

15. Which of the following best describes the length of a cryptographic hash function output?

- (A) The length of the output is longer than the input due to the hashing process.
- (B) The length of the output is fixed regardless of the length of the input.
- (C) The length of the output varies based on the length of the input.
- (D) The length of the output is shorter than the length of the input.