



1. Monitoring, Logging, and Remediation-

1.1 Implement metrics, alarms, and filters by using AWS monitoring and logging services-

- Identify, collect, analyze, and export logs (for example, Amazon CloudWatch Logs, CloudWatch Logs Insights, AWS CloudTrail logs)
- Collect metrics and logs using the CloudWatch agent
- Create CloudWatch alarms
- Create metric filters
- Create CloudWatch dashboards
- Configure notifications (for example, Amazon Simple Notification Service [Amazon SNS],
- Service Quotas, CloudWatch alarms, AWS Health events)

1.2 Remediate issues based on monitoring and availability metrics-

- Troubleshoot or take corrective actions based on notifications and alarms
- Configure Amazon Event Bridge rules to trigger actions
- Use AWS Systems Manager Automation documents to take action based on AWS Config. Rules

2. Reliability and Business Continuity-

2.1 Implement scalability and elasticity-

- Create and maintain AWS Auto Scaling plans
- Implement caching
- Implement Amazon RDS replicas and Amazon Aurora Replicas
- Implement loosely coupled architectures
- Differentiate between horizontal scaling and vertical scaling

2.2 Implement high availability and resilient environments-

- Configure Elastic Load Balancer and Amazon Route 53 health checks
- Differentiate between the use of a single Availability Zone and Multi-AZ deployments (for example, Amazon EC2 Auto Scaling groups, Elastic Load Balancing, Amazon FSx, Amazon RDS)
- Implement fault-tolerant workloads (for example, Amazon Elastic File System [Amazon EFS], Elastic IP addresses)
- Implement Route 53 routing policies (for example, failover, weighted, latency based)

2.3 Implement backup and restore strategies-

- Automate snapshots and backups based on use cases (for example, RDS snapshots, AWS Backup, RTO and RPO, Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager, retention policy)
- Restore databases (for example, point-in-time restore, promote read replica)
- Implement versioning and lifecycle rules

- Configure Amazon S3 Cross-Region Replication
- Execute disaster recovery procedures

3. Deployment, Provisioning, and Automation-

3.1 Provision and maintain cloud resources-

- Create and manage AMIs (for example, EC2 Image Builder)
- Create, manage, and troubleshoot AWS Cloud Formation
- Provision resources across multiple AWS Regions and accounts (for example, AWS Resource Access Manager, Cloud Formation Stack Sets, IAM cross-account roles)
- Select deployment scenarios and services (for example, blue/green, rolling, canary)
- Identify and remediate deployment issues (for example, service quotas, subnet sizing, Cloud Formation and AWS OpsWorks errors, and permissions)

3.2 Automate manual or repeatable processes-

- Use AWS services (for example, OpsWorks, Systems Manager, CloudFormation) to automate deployment processes
- Implement automated patch management
- Schedule automated tasks by using AWS services (for example, EventBridge, AWS Config)

4. Security and Compliance-

4.1 Implement and manage security and compliance policies-

- Implement IAM features (for example, password policies, MFA, roles, SAML, federated identity, resource policies, and policy conditions)
- Troubleshoot and audit access issues by using AWS services (for example, Cloud Trail, IAM Access Analyzer, IAM policy simulator)
- Validate service control policies and permissions boundaries
- Review AWS Trusted Advisor security checks
- Validate AWS Region and service selections based on compliance requirements
- Implement secure multi-account strategies (for example, AWS Control Tower, AWS Organizations)

4.2 Implement data and infrastructure protection strategies-

- Enforce a data classification scheme
- Create, manage, and protect encryption keys
- Implement encryption at rest (for example, AWS Key Management Service [AWS KMS])
- Implement encryption in transit (for example, AWS Certificate Manager, VPN)
- Securely store secrets by using AWS services (for example, AWS Secrets Manager, Systems Manager Parameter Store)
- Review reports or findings (for example, AWS Security Hub, Amazon Guard Duty, AWS Config, Amazon Inspector)

5. Networking and Content Delivery-

5.1 Implement networking features and connectivity-

- Configure a VPC (for example, subnets, route tables, network ACLs, security groups, NAT gateway, and internet gateway)
- Configure private connectivity (for example, Systems Manager Session Manager, VPC endpoints, VPC peering, VPN)
- Configure AWS network protection services (for example, AWS WAF, AWS Shield)

5.2 Configure domains, DNS services, and content delivery-

- Configure Route 53 hosted zones and records
- Implement Route 53 routing policies (for example, geo-location, and geo-proximity)
- Configure DNS (for example, Route 53 Resolver)
- Configure Amazon CloudFront and S3 origin access identity (OAI)

5.3 Troubleshoot network connectivity issues-

- Interpret VPC configurations (for example, subnets, route tables, network ACLs, security groups)
- Collect and interpret logs (for example, VPC Flow Logs, Elastic Load Balancer access logs, AWS WAF web ACL logs, Cloud Front logs)
- Identify and remediate Cloud Front caching issues
- Troubleshoot hybrid and private connectivity issues

6. Cost and Performance Optimization-

6.1 Implement cost optimization strategies-

- Implement cost allocation tags
- Identify and remediate underutilized or unused resources by using AWS services and tools (for example, Trusted Advisor, AWS Compute Optimizer, Cost Explorer)
- Configure AWS Budgets and billing alarms
- Assess resource usage patterns to qualify workloads for EC2 Spot Instances
- Identify opportunities to use managed services (for example, Amazon RDS, AWS Fargate, EFS)

6.2 Implement performance optimization strategies-

- Recommend compute resources based on performance metrics
- Monitor Amazon EBS metrics and modify configuration to increase performance efficiency
- Implement S3 performance features (for example, S3 Transfer Acceleration, multipart uploads)
- Monitor RDS metrics and modify the configuration to increase performance efficiency (for example, Performance Insights, RDS Proxy)
- Enable enhanced EC2 capabilities (for example, enhanced network adapter, instance store, placement groups)