ARMY ICTL PRACTICE TEST (SAMPLE)

STUDY GUIDE

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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

1. **In disaster recovery planning, what does Recovery Time Objective measure?**

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   B. Recovery Time Onset

   C. Response Time Objective

   D. Recovery Time Offset

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   B. One VLAN can share a broadcast domain with others

   C. VLANs have no effect on broadcast domains

   D. VLANs convert broadcast domains into unicast streams

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Answers

1. A
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3. C
4. A
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7. A
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9. C
10. A

Explanations

1. In disaster recovery planning, what does Recovery Time Objective measure?

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RTO measures the maximum amount of downtime a business can tolerate for a given process after a disruption. It sets the target time by which operations must be restored to an acceptable level, guiding what resilience and recovery steps are needed, what resources to have, and how to test the plan. This value is determined during a business impact analysis and is usually considered alongside the Recovery Point Objective, which defines how much data loss is acceptable. It's about how long operations can be down, not about when an incident is detected, nor about data loss or any timing offsets.

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VLANs segment broadcast domains. A VLAN creates a logical grouping where broadcast frames are confined to devices in that same VLAN, even if those devices share the same physical switch with devices in other VLANs. Devices in different VLANs don't see each other's broadcasts unless inter-VLAN routing is provided by a router or Layer 3 switch. So, each VLAN has its own separate broadcast domain, which is why the statement about every VLAN forming its own broadcast domain is correct. The other ideas don't fit: sharing a broadcast domain across multiple VLANs would defeat the purpose of VLANs, and VLANs don't turn broadcasts into unicast streams within the VLAN.

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System imaging is creating a complete snapshot of a computer—the operating system, installed programs, all settings, and user data—that can be saved and later restored to reproduce that exact system state. In Army IT operations, this is highly valuable for rapid provisioning, disaster recovery, and maintaining standardized, secure baselines across many devices. With a full image, you can bare-metal restore a machine to a known-good configuration after hardware failures, malware incidents, or field deployments, minimizing downtime and ensuring consistency across units. This goes beyond backing up individual files or listing installed software, which would not recreate the full operating environment. Cloning only the boot sector wouldn't capture the full OS, applications, or data needed to restore the system.

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OS accessibility features are built into the operating system to help people with disabilities use the device more easily. Screen readers read on-screen text aloud, high-contrast mode sharpens the visual contrast to aid visibility, magnification enlarges portions of the screen for easier reading, and voice control lets you operate the device with spoken commands. These tools specifically address barriers in how information is presented and how the device is controlled, making technology usable for those with vision or motor impairments. The other options focus on security or system maintenance—firewall configuration and antivirus scans protect and manage safety, disk cleanup utilities tidy up storage, and automatic backups protect data. While important, they don't provide features that assist users with disabilities, so they don't fit the idea of OS accessibility features.

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Mobile Device Management stands for a centralized system that configures, secures, and monitors the mobile devices used in Army operations. It enforces security policies such as strong passwords, device encryption, and automatic locks; controls which apps can be installed; pushes required settings; and can remotely wipe or lock a device if it's lost or compromised. It also provides an up-to-date inventory of devices, OS versions, and installed applications. For Army mobile devices, this is crucial because it protects sensitive information on endpoints, ensures devices adhere to standard security baselines, enables secure access to networks and resources, and allows rapid response to incidents through remote actions. Other options describe data management, firmware distribution, or performance monitoring, which don't address the full scope of security, policy enforcement, and device oversight that MDM provides.

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Rootkits are designed to hide themselves while giving an attacker persistent, privileged control over a system. The essential goal is to obtain and maintain administrator-level access so the attacker can act with high privileges without being detected, install backdoors, and manipulate or monitor the system over time. This stealthy elevation and persistence is what distinguishes rootkits from other types of malware. Encrypting files for ransom describes ransomware, which aims to monetize access by locking data. Monitoring system temperatures is a legitimate diagnostic task and not the rootkit's purpose. Blocking incoming connections is something a firewall does or a malware might do to avoid detection, but it does not define the rootkit's primary function. Therefore, gaining administrator-level access best captures the rootkit's main purpose.

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Understanding what each cloud service model provides helps you see how they differ in control and responsibility. In IaaS, you rent the basic computing resources—virtual servers, storage, and networking—while you manage the operating systems and applications that run on top. An Army-IT example is hosting the Army's data center infrastructure in a virtualized form, where units provision and scale their own virtual machines as needed. In PaaS, you get a platform that includes a runtime environment and tooling to develop, deploy, and manage applications, without worrying about the underlying hardware or OS setup. An Army example would be a secure development platform that provides middleware, databases, and deployment pipelines so developers can build and release Army apps more efficiently. In SaaS, you access ready-to-use software over the internet, with the provider handling everything from the infrastructure to the application itself. An Army example is email or office productivity tools delivered through the cloud, enabling use without local installation and with centralized security controls. This combination matches the described option because it correctly assigns each service model to its typical responsibility and a representative Army-IT example. The other descriptions blur these distinctions by suggesting IaaS offers ready-made apps, PaaS offers infrastructure, or SaaS handles runtime environments, which misstates what each service level provides.

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A Trojan Horse works by hiding malicious functionality inside something that looks legitimate, then gaining trust or access by exploiting legitimate authorizations. It doesn't reveal its true purpose upfront, so users or systems are tricked into installing or executing it. Once inside, it can perform harmful actions, data theft, or backdoor access while pretending to be harmless software. That deceptive, permission-using behavior is what makes it a Trojan Horse—the program leverages trust and legitimate privileges to operate covertly. The other options don't fit this idea. Automatically deleting itself after use is just a self-removal tactic and not the defining trait of a Trojan. A tool used to measure network performance is a legitimate benchmarking utility, not malware. A firewall rule is a security control, not a type of software that deceives users or bypasses protections.

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DNS translates domain names into IP addresses, enabling computers to locate and connect to servers using human-friendly names. When you type a domain like example.com, a DNS resolver looks up the corresponding numerical address that routers use to reach that server, and your browser then connects to that IP. This naming service is distributed and can cache answers to speed future lookups, but it doesn't itself handle encryption, assign IPs to devices, or host content. Encryption of web traffic is provided by protocols like TLS/HTTPS, IP addresses are typically assigned by DHCP or manual configuration, and multimedia content is served by web servers or content delivery networks.

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Public Key Infrastructure is the framework that enables trusted use of digital certificates. The main pieces are certificate authorities, which issue and sign certificates; digital certificates themselves, which bind a public key to an entity's identity; and certificate lifecycle management, which covers issuing, renewing, revoking, and validating certificates over time. This combination creates a trusted system for authenticating identities and securing communications, with mechanisms to check certificate validity (like revocation lists and online status checks). The other options describe either the cryptographic materials themselves without the trust framework (public key algorithms, private keys, and certificates) or unrelated network-related components (DNS, DHCP, NAT, or common network devices). Such items are important but do not constitute the full infrastructure needed to manage and trust digital certificates.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!