Deploy a high-availability web app using CloudFormation

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The Basics

| Success Criteria | Specifications |
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| Parameters | The more the better, but an exaggerated number of parameters can be messy (say, 10 or more). 1 or 0 is definitely lacking. |
| Infrastructure Diagram | An infrastructure diagram is present with the required network, server, and storage resources. |
| Security Groups | Security Groups follow the least privilege principle. |
| Resources | This is the mandatory section of the script, we are looking for a LoadBalancer, Launch Template, AutoScaling group a health check, security groups and a Listener and Target Group. |
| Outputs | Should have URL here with the Load Balancer DNS Name and "http" in front of it. |
| Working Test | If the student provides a URL to verify his work is running properly, it will be a page that says "it works! Udagram, Udacity" |
| Scripts | Scripts allow automation of the creation and deletion of infrastructure. |

Load Balancer

| Success | |
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| Criteria | Specifications |

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| Target Group | The auto-scaling group needs to have a property that associates it with a target group. The Load Balancer will have a Listener rule associated with the same target group |
| Health Check and Listener | Port 80 should be used in Security groups, health checks and listeners associated with the load balancer |

Auto-Scaling

| Success Criteria | Specifications |
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| Subnets | Students should be using PRIV-NET (private subnets) for their autoscaling instances |
| Machine Specs | The machine should have 10 GB or more of disk and should be a t3.small or better. The LaunchTemplate configuration should match the server's requirements. |
| Importing Network IDs from Network Stack | Network output values are used as imports in the Udagram stack. |
| Success Criteria | Specifications |
| Output | Any values in the output section are a bonus |
| Bastion Host | Any resource of type AWS::EC2::Instance, optional, but nice to have. |

Suggestions to Make Your Project Stand Out

-Students can deploy Windows Servers instead of Linux and use PowerShell scripts to showcase their Windows management skills. -Students can use AWS Parameter Store to save sensitive data, such as credentials to showcase their attention to security. -Students can use CloudWatch Alarms and CloudWatch custom metrics to showcase their performance and monitoring skills.