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Take A Third Security Break



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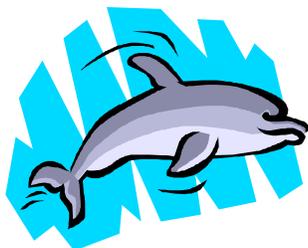
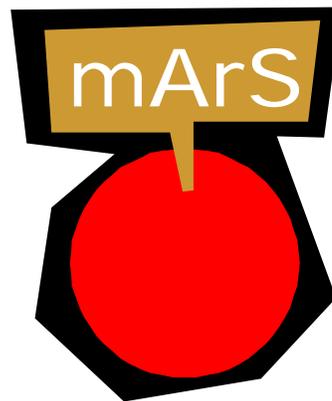
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Once again it's time to take a "security break." As with the other SECURITY BREAK pamphlets, test your security knowledge or challenge your friends on theirs. If you're a security manager (or even if you're not), use parts of this book as fillers in your local bulletins or as quizzes in your next training class. But, just as with the first two editions of SECURITY BREAK, the most important aspect is for you to *HAVE FUN* with this pamphlet.

Did you know:

1. Mars looks red because of the orange-colored sands that cover much of its surface; while orange just happens to be the color of the

- a. Top Secret cover sheet.
- b. Secret cover sheet.
- c. Confidential cover sheet.
- d. FOUO cover sheet.



2. Dolphins and porpoises are closely related but there are several differences between them (e.g. porpoises have no beaks and their heads are rounded); which is similar to the fact that storage requirements for Top Secret materials and Secret materials are almost the same, but there are several differences between them, for example:

- a. Top Secret is authorized to be stored in a GSA container, Secret is not.
- b. Top Secret is authorized to be stored in a vault constructed to DoD standards, Secret is not.
- c. Top Secret is authorized to be stored in a GSA approved container with supplemental controls, Secret does not need the supplemental controls.
- d. Top Secret is authorized to be stored in a lock-bar cabinet with supplemental controls, Secret does not need the supplemental controls.

Did you know:

3. The three longest rivers in the world are the Nile, the Amazon and the Yangtze; while three is the number of different types of written authorization that can be used when hand carrying classified materials to another location (when traveling on a commercial airline only one type of written authorization can be used). These three types of written authorization are travel orders, letter of authorization, and:

- a. SF 701
- b. SF 702
- c. DD Form 2501
- d. DD Form 1981

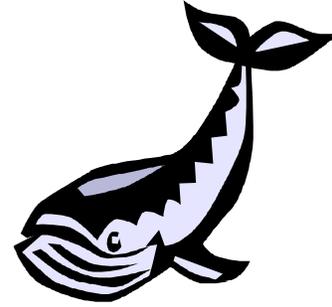
4. The leaves of the sassafras tree are unusual in that they grow in three different shapes (some are oval, others are shaped like a mitten with a thumb and others have three fingers) on the same tree; while the shape (as well as the size and weight) of a SECRET object may make it too unwieldy to send through the US postal system, thus necessitating the use of an alternative authorized transportation method such as:

- a. Constant Surveillance Service (CSS).
- b. Protective Security Service (PSS).
- c. DHL
- d. Pedaling Bicycle Carriers, Inc.



Did you know:

5. The blue whale is the largest animal that ever lived (even larger than the long-extinct dinosaurs); while the smallest GSA approved security container that was ever manufactured (the field safe);



- a. is authorized to be used in an office to store classified materials as long as it is secured to the structure of the building.
- b. is authorized to be used as the outer wrapper when sending classified materials through the US postal system as long as it is stamped with the proper classification level.
- c. is authorized only for the storage of Confidential materials.
- d. is authorized only for the storage of derivatively classified documents written under the auspices of EO 12958.

6. There are three different types of fencing weapons (the foil, the epee, and the saber) and the shape of the blades, the lengths, the guards, and the uses are different; and there are three different levels of classification for information and the difference between the levels is dependent on:

- a. the type of storage container/facility that is used to protect them.
- b. the amount of damage that unauthorized access to the information would cause to the national security.
- c. the type and extent of the background investigation conducted on the people who would be authorized access to the information.
- d. the type of challenge that is allowed.

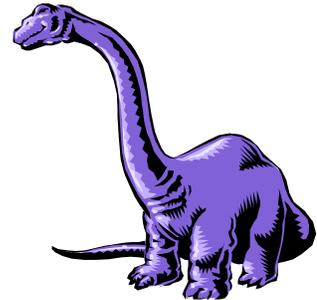
Did you know:

7. A Nansen passport was a special passport given to refugees from WW I who no longer belonged to any country; while being eligible for a US passport is the requirement that commanders or masters of US registry ships must meet if they are to be given custody and control of _____ materials for transportation purposes.

- a. SCI
- b. Top Secret
- c. Secret
- d. Confidential
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8. Dinosaurs are divided into two main groups called bird-hips and lizard-hips and the reason why they are so named is because of the arrangement of their hip bones; and the reason why the information is classified must be included on the face of all

- a. originally classified documents.
- b. derivatively classified documents.
- c. both of the above.
- d. none of the above.



Did you know:

9. Tantalus was a son of Zeus who betrayed the gods and, as punishment, was required to stand hungry and thirsty in a lake in Hades with fruit growing just above his head (the fruit was always just out of his reach and the water receded every time he tried to drink it); while tantalizing is the prospect of taking classified materials home (especially on diskettes) to work on, however in order to do this you must remember to:



- a. obtain authorization from your major command (or higher depending on the level of the classification of the information).
- b. have a GSA approved security container at your home.
- c. both of the above.
- d. none of the above.

10. Nearly all frogs have teeth but toads have none; and croaking is the sound a security manager will make when a "working paper" is found to not have the complete security markings on it after it is:

- a. 45 days old.
- b. 90 days old.
- c. 180 days old.
- d. 270 days old.



Did you know:

11. The nutmeg tree (*Myristica fragrans*) will grow for 8 years before it begins to bear fruit and will continue to do so for 25 years; while 25 years is the maximum time period that information can remain classified (unless exempted by the originating Agency) if it is contained in



- a. any classified document.
- b. any unclassified document.
- c. any document of permanent historical value.
- d. any operational document.

12. Marsh mallow candy was originally made from the root of the marsh mallow plant that grows in ditches and other damp places, often by the sea; but making shredded wheat from shredded classified materials might not produce quite as tasty a product, although:



- a. you would have to treat it as Confidential candy.
- b. you would have to store it in a GSA approved security container when not eating it.
- c. you would be authorized to treat it as unclassified if the shred size met Component specifications.
- d. you would need to transport it using the Defense Courier Service.

Did you know:

13. The color of the fur of the Arctic hare is white in the winter and brown in the summer; while the color of the interior page markings on a classified document are not specified in the DoD 5200.1-R, except that the markings must be:

- a. conspicuous to the reader of the document.
- b. larger than the text size on the page.
- c. smaller than the text size on the page.
- d. red in the winter and black in the summer.



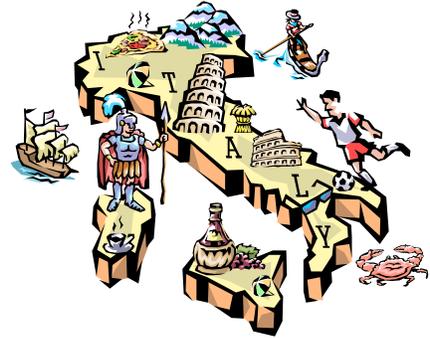
14. Brolga is a native Australian bird; while BIZALMAS is the Hungarian equivalent to our CONFIDENTIAL marking and if we work with a Hungarian document so marked we must:

- a. contact the Hungarian embassy to determine how to store it.
- b. contact the US embassy to determine how to store it.
- c. put the words "US Confidential" on the document.
- d. put the words "Hungary Confidential" on the document.

Did you know:

15. In the early period of their history, the Romans used a calendar that had only 10 months in the year (and it was not until 700 BC that two other months were added to the calendar); while 10 is the maximum number of years that:

- a. any classified document is authorized to be kept in an active file in accordance with EO 12958.
- b. a movie star stays a "10."
- c. a destruction certificate must be maintained in the Top Secret accountability system.
- d. information can be classified for under EO 12958 at the time of classification unless it is exempted from this limitation by the classifying authority.



16. Only two planets in our solar system have no moons (Mercury and Venus); while two is the number of wrappings that Confidential materials must be placed in when they are put into the US postal system for transport and the Confidential marking must be:

- a. put on the outer wrapper.
- b. put on the inner wrapper.
- c. put on both wrappers.
- d. put on neither wrapper.

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Solutions:

- 1. a
- 2. c
- 3. c
- 4. b
- 5. a
- 6. b
- 7. d
- 8. a
- 9. c
- 10. c
- 11. c
- 12. c
- 13. a
- 14. d
- 15. d
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