middle left), 7 (wide across middle), 8 (wide across middle), 9 (middle left), 10 (middle left), 11 (left side), 12 (left side), 13 (middle right), 14 (middle left), 15 (middle left), 16 (middle left), 17 (right side), 18 (right side), 19 (right side), 20 (right side), 21 (middle left), 22 (wide across middle), 23 (wide across middle), 24 (right side), 25 (wide across middle), 26 (wide across middle), 27 (middle left), 28 (middle left), 29 (bottom left), 30 (bottom left).

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Crossword Puzzle Clues

Across

1. Computer Incident Response Team
3. A software update designed to fix a particular problem or vulnerability
4. The "s" in "_____" stands for "secure" and indicates that communication with a webpage is encrypted
7. Set your computer to _____ check for new software updates
8. A malicious program designed to record which keys are pressed on a computer keyboard
9. The _____ Use of Information Technology (IT) Resources policy (Document# NYS-P14-001) applies to members of the New York State workforce who are provided access to State IT resources
11. Unwanted advertising that comes to your email address
15. A _____ is a copy of an electronic record, maintained to protect the information from loss and often compressed to save space
16. The conversion of digital data into a format unreadable to anyone except those possessing a "key"
19. Any data classified as Personal, Private or Sensitive Information
21. Don't click on _____ within emails from an unknown or untrusted source
22. Software programs that protect your computer from Internet viruses or malicious code
23. Hardware and/or software mechanisms to prevent unauthorized users from accessing a computer network
24. Chief Information Security Officer
25. Never post private and confidential _____ such as your credit card number or password
27. Should contain a minimum of 10 characters using uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers and special characters
28. Malicious software that is inserted into a system, usually covertly, with the intent of compromising the victim's data
29. Under Section 208 of the New York State Technology Law, state entities that own or license computerized _____ which includes private information must disclose any breach of the data to New York residents
30. If you receive a suspicious email, the best thing to do is to _____ the message

Down

2. Cybersecurity is our shared _____
5. A piece of digital information generated by a web server and saved in your computer after visiting a website
6. An unauthorized person seeking to maliciously disrupt or damage a computer
10. Lock your _____ and mobile phone when not in use
12. _____ Identifiable Information is any data that could potentially identify a specific individual
13. A weakness of a system or facility holding information which can be exploited to gain access or violate system integrity
14. _____ engineering refers to the methods attackers use to manipulate people into sharing sensitive information
17. A malicious program that spreads by inserting copies of itself into other programs
18. A network of private computers, each of which is called a "bot," infected with malware and controlled as a group without the owners' knowledge
20. An Internet scam that targets unsuspecting users through email
25. A cybersecurity _____ is considered to be any event that threatens the confidentiality, integrity or availability of an entity's information resources
26. A type of malware designed to block access to a computer system or data until a sum of money is paid
27. A Personal Identification Number, commonly assigned to bank customers for use with ATMs and for use with debit cards