

SPIGE WIRTUAL





Top 10 Active Directory Management Tasks with PowerShell

SPICEWORLD2020







Jeff Hicks
Author/Teacher/Mentor



SPICEWORLD2020
VIRTUAL





Active Directory Automation

Active Directory management is full of repetitive tasks

GUI based tools don't scale

PowerShell can be used interactively

PowerShell can be used as an automation engine

Automation means efficiency and consistency







- Windows PowerShell 5.1
- Remote Server Administration Tools
 - Active Directory Module
 - Add-WindowsCapability -name rsat.ActiveDirectory* -online
- Windows Server 2016 Domain Controller
- Everything is done from a Windows client desktop



PS C:\> Import-Module ActiveDirectory

PS C:\> Get-Module ActiveDirectory

ModuleType Version Name ExportedCommands

Manifest 1.0.1.0 ActiveDirectory {Add-ADCentralAccessPolicyMember, Add-ADComputerS...

PS C:\> Get-Command -Module ActiveDirectory | more

CommandType	Name	Version	Source
Cmdlet	Add-ADCentralAccessPolicyMember	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADComputerServiceAccount	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADDomainControllerPasswordReplicationPolicy	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADFineGrainedPasswordPolicySubject	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADGroupMember	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADPrincipalGroupMembership	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory
Cmdlet	Add-ADResourcePropertyListMember	1.0.1.0	ActiveDirectory

• • •





Common Tasks

- 1. Get FSMO Holders
- 2. Find Empty OUs
- 3. Create new users
- 4. Find inactive user accounts
- 5. Find inactive computer accounts







Common Tasks

- 6. Find Empty Groups
- 7. Enumerate Nested Group Membership
- 8. List User Group Memberships
- 9. Password Age Report
- 10. Domain Controller Health







To the console...







Resources

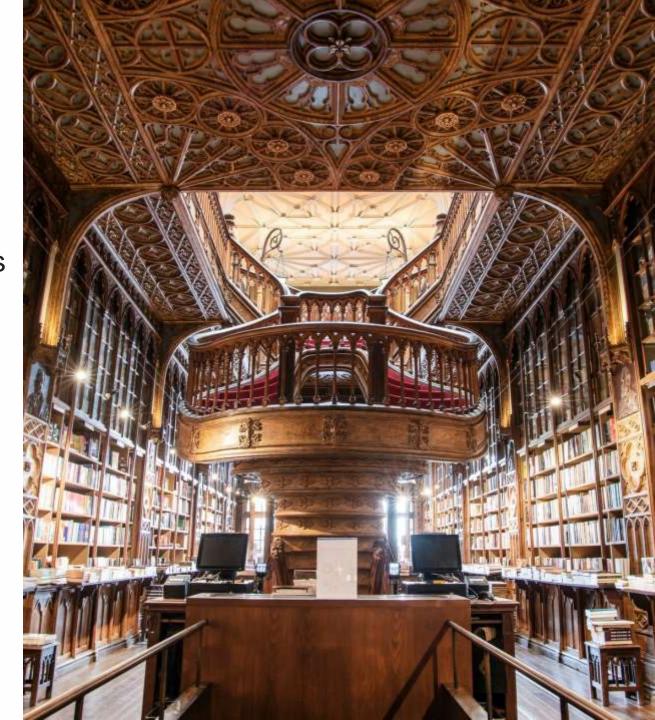
https://github.com/jdhitsolutions/ADTop10Tasks

https://jdhitsolutions.com

Pluralsight.com

https://leanpub.com/powershell-scripting-

toolmaking







Thank you.

@jeffhicks

SPICEWORLD2020

