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⚠ Do not change the lab Region unless specifically instructed to do so.

Task 1: Create an account password policy

In this task, you create a custom password policy for your AWS account. This policy affects all the users associated with the account.

6. First, note the Region that you are in (for example, **Oregon**). The upper-right corner of the console page displays your Region.
7. In the AWS Management Console, in the search **Q** box, enter **IAM** and select it.
8. In the left navigation pane, choose **Account settings**.

Here you can see the default password policy that is currently in effect. The company that you are working for has much stricter requirements, and you need to update this policy.

9. Choose **Change password policy**.
10. Under **Select your account password policy requirements**, configure the following options:
 - For **Enforce minimum password length**, change **8** to **10** characters.
 - Select every check box except the check box for **Password expiration requires administrator reset**.
 - For **Enable password expiration**, leave the default option of **90** days.
 - For **Prevent password reuse**, leave the default option of **5** passwords.
11. Choose **Save changes**.

These changes take affect at the AWS account level and apply to every user associated with the account.

Summary of task 1

In this task, you strengthened the password requirements by creating a custom password policy. The various password options that you



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IAM > Account Settings

Account settings Info

Password policy Info Edit

Configure the password requirements for the IAM users.

This AWS account uses the following custom password policy:

Password minimum length
9 characters

Password strength

- Require at least one uppercase letter from the Latin alphabet (A-Z)
- Require at least one number
- Require at least one non-alphanumeric character

Other requirements

- Password expires in 12 day(s)
- Password expiration requires administrator reset
- Allow users to change their own password

Security Token Service (STS) Info

STS is used to create and provide trusted users with temporary security credentials that can control access to your AWS resources.

Session Tokens from the STS endpoints

AWS recommends using regional STS endpoints to reduce latency. Session tokens from regional STS endpoints are valid in all AWS Regions. If you use regional STS endpoints, no action is required. Session tokens from the global STS endpoint (https://sts.amazonaws.com) are valid only in AWS Regions that are enabled by default. If

Edit password policy

Info

Password policy

☐ IAM default

Apply default password requirements.

☒ Custom

Apply customized password requirements.

Password minimum length.

Enforce a minimum length of characters.

3 characters

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- ☒ Require at least one number
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Other requirements

- ☒ Turn on password expiration
 - Expire password in 12 day(s)
 - Needs to be between 1 and 1095 days.
- ☒ Password expiration requires administrator reset
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Task 2: Explore users and user groups

In this task, you explore the users and user groups that have already been created for you in IAM.

12. In the left navigation pane, choose **Users**.

The following IAM users have been created for you:

- user-1
- user-2
- user-3

13. Choose **user-1**.

This option bring you to a **Summary** page for **user-1**. The **Permissions** tab is displayed.

Notice that user-1 does not have any permissions.

14. Choose the **Groups** tab.

user-1 is also is not a member of any user groups.

i A user group consists of several users who need access to the same data. Privileges can be distributed to the entire group of users rather than to each individual. This option is much more efficient when applying permissions and provides greater overall control of access to resources than applying permissions to individuals.

15. Choose the **Security credentials** tab.

user-1 is assigned a **Console password**.

16. In the left navigation pane, choose **User groups**.

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67. Paste the **Sign-in URL for IAM users in this account** into your private window, and press Enter.

If this link is not in your clipboard, retrieve it from the text editor where you pasted it earlier.

68. Sign in using the following credentials:

- **IAM user name:** Enter `user-3`
- **Password:** Enter `Lab-Password3`

69. Choose **Sign in**.

If you see a dialog prompting you to switch to the new console home, choose **Switch to the new Console Home**.

70. From the **Services** menu, choose **EC2**.

71. In the left navigation pane, choose **Instances**.

As an EC2 administrator, you should now have permissions to stop the EC2 instance.

Your EC2 instance should be selected. If it is not, choose it.

⚠ If you cannot see an EC2 instance, then your Region may be incorrect. In the upper-right of the screen, choose the **Region** menu, and select the Region that you noted at the start of the lab (for example, **Oregon**).

72. From the **Instance state** dropdown list, choose **Stop instance**.

73. In the **Stop instance?** window, choose **Stop**.

The instance should enter the **Stopping** state and will shut down.

74. Close your private window.

Summary of task 4