

OSI Layer	Functions	Devices	Protocols	Protocol Data Unit	Attacks	Mitigations
<b>7. Application</b>	Responsible for creating the data for the packets. Acts as the interface between the user and the network.	PC, Phone, Server, Host Firewall, NIPS, HIPS, WAF, Gateways	HTTP, SMTP, FTP, DNS, SNMP, Telnet, DHCP, POP3, IMAP	Data	Exploit (malware), DDoS, HTTP Floods, SQL injection, Cross-site Scripting	Use WAF and Secure Gateways (web), Application Monitoring, AV.
<b>6. Presentation</b>	Data is translated, compressed, encoded, encrypted (if enabled) in such a way that the receiving application can understand and can be transported over the network	-	JPEG, MP3, SSL, TLS	Data	Phishing, SSL Hijacking, Encryption Downgrade, Decryption attacks.	Keeping AV and signatures up-to-date, SSL offloading and inspection.
<b>5. Session</b>	Establishment, maintenance, encryption, security, and termination of sessions is handled by this layer.	Circuit Level Gateway	NetBIOS, RPC, SMB	Data	Session Hijacking, Man-in-the-Browser	Vulnerabilities should be patched.
<b>4. Transport</b>	Responsible for end-to-end communication (process-to-process) and for error and flow control of segments.	Gateways, Firewall, NIPS	TCP, UDP	Segments-TCP, Datagram-UDP	Reconnaissance such as Host Discovery, Port Scanning, TCP/UDP Flood, and UDP Amplification.	Use Firewall, IPS, detect based on Thresholds and block at ISP level.
<b>3. Network</b>	Creates a routing path for packet delivery for devices in different networks and can also select between routing paths.	Router, N/W Firewall, NIPS	IP, ICMP, RIP, OSPF, IPsec	Packets	Man-in-the-middle (MITM), IP Spoofing, ICMP Attacks, Smurf Attack, Packet Sniffing.	Use Firewall, IPS (Packet Filtering), Enable logging, Encrypt Traffic, Configure Routers.
<b>2. Data Link</b>	Responsible for delivery to and from hosts on local network through communication media. Also does framing, error and flow control. Consists of LLC and MAC sub-layers	Switch, Bridge, NIC.	ARP, ATM, MAC, VLAN, PPP, PPTP	Frames	ARP Spoofing, MAC Cloning, DoS, VLAN Hopping.	Configure Switches, Port locking or Port Level Security, Static ARP.
<b>1. Physical</b>	It acts as the communication media and responsible for the actual physical communication between devices.	Hubs, Cables, Modems, Repeaters	802.11, Ethernet BASE	Bits	Data Sniffing, Unauthorized access, Physical Damage.	Access Control, Tracking/Securing Physical Assets.