Although the Official Certified Ethical Hacker Review Guide, Version 7.1 is targeted toward individuals who wish to attain the Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH) certification, it could benefit anyone in the IT assurance, security and audit fields. Individuals with certifications such as Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA), Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC), Certified Information Security Manager (CISM), and Certified Information Security Professional (CISSP) and other information security assurance and risk management professionals will find this guide convenient in their work. While increasing their knowledge, it can also help these professionals ensure that their networks and systems are strengthened against hacking attacks and it provides an introductory guideline to performing penetration tests.

The guide is presented in an easy-to-follow, engaging language and includes practical examples in each chapter for the reader to try. The guide begins by introducing the concept of ethical hacking and then gradually builds on the process—how information is gathered on the target using passive techniques; the enumeration stage, which involves determining what can be obtained from a target; the actual system hacking; and introduction of malware, social engineering, denial of service, web servers, wireless networks, cryptography and more.

Since the guide is primarily meant to assist in preparation for the CEH exam, it includes 20 practice exam questions and answers for each chapter. In addition, there are extra resources included with the book: access to a web site with cheat sheets for practice memorization and drill skills; an access code to install and register CertBlaster test preparation resources, which simulate the CEH certification exam; and access to Cengage’s information security community web site.

The guide is a must-have for anyone taking the CEH exam. Additionally, it can serve as a guide for anyone interested in starting a career in ethical hacking and penetration testing.

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