

ALX Foundations: Milestone 11 Worksheet

Step 1: Tech Track Interest

After having a taste of the 5 tech tracks, please share your personal ranking of them. (1 being the most appealing, 5 being the least appealing.) For your #1 and #2, state WHY you find these 2 the most appealing. (This does not commit you to anything, you are just stating what you currently feel most drawn to.)

As a reminder, they are:

- AWS
- Salesforce
- Software Engineering
- Data Analytics
- Data Sciences

Step 1: Tech Areas Ranking

- 1. AWS:** I find this appealing because the opportunities here are exciting to me and yet to be fully explored especially by the African continent.
- 2. DATA ANALYTICS:** This is an aspect of tech I would love to go into because I can easily combine it with finance.
- 3. DATA SCIENCES**
- 4. SOFTWARE ENGINEERING**
- 5. SALESFORCE**

Step 2: Strengths

List your personal strengths. List at least 15 total, and be sure to include at least 2 from each of the 3 categories: Talents/Skills, Knowledge, Professional Qualities. (You have already done a version of this. You are encouraged to approach it fresh and *not* refer back to what you have done before.)

Here are some example strengths from each of the 3 categories.

Example Talents & Skills:

- Strong self-discipline and grit
- Good listener
- Good friend
- Analytical mind

- Intuitive Gardener
- Quick to learn new dance steps

Example Knowledge:

- Football statistics
- History of hip hop
- Organic Chemistry
- Gardening techniques
- Intermediate level Perl and C++ -

Example Professional Qualities:

- Organized
- Reliable
- Good Listener
- Writing good Perl scripts

Step 2: My Strengths (Talents & Skills, Knowledge, & Professional Qualities)
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Active Listener 2. Analytical mind 3. Independent thinker 4. Fast learner 5. Good friend 6. Accounting 7. Organized 8. Reliable 9. Optimistic work attitude 10. Empathy 11. Good team player 12. Motivator 13. Good communication 14. Grit mindset 15. Financial discipline |
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Step 3: Areas for Growth

Next, list your areas of growth. These are not simply areas of weakness. They should be specific areas *that you actually want to improve upon*. And include a brief WHY. Note that these

do not have to be quantified (that is, they do not need to use a SMART goal format). Please list at least 6 areas for growth.

For example:

- Do more exercise so that I feel stronger and healthier in my body.
- Learn how to better communicate with people from other cultures so that I am more likely to be hired by an international company.
- Visit my mother more often because I care about her and want to make sure she's doing ok.

Step 3: My Areas for Growth

1. Proper rationing of time for my day's activities to track my progress for the year.
2. Create more quality family time to foster love, growth and understanding.
3. Complete my tech career to become a certified tech professional.
4. Complete my Finance certification to become a Chartered Accountant.
5. Improve my work relation with colleagues and customers to foster a good work environment.
6. Close out friends and company that don't contribute to my career and financial goals as this will keep me on track to achieving my years goals.
7. Aim for total reduction in being judgmental to people's decisions about life.
8. Spend more reading and studying time to improve my study and career life.
9. Develop a strong **NO** for certain aspects of my life to help me shut out some distractions.
10. Build 3 solid sources of income to build a more comfortable life.

Step 4: GCGOs

Now, list the 3 GCGOs that most strongly resonate with you and for each, write 1-2 sentences about WHY they resonate with you. As a reminder the 14 GCGOs are:

- Urbanization
- Education
- Infrastructure
- Healthcare
- Climate change
- Governance
- Job creation

- Agriculture
- Natural resources
- Arts, culture, and design
- Tourism
- Empowerment of women
- Regional integration
- Wildlife conservation

For example:

- Wildlife conservation because I really love animals and think they have just as much right to be on the planet as humans do. I feel especially passionate about not letting mountain gorillas and rhinos go extinct.
- Education because I believe our knowledge and mindsets are the best assets we have as humans. I want to live in a world where anyone who wants it has access to quality education.
- Agriculture because I've always loved gardening and I want people to have healthy food to eat at low cost. I'm excited when I hear about people finding ways to "hack" agriculture to produce greater crop yields and lower costs.

Step 4: My Top 3 GCGOs
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Healthcare because on linkedin, I do see the contribution of tech to improving healthcare, but Africa is yet to key into the contribution of tech to health care. I believe these contributions can flow from us to improving our healthcare system here in Africa. 2. Education because I believe knowledge is power and helps people stay informed. An informed person will likely make good life decisions and take proper action in making the society a better place. Tech can make educational learning easier than we can imagine. 3. Job creation because tech can create many jobs that can create economic growth, bring in loads of investors and make the people involved fulfilled with their career and maybe life in general.

Step 5: Areas of Care

In addition to the GCGOs, list at least 6 other things you deeply care about, including things you want.

For example:

- My 2 sisters. I want to make sure they are safe and can keep going to school.
- The neighbor who lives down the road who is always kind to me and is sick now.
- I want to buy some land and build a house.

- I care about wild animals and am passionate about saving endangered species from extinction.
- I would like to have a healthier relationship with my father.

Step 5: What I deeply care about

1. I would like to be one of the best cloud computing experts come the year 2027.
2. I would like my younger brothers to be a tech expert in different fields such as software engineering and cyber security.
3. Guide and encourage my wife to become Human Resources Management before the end of this year.
4. Relocate myself and family to either Canada or USA for a better life.
5. Build a healthier relationship with God.
6. I want to own a house in Lagos, Nigeria.
7. Become part of the tech team of one of the foremost banks in Nigeria, while I am still in the country
8. I would love to see our health sector progress to match that of the white.
9. I would like to see my friends progress in their various fields of career.
10. Make my mom's retirement go smooth for her.

Step 6: Track Choice

Which tech track (AWS, Salesforce, Data Science, Data Analytics or Software Engineering) are you planning to pursue? It's okay if you're not still not absolutely certain, but you should select your most likely choice. Please list the number of weeks or months that your chosen track takes. (So that we know you know!) 😊

Step 6: Chosen Tech Track

A. Track choice: AWS

B. Track length (12 weeks, 14 weeks, 42 weeks, or 1 year): 14 Weeks

Step 7: Three Reasons

Please reflect on your why for pursuing your chosen tech track. List 3 reasons why this track appeals to you personally / why you want to pursue it.

Step 7: Reasons

- A. It will open job opportunities for me in the tech space.
- B. The skill I will acquire will enable me to work with both local or international teams.
- C. The concept and content of the AWS course gets me excited and I am committed to make sure I bag the certification while having hands on experience.

Step 8: Desired Job/Position

After you complete your tech track, what would be your ideal job title or position?

Step 8: Job title/Position you want

AWS solution architect

Once you have completed this worksheet, export/convert to .pdf, rename it per the instructions, and upload to Kritik as your Milestone 11 Submission. Celebrate a job well done!