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QUESTION 1

The universal forwarder (UF) should be used whenever possible, as it is smaller and more efficient. In which of the following scenarios would a heavy forwarder (HF) be a more appropriate choice?

- A. When a predictable version of Python is required.
- B. When filtering 10% - 5% of incoming events.
- C. When monitoring a log file.
- D. When running a script.

Correct Answer: B

Reference: https://www.splunk.com/en_us/blog/tips-and-tricks/universal-or-heavy-that-is-the-question.html

QUESTION 2

The data in Splunk is now subject to auditing and compliance controls. A customer would like to ensure that at least one year of logs are retained for both Windows and Firewall events. What data retention controls must be configured?

- A. `maxTotalDataSizeMB` and `frozenTimePeriodInSecs`
- B. `coldToFrozenDir` and `coldToFrozenScript`
- C. Splunk Volume and `maxTotalDataSizMB`
- D. Splunk Volume and `frozenTimePeriodInSecs`

Correct Answer: A

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.1.0/Indexer/Setaretirementandarchivingpolicy>

QUESTION 3

When monitoring and forwarding events collected from a file containing unstructured textual events, what is the difference in the Splunk2Splunk payload traffic sent between a universal forwarder (UF) and indexer compared to the Splunk2Splunk payload sent between a heavy forwarder (HF) and the indexer layer? (Assume that the file is being monitored locally on the forwarder.)

- A. The payload format sent from the UF versus the HF is exactly the same. The payload size is identical because they're both sending 64K chunks.
- B. The UF sends a stream of data containing one set of metadata fields to represent the entire stream, whereas the HF sends individual events, each with their own metadata fields attached, resulting in a larger payload.
- C. The UF will generally send the payload in the same format, but only when the sourcetype is specified in the `inputs.conf` and `EVENT_BREAKER_ENABLE` is set to true.
- D. The HF sends a stream of 64K TCP chunks with one set of metadata fields attached to represent the entire stream,



whereas the UF sends individual events, each with their own metadata fields attached.

Correct Answer: B

QUESTION 4

A customer has three users and is planning to ingest 250GB of data per day. They are concerned with search uptime, can tolerate up to a two-hour downtime for the search tier, and want advice on single search head versus a search head cluster. (SHC).

Which recommendation is the most appropriate?

- A. The customer should deploy two active search heads behind a load balancer to support HA.
- B. The customer should deploy a SHC with a single member for HA; more members can be added later.
- C. The customer should deploy a SHC, because it will be required to support the high volume of data.
- D. The customer should deploy a single search head with a warm standby search head and an rsync process to synchronize configurations.

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 5

A customer has written the following search:

```
sourcetype=purchase:orders
| table _time, customer, product, amount, order_id
| stats count sum(amount) AS amount latest (_time) AS _time by customer, order_id
| search customer= "timmy*"
| lookup vip_customers customer OUTPUT vip_status
| table _time, customer, order_id, amount, vip_status
| search vip_status= "true"
```

How can the search be rewritten to maximize efficiency?



- A. `index=sales sourcetype=purchase:orders`
| table _time, customer, product, amount, order_id
| stats count sum(amount) AS amount latest (_time) AS _time by customer, order_id
| search customer= "timmy*"
| lookup vip_customers customer OUTPUT vip_status
| table _time, customer, order_id, amount, vip_status
| search vip_status= "true"
- B. `index=proxy source=proxy:data:syslog user= "timmy*"`
| table _time, user, url, duration, category, action
| stats count sum(duration) AS duration last(url) AS url latest (_time) AS _time by user
| lookup user_status user OUTPUT status
| table _time, user, status
- C. `index=sales sourcetype=purchase:orders customer= "timmy*"`
| lookup vip_customers customer OUTPUT vip_status
| search vip_status= "true"
| stats sum(amount) AS amount latest (_time) AS _time by customer, order_id
| table _time, customer, order_id, amount
- D. `index=sales sourcetype=purchase:orders customer= "timmy*"`
| lookup vip_customers customer OUTPUT vip_status
| stats count sum(amount) AS amount latest (_time) AS _time by customer, order_id
| search vip_status= "true"
| table _time, customer, order_id, amount, vip_status

A. Option A

B. Option B

C. Option C

D. Option D

Correct Answer: C