CompTIA CySA+ 30-Day Study Plan (CS0-004)

A focused 30-day roadmap to pass the CompTIA CySA+ cybersecurity analyst exam — built around the four CS0-004 domains: Security Operations, Vulnerability Management, Incident Response & Management, and Reporting & Communication.

Wk 1
FOUNDATION

Security Operations (34%)

Start with the largest domain. Master log analysis, network and host telemetry, malware and threat detection, and the day-to-day work of a SOC analyst.

- Review system and network log sources (SIEM, EDR, flow data)
- Practice identifying indicators of compromise
- Take a domain mini-exam and review every miss

Wk 2
CORE SKILL

Vulnerability Management (26%)

Learn to run and interpret vulnerability scans, prioritise findings by risk, and recommend remediation and mitigation.

- Practice reading scanner output and CVSS scores
- Prioritise vulnerabilities by exploitability and impact
- Drill remediation vs mitigation vs acceptance decisions

Wk 3
RESPONSE

Incident Response & Management (24%)

Work through the incident response lifecycle — detection, analysis, containment, eradication, recovery — and digital forensics basics.

- Memorise the IR phases in order
- Practice scoping and containment scenarios
- Review evidence handling and chain of custody

Wk 4
COMMUNICATE

Reporting & Communication (16%)

Turn technical findings into clear reports and metrics for stakeholders — vulnerability reports, IR reports, and KPIs.

- Practice writing concise finding summaries
- Review compliance and stakeholder communication
- Take a full-length timed mock exam

Final

EXAM READY

Full Mocks & Weak-Area Review

Sit full-length timed mocks under real conditions (up to 85 questions, 165 minutes). Review every wrong answer and re-drill your weakest domain until you clear the bar with room to spare.

- Two full timed mock exams
- Re-take your weakest domain mini-exam
- Light review the day before — then rest

> Adjust the pace to your schedule — the key is consistent daily practice and reviewing every question you miss. Practise free at **https://www.examgrit.com/comptia-cysa-plus/practice-test**