Microsoft Administration Pt 2 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. Don't worry about getting everything right, 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, and take breaks to retain information better.

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.

7. Use Other Tools

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. **What should be renamed after the cutover during an Azure Migrate configuration?**

   A. The Azure VM

   B. The source device

   C. The migration project

   D. The Azure subscription

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   A. Use the PowerShell cmdlet: Install-WindowsFeature Migration

   B. Use Control Panel

   C. Use Server Configuration Manager

   D. Use the Add Roles and Features wizard found in Server Manager

3. **In which scenario would you run the command `ping`?**

   A. To trace the route to a server

   B. To flush the DNS cache

   C. To check if a server is reachable

   D. To view routing table information

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   A. Child domain controllers first, then forest root

   B. Upgrade all domain controllers simultaneously

   C. Upgrade domain controllers in the forest root domain first

   D. Upgrade only the primary domain controllers

5. **What service tag should be allowed in NSGs to facilitate writing data to the cache storage account from the VM?**

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   B. Network

   C. Storage

   D. Web

6. **What is the primary purpose of Azure Backup Recovery Services vaults?**

   A. To store recovery points for restoring Azure VMs or disks

   B. To manage access to Azure subscriptions

   C. To configure network settings

   D. To monitor system performance

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   A. Reliability Monitor

   B. Windows Action Center

   C. Event Viewer

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   B. Keep them on existing servers

   C. Delete them and recreate as needed

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    A. Only local networking

    B. Using Hybrid Connections

    C. Dedicated VLANs

    D. Public Internet access only

Answers

1. B
2. A
3. C
4. C
5. C
6. A
7. D
8. B
9. A
10. B

Explanations

1. What should be renamed after the cutover during an Azure Migrate configuration?

A. The Azure VM

B. The source device

C. The migration project

D. The Azure subscription

After the cutover during an Azure Migrate configuration, it is essential to rename the source device. This step is crucial for properly managing and identifying resources post-migration. Once the migration has taken place, the source device typically becomes obsolete or is repurposed, and ensuring it has a distinct name helps in differentiating it from other devices or resources within both the on-premises and cloud environments. Renaming the source device also eliminates confusion regarding its former role and clearly indicates that the workload is now running in Azure. This practice aids in maintaining good governance and management within Azure, especially when tracking resources and their statuses after migration.   In contrast, the Azure VM, migration project, and Azure subscription do not require renaming post-cutover. The Azure VM represents the newly migrated instance and its configuration remains relevant and intact after the migration. The migration project serves as a record of the migration strategy and should stay identifiable for any future needs. The Azure subscription is a broader container for your Azure resources and typically does not change during the migration process, as it remains associated with your account. Thus, renaming the source device is the most pertinent action to take following the cutover.

2. Which method can be used to install Windows Server Migration Tools?

A. Use the PowerShell cmdlet: Install-WindowsFeature Migration

B. Use Control Panel

C. Use Server Configuration Manager

D. Use the Add Roles and Features wizard found in Server Manager

The method of using the PowerShell cmdlet 'Install-WindowsFeature Migration' is the most efficient and scriptable approach to install Windows Server Migration Tools. This cmdlet facilitates the automation of the installation process within a PowerShell session, ensuring that the necessary features are installed quickly and effectively. Using PowerShell is particularly advantageous in server environments where automation and repeatability are valuable. It allows administrators to incorporate installation commands into scripts, simplifying management of multiple servers or configurations. This command will explicitly pull in the Migration tools as part of the Windows Server features, streamlining the setup process. Other methods such as utilizing the Control Panel or the Server Configuration Manager are less direct for this specific task. The Add Roles and Features wizard in Server Manager, while useful, tends to be a more manual process that may not leverage the automation benefits of PowerShell, which is exceptionally potent in a modern IT workflow. Therefore, PowerShell is the preferred method for efficient server management and deployment.

3. In which scenario would you run the command `ping`?

A. To trace the route to a server

B. To flush the DNS cache

C. To check if a server is reachable

D. To view routing table information

Running the command `ping` is primarily used to check if a server is reachable over the network. When `ping` is executed, it sends Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) echo request packets to the target server and listens for echo replies. If the server is reachable, it responds to these packets, indicating that it is online and capable of communication. The response time can also provide insight into the network latency to that server. This tool is essential for network troubleshooting as it allows administrators to quickly ascertain the status of a server or network device. If there are no responses received, it suggests that the server might be down or that there is a connectivity issue present between the source and the destination. The other options listed involve different network functions and commands. For example, tracing the route to a server typically uses commands like `tracert` or `traceroute`, while flushing the DNS cache is done with commands such as `ipconfig /flushdns`. Viewing routing table information involves using commands like `route print` or similar, depending on the operating system. Therefore, the scenario where `ping` is appropriately utilized is specifically for determining whether a server or network device is reachable, making it the correct choice in this context.

4. When upgrading an existing forest, what is the correct order for upgrading domain controllers?

A. Child domain controllers first, then forest root

B. Upgrade all domain controllers simultaneously

C. Upgrade domain controllers in the forest root domain first

D. Upgrade only the primary domain controllers

Upgrading domain controllers in the correct order is crucial for maintaining the integrity and functionality of an Active Directory environment. The recommended approach is to upgrade the domain controllers in the forest root domain first. This is because the forest root domain contains critical information that affects the entire forest, including the schema and configuration partitions. By upgrading the forest root domain controllers first, you ensure that the new functionalities and capabilities of the upgraded version can be fully leveraged throughout the other domains. The forest root acts as the anchor for the entire directory service, and if its controllers are outdated, it can lead to compatibility issues and hinder the functionality of child domains during the upgrade process. Once the forest root is successfully upgraded, you can proceed with upgrading the child domain controllers. This sequential approach minimizes the risk of issues arising and helps ensure a smooth transition to the new environment.   Other options, while they may seem plausible, do not follow the best practices for upgrading Active Directory environments, leading to potential risks such as service disruptions or feature compatibility problems.

5. What service tag should be allowed in NSGs to facilitate writing data to the cache storage account from the VM?

A. Compute

B. Network

C. Storage

D. Web

Allowing the Storage service tag in Network Security Groups (NSGs) is essential for facilitating communication between virtual machines (VMs) and Azure Storage accounts. When VMs need to write data to a cache storage account, they need to access the associated Azure Storage services. The Storage service tag encompasses the necessary IP addresses and endpoints that are required to enable this communication. By allowing the Storage service tag, you ensure that all relevant storage operations are permitted, which includes writing data and other management tasks associated with Azure Storage. This streamlined access is vital for applications running on the VMs that require interaction with the storage layer. The Compute service tag typically pertains to resources related to virtual machines themselves and does not include storage operations. The Network service tag is focused on network resources but doesn't provide access to storage services. The Web service tag generally relates to web-related services and is not relevant for direct interactions with storage accounts. Thus, allowing the Storage service tag is the most appropriate configuration to facilitate writing data to cache storage from a virtual machine.

6. What is the primary purpose of Azure Backup Recovery Services vaults?

A. To store recovery points for restoring Azure VMs or disks

B. To manage access to Azure subscriptions

C. To configure network settings

D. To monitor system performance

The primary purpose of Azure Backup Recovery Services vaults is to store recovery points for restoring Azure VMs or disks. This service is designed to provide a secure and scalable way to back up and restore data across Azure workloads. When backups are taken, recovery points are created at specified intervals. These recovery points allow administrators to restore their virtual machines or disks to a specific moment in time, providing essential data protection and disaster recovery capabilities. In particular, Azure Backup Recovery Services vaults not only store these recovery points but also manage the data retention policy and provide features such as encryption and deduplication, making them crucial for maintaining the integrity and security of backup data. The other answer choices relate to functionalities that do not represent the primary role of a Recovery Services vault. For example, managing access to subscriptions is typically handled through Azure Active Directory and role-based access control, while network settings and system performance monitoring are matters of network configurations and monitoring services, respectively. Thus, while they are important in their own contexts, they do not pertain to the core purpose of Recovery Services vaults in Azure.

7. When analyzing the performance of a slow system, which additional resource can provide more information?

A. Reliability Monitor

B. Windows Action Center

C. Event Viewer

D. Resource Monitor

The Resource Monitor is a powerful tool that provides in-depth insights into how system resources are being utilized. When dealing with a system that is experiencing slow performance, it allows users to monitor CPU usage, memory consumption, disk activity, and network performance in real time. This granularity can help pinpoint which processes or services are overusing resources, leading to slowdowns. For instance, if the CPU usage is consistently high, Resource Monitor will help identify specific processes responsible for that spike. Similarly, it can show memory consumption patterns along with any potential bottlenecks in disk or network operations. This actionable data is crucial for diagnosing performance issues and determining where optimizations or further investigation are needed. While other tools mentioned, like Event Viewer or Reliability Monitor, provide valuable information regarding system logs and reliability-related events, they do not offer the same level of detail on resource usage that Resource Monitor does. Windows Action Center generally focuses on system health and alerts rather than specific performance metrics. Therefore, Resource Monitor stands out as the most appropriate resource for obtaining detailed performance information on a slow system.

8. Under normal operation, how often does a domain controller perform replication?

A. Every 5 minutes

B. Every 15 minutes

C. Every 30 minutes

D. Every hour

A domain controller typically performs replication every 15 minutes under normal operational circumstances. This frequency allows for timely synchronization of directory information across domain controllers within the same domain or across multiple domains in a forest. Efficient replication is critical for ensuring that all domain controllers have up-to-date information, which is essential for user authentication, access control, and overall network functionality. The 15-minute interval reflects a balance between network load and the need for up-to-date directory data. Replication occurs more frequently than some other intervals offered in the choices, allowing administrators to respond quickly to changes in the environment, such as new accounts being created or existing accounts being modified or deleted.

9. What action should be taken with the FSMO roles during an upgrade process?

A. Transfer them to new domain controllers

B. Keep them on existing servers

C. Delete them and recreate as needed

D. Distribute them among all domain controllers

Transferring the Flexible Single Master Operations (FSMO) roles to new domain controllers during an upgrade process is essential for maintaining the integrity and functionality of the Active Directory environment. The FSMO roles are crucial for various operations within the domain, such as managing directory information and ensuring the correct functioning of the domain infrastructure. By transferring these roles to new domain controllers before an upgrade, you significantly reduce the risk of service interruptions. This practice ensures that the new servers will take over the responsibilities of the FSMO roles without issues, allowing for a smoother transition and minimizing the chance of downtime or complications that may arise if roles remained on older hardware or software configurations. This approach also helps maintain continuity and reliability of the environment by placing FSMO roles on servers that are being prepared and optimized for current workloads and functionality. Keeping FSMO roles on existing servers may lead to potential risks or challenges, especially if those servers are becoming outdated with the new upgrade process.

10. For effective deployment, which network configuration is essential when integrating on-premises databases with Azure applications?

A. Only local networking

B. Using Hybrid Connections

C. Dedicated VLANs

D. Public Internet access only

Using Hybrid Connections is essential for effectively integrating on-premises databases with Azure applications because it provides a secure and reliable method for connecting on-premises resources to Azure without requiring complex network setups or extensive changes to your existing infrastructure. Hybrid Connections enables applications hosted in Azure to securely access your on-premises databases over the internet using an outbound connection, which streamlines the integration process. This option leverages the benefits of both cloud and on-premises environments, allowing for a seamless connection while maintaining security and performance. It also supports scenarios where you might not want to expose your data directly to the public internet but still need your Azure applications to access resources located within your internal network. Overall, Hybrid Connections balances accessibility and security, making it ideal for a robust integration strategy between on-premises databases and Azure applications.

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.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

Or visit your dedicated course page for more study tools and resources:

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