Introduction to ServiceNow

1. Accessibility and Cloud Hosting

- **Cloud-Based Access:** ServiceNow is accessible from any device with internet connectivity, like Gmail.
- Data and Application Access: Users can access data and applications from anywhere.

2. ServiceNow as a Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS)

- **PaaS Model:** Allows organizations to develop, deploy, and manage applications without maintaining infrastructure.
- Minimal Coding Required: Supports application development with minimal or no coding.

3. Core Modules and Services

- ITSM (Information Technology Service Management): Foundational module supporting incident, problem, and change management.
- Additional Modules: Includes HR management, GRC (Governance, Risk, and Compliance), Financial Operations Management.
- **Integration Capabilities:** Essential for connecting with third-party systems, e.g., in banking.

4. Career Growth in ServiceNow

- Target Audience: Guides IT and non-IT professionals.
- Learning Resources: Free ServiceNow instances for learning and development.
- No-Code/Low-Code Environment: Facilitates wider adoption and career opportunities.
- **Inactive Instances:** Released after 10 days of inactivity; requires login to reclaim or restore.
- **Hibernation:** Instances inactive for 24 hours enter hibernation; requires waking up.
- Maintaining a ServiceNow Instance
- Reclaiming and Restoring Instances

5. Organizational Instances

• **Continuous Activity:** For organizations, instances stay active continuously with paid service.

Becoming a ServiceNow Developer

1. Educational Requirements

- **Degree:** Bachelor's degree in IT or computer science preferred but not mandatory.
- **JavaScript Knowledge:** Helpful but not essential due to Glide scripting similarities.

2. Certification

- **Certified System Administrator (CSA):** Foundational certification demonstrating proficiency in ServiceNow.
- **Certification Vouchers:** Available through free or instructor-led courses.

3. Navigating the ServiceNow Platform

- ➤ Getting the Certification Voucher
- **Training Portal:** Log in to learning.servicenow.com and complete the "ServiceNow Fundamentals" course.
- **Voucher Options:** Obtain through free courses or instructor-led training.

4. ServiceNow User Interface Overview

- UI Versions: Transition from UI15 to UI16.
- Interface Layout:

Banner Frame: Top section with logo and instance name.

Content Frame: Displays application content.

Application Navigator: Left side for navigating and searching applications.

5. Version Releases

• Release Cycle: New version every six months, named after cities (e.g., "San Diego," "Tokyo").

• Quarterly Patches: Regular updates to enhance performance.

6. Customization

• Instance Customization: Includes adding custom logos and favoriting applications.

Understanding ServiceNow Modules

1. Customizing UI

• **Elements:** Customization of calendars and buttons.

2. Core Modules

- ITSM: Includes Incident Management, Problem Management, Change Management.
- Additional Modules: Release Management, Request Management, Asset Management, Cost Management.

3. ServiceNow Development Instance

- **Filter Navigator:** Search through over 100 applications.
- **Customization:** Adjust instance logo and name.

Managing Incidents, Problems, and Changes

1. Incident Management

- **Ticketing:** Raise, assign, and resolve incidents.
- **Problem Escalation:** Recurrent issues become problems.

2. Problem Management

- Root Cause Analysis: Identify and fix underlying issues.
- **Resolution:** Apply permanent fixes to prevent recurrence.

3. Change Management

- Change Requests: Initiate and assess changes involving CAB meetings.
- Error Handling: Revert or amend changes if necessary.

Automation & Notifications

- Email Notifications: Update users on ticket status.
- Auto-Closure: Incidents can auto-close after a set period.

List View and Form View Functionalities

List View

- **Display:** Tabular format for reviewing multiple records.
- **Filtering:** Apply filters to display specific records.
- Controls: Grouping, adjusting rows, refreshing, creating favorites.

Form View

- **Detailed View:** Opens specific record for viewing or editing.
- Layouts: Header and body layout options.

Interaction Features

- Sorting and Searching: Sort records and use search functionality.
- **In-line Editing:** Edit records directly from the list view.

Introduction to ServiceNow Training Course

1. Course Structure

- Admin Training:
 - o **Duration:** Initial 12 days.
 - o Focus: Core ServiceNow administration tasks and concepts.
- Development Training:
 - o **Duration:** Following 14 days.
 - o Focus: Advanced ServiceNow development skills.
- Total Duration:
 - o Around 27 to 30 days, including extra sessions for doubts and Q&A.

2. Learning Approach

- Hands-On Training:
 - o Utilization of a ServiceNow instance for practical learning.
 - Interactive and experiential approach with no reliance on PowerPoint presentations.
- Assignments:
 - o Given from day two onward to reinforce learning.
- No Prior Coding Knowledge Required:
 - o Admin part of the course does not require previous coding experience.

3. Certifications and Projects

• Certification Exams:

- o Eligibility for ServiceNow certification exams upon course completion.
- o Free certification vouchers available until October 30th.

• Live Projects:

- o Two live projects integrated into the training.
- o Designed to provide practical, real-world experience.

4. Additional Features

• ServiceNow Overview:

- o Cloud-based platform like email services.
- Used for developing various applications with minimal coding.

• Custom Applications and Portals:

 Ability to create custom applications and service portals without extensive coding.

5. Interactive Elements

• Real-Time Demonstrations:

o Application development and demonstrations conducted in real-time.

• Support and Q&A:

 Opportunities to ask questions and receive support for job interviews and course content.

Detailed Presentation on ServiceNow

1. ServiceNow Overview

• Industry Usage:

- Widely used across various sectors including security, banking, and customer support.
- o Notable users: Netflix, American Express, Airbus.

• Platform Growth:

o Significant growth since 2004, with stock price rising from \$0.36 to around \$500.

2. Market Presence

• Major Organizations:

o Utilized by companies such as Citibank, Johnson & Johnson, and Accenture.

 Key modules: IT Service Management (ITSM), HRSD (Human Resource Service Delivery).

3. ServiceNow Architecture

Cloud-Based Environment:

- Operates in a cloud-based environment, no need for additional software installations.
- o Core modules include ITSM, HRSD, customer support, and security services.

4. Learning and Career Opportunities

• Career Paths:

- o Roles available: Testers, developers, business analysts, project managers.
- o Foundational knowledge in ITSM is essential for further modules.

• Training and Certification:

- o Coverage of fundamental aspects like catalog creation and incident management.
- Free voucher for the CSA (Certified System Administrator) exam available until October 30th.

5. Practical Use

Real-World Scenarios:

 Task automation and service management is similar to Amazon's catalog handling.

Exam Support and Course Details

1. Exam Support and Question Bank

• Preparation:

- Access to a question bank with practice questions like the real exam.
- o Study guides available with answers for reference.

• Exam Details:

- o Duration: 90 minutes.
- o Number of Questions: 60.
- Voucher Validity: One year from issuance, with an example of a voucher valid until September 2024 if obtained by September 2023.

2. Voucher and Course Access

• Voucher Validity:

- o Valid for one year; obtainable until October 30th.
- o Multiple vouchers can be used if needed.

• Voucher Purchase and Usage:

- o The option to create additional accounts for multiple vouchers.
- o Reimbursement available if employed with certain organizations.

3. Instance Management

• Hibernation:

- o Instances may go into hibernation if inactive for 12 hours or more.
- o Reactivation: Log in to developer.servicenow.com and click "wake up."

• Inactive Instance Consequences:

- o Data may be lost if inactive for over 13 days.
- o Steps to reclaim or request a new instance if necessary.

4. Troubleshooting and Support

• Instance Access Issues:

- o Follow steps to recover or wake up a hibernated instance.
- o Contact support if issues persist despite following the procedure.