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OK, I hope it goes well,
Anthony

"Linn Kubler" <lkubler@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:eLZxYoJeIHA.1184@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

You are right, not a lot to test on this side. However I did sort of want to play around with scripting to give my managers a real easy way to reset passwords and unlock users. That's the kind of testing I had in mind.

Thanks,
Linn

"Anthony [MVP]" <anthony@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:uUGDQfJeIHA.5400@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

There's not a lot to test. The user's password will not be affected until it expires, or you set it to be changed at next logon, so you can introduce it that way and change it back if you don't like it.
Anthony,
<http://www.airdesk.co.uk>

"Linn Kubler" <lkubler@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:e%23XfYUJeIHA.5996@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thanks for the help Anthony. But man, that means it's all or nothing, I can't even test this before forcing it on everyone? I don't like that a bit.

Thanks,
Linn

"Anthony [MVP]" <anthony@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in

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news:OqjNu4EeIHA.5552@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

You need to set the account policy in the root of the domain.

There's a good article about it here:

<http://technet2.microsoft.com/windowsserver/en/library/cda0eee3-a52e-4c1b-a9d7->

and here:

<http://technet2.microsoft.com/windowsserver/en/library/b04678d1-510f-48d3-8d10->

Hope that helps,

Anthony

<http://www.airdesk.co.uk>

"Linn Kubler"

<lkubler@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

news:%23EbklIAeIHA.5548@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Hi,

I've been asked to force our users to use strong passwords with user lockouts after a number of wrong attempts. So I started small and setup a new OU and created a test user in it. I then created a group policy, associated it to my new OU and set the Account Lockout Threshold to 3, which in turn set the duration and Reset Account Lockout Counter After to 30 minutes. The policy is linked to my OU and I'm filtering on Domain Users.

Now when I look at the settings of my group policy it doesn't show my lockout settings and when I login as the test user it doesn't show this policy in GPRResults I've done a GPUPDATE but that didn't help.

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So what am I missing? I
suspect it's something
obvious but I'm
stumped once again.

Thanks in advance,
Linn