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Quiz #4 Solutions

COMP 3000B: Operating Systems

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1. Which of the following “communication links” could be used to exchange IP packets?
 - (a) Ethernet
 - (b) Smoke signals
 - (c) Carrier pigeon
 - (d) **All of the above**
2. TCP/IP stacks use extensive buffers to store incoming packets. They do so because:
 - (a) TCP packets may be received out of order
 - (b) Applications may not be ready to handle new input
 - (c) The OS may receive a packet when it cannot easily hand it over to an application
 - (d) **All of the above**
3. A firewall can potentially
 - (a) block certain kinds of IP packets
 - (b) modify IP packets
 - (c) transmit packets containing error messages
 - (d) **all of the above**
4. The close file operation can sometimes fail in which of the following filesystems?
 - (a) NFS
 - (b) ext3
 - (c) proc
 - (d) **AFS (Andrew File System)**
5. Which is more dangerous for a network filesystem:
 - (a) synchronous reads (no caching)
 - (b) synchronous writes (no caching)
 - (c) read caching
 - (d) **write caching**
6. Digital certificates (e.g. the certificates used to identify websites for e-commerce) contain:
 - (a) **Public keys**
 - (b) Private keys
 - (c) Symmetric keys
 - (d) All of the above
7. In order to iterate through the list of processes inside the 2.6 Linux kernel, you should use the function: **for_each_process() or find_get_pid()**
8. What was your favorite lab exercise (in all of the labs)? **All of them! :-)**