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## Cloud Computing V2

## IBM Cloud console

IBM Cloud: Signup

The IBM Cloud Dashboard console is a user interface that helps you manage all your IBM Cloud resources. When you access the dashboard, you can create a free account, log in, access documentation, access the catalog, view pricing information, get support, or check the status of IBM Cloud components. After you log in, the menu bar contains a Menu icon and more links.

Before you work on any of the exercises in this course, you must sign up for an IBM Cloud account.

#### IBM Cloud Lite account

You can register for a free IBM Cloud Lite account. For more information about an IBM Cloud Lite account, see the following video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0rMYXcbpHbI

For more information about IBM Cloud Lite accounts, see the following resources:

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https://cloud.ibm.com/docs/account?topic=account-accounts

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When you sign up for a free IBM Cloud Account, you start with the Lite account. A Lite account includes the following main features:

- The account is free (no credit card is required).
- The account never expires.
- You receive 256 MB of memory for your Cloud Foundry applications.
- You have access to specific services that are tagged as Lite.

A Pay-As-You-Go account requires entering your credit card information. With a Pay-As-You-Go account, you are eligible for free runtime and service allowances. If you use more than the free allowance, you receive a monthly IBM Cloud invoice. This invoice provides 512 MB of free memory for your Cloud Foundry applications. In addition, all of the free services that are in the catalog are available to you. Charges are based on your use of IBM Cloud compute resources and services.

With a Subscription account, you commit to a minimum spending amount each month and receive a subscription discount that is applied to that minimum charge. You also pay for any usage that exceeds the minimum spending amount.

### IBM Cloud: Login

IBM Cloud provides several ways to log in: Either you log in by using the user interface and providing your credentials to access the IBM Cloud dashboard or you use the CLI. You can also use the CLI to perform other actions, such as deploying

applications and checking available services.

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When you log in to IBM Cloud, the first page that you see is the dashboard, which shows widgets that summarize the status of your account. First here, you can manage your resources. Click the **Menu** icon and select **Resource List** to view all the existing resources in your account. You can then take the following actions:

- Use the Catalog link to create resources.
- Use the **Docs** link to access useful information about IBM Cloud.
- Use the **Support** link to access the Support Center.
- From the Manage menu, you can access your account, billing and usage, and IAM options.
- Click the **Cost estimator** icon to open the cost estimator.
- Click the **Notifications** icon to access announcements and planned and unplanned events.

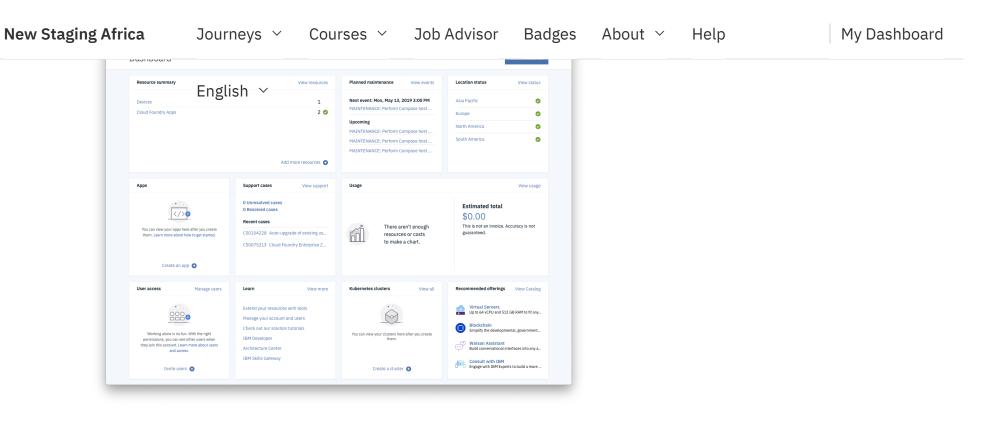


Figure 1. IBM Cloud Dashboard

#### IBM Cloud: Docs

The IBM Cloud Docs section help developers get started with IBM Cloud by providing the following items:

- Service descriptions
- Use cases
- Solution tutorials
- Architecture Center articles

• Garage Method assets

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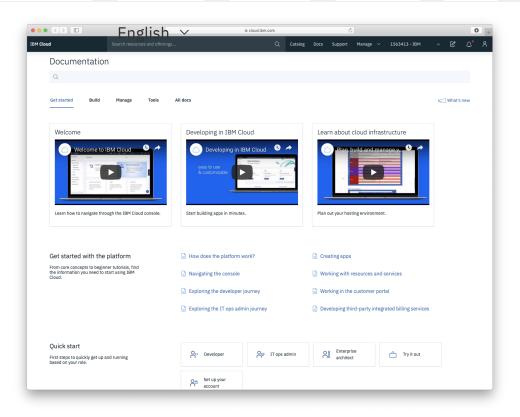


Figure 2. IBM Cloud Docs

# IBM Cloud: Support

The IBM Cloud Support section help developers get the right support and open ticket cases with IBM.

Developers can also browse FAQs, go to community-based forums, have a live chat with support, or even contact IBM directly over many channels to get support.

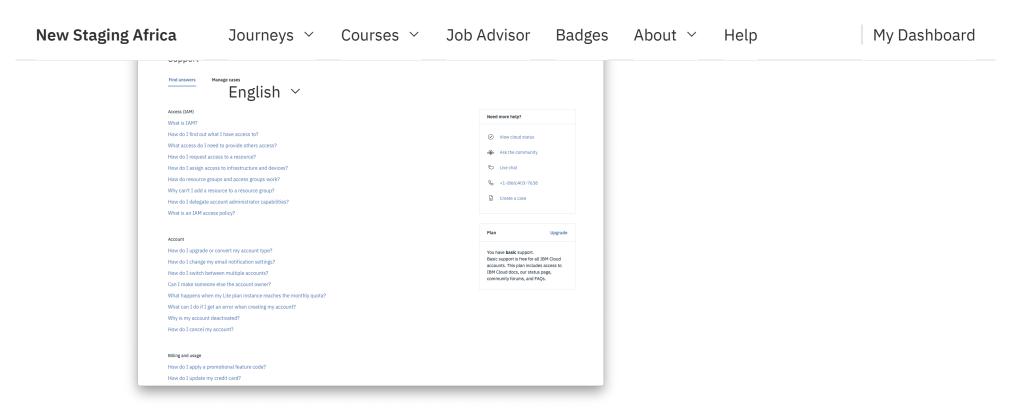


Figure 3. IBM Cloud Support



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