# Module 0: Preparation Tasks

*Scenario*

Of course, when carrying out tasks for a cloud service you require access to that service. Mirosoft Azure Passes grant 30 days access to the Microsoft Azure Platform without the requirement to enter credit card details.

*Objectives*

After completing this lab, you will have:

- A new Microsoft Account.
- A Microsoft Azure Pass.

**Note:** If you already have an Azure Pass from a previous module or course that is still current and has credit available then you should use this rather than carry out these tasks.

Lab: Redeeming an Azure Pass

**Task 1: Sign up for a New Microsoft Account**

**Note:** Microsoft Accounts (hotmail.com / outlook.com) can only have 1 Azure Pass assigned to them every 12 months. If you already have a Microsoft Account that is not associated with any other subscriptions (ie Work or School) then you can skip this task and proceed to task 2. If not then complete the steps. You MUST remember these credentials therefore it is recommended you note them down somewhere as go deploy is unable to redeem students login details for Azure or Microsoft Accounts. You may need a cell/mobile phone to verify you area human being and not a bot attempting to create 100's of accounts.

Students must follow these instructions carefully as replacement Azure Pass codes cannot be issued. Should a problem occur with the Azure Pass then it is recommended that the student signs up for a Free Azure Trial Account but will require a Credit/Debit card for confirmation (the student will NOT be charged for the trial).

**Instructors Only:** Only students are allocated Azure Passes when courseware is purchased. MCT's should apply for their own Azure Pass using the following website: https://vouchers.cloudapp.net/AzurePass/

1. Ensure that you are signed in to **LON-CL1** as **Admin** with the password **Pa55w.rd**.
2. Close the Networks Dialogue Box by clicking **No**.
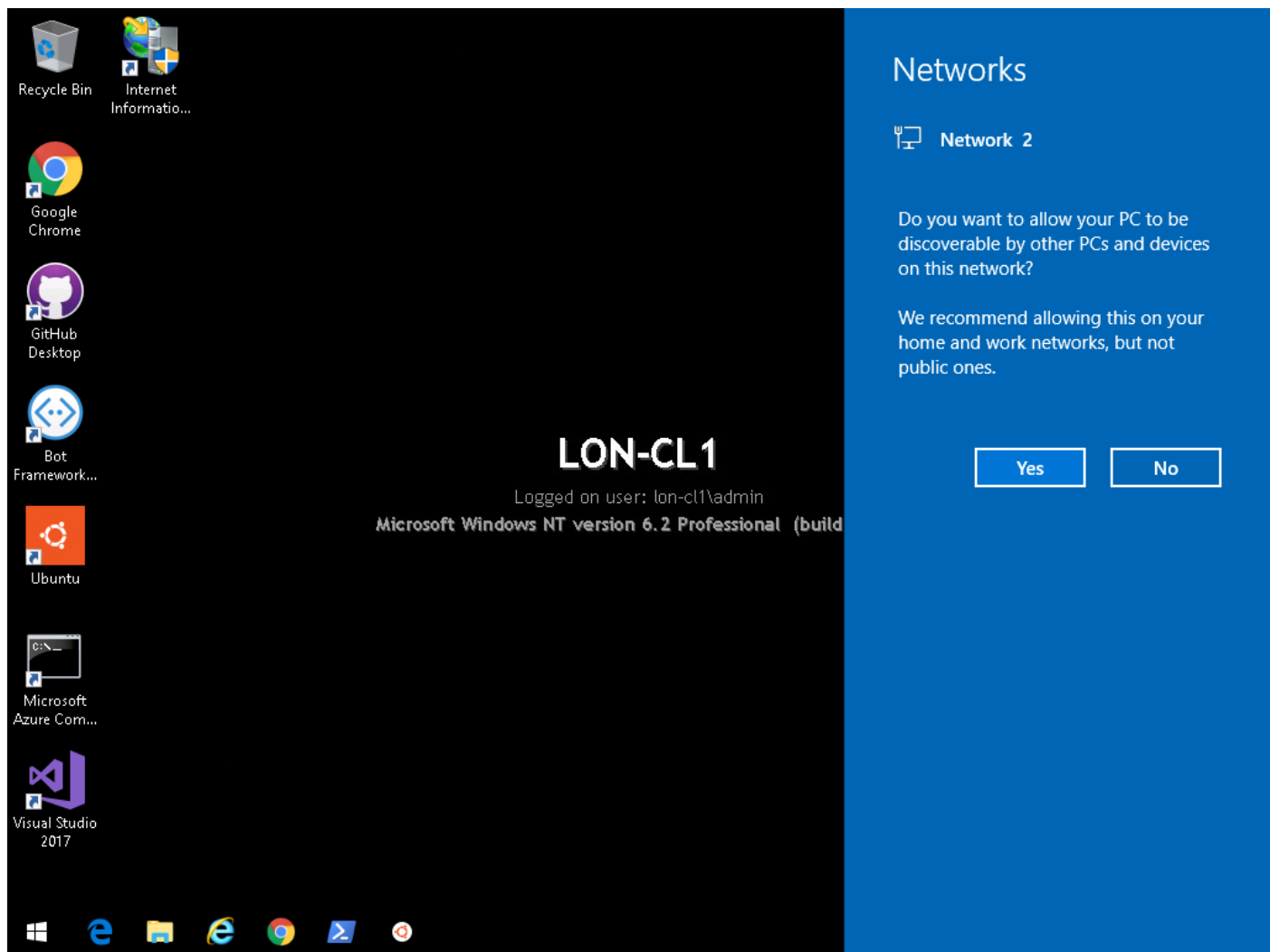
3. Open your browser of choice (Installed on the Virtual Machine is Chrome, Internet Explorer and Microsoft Edge).
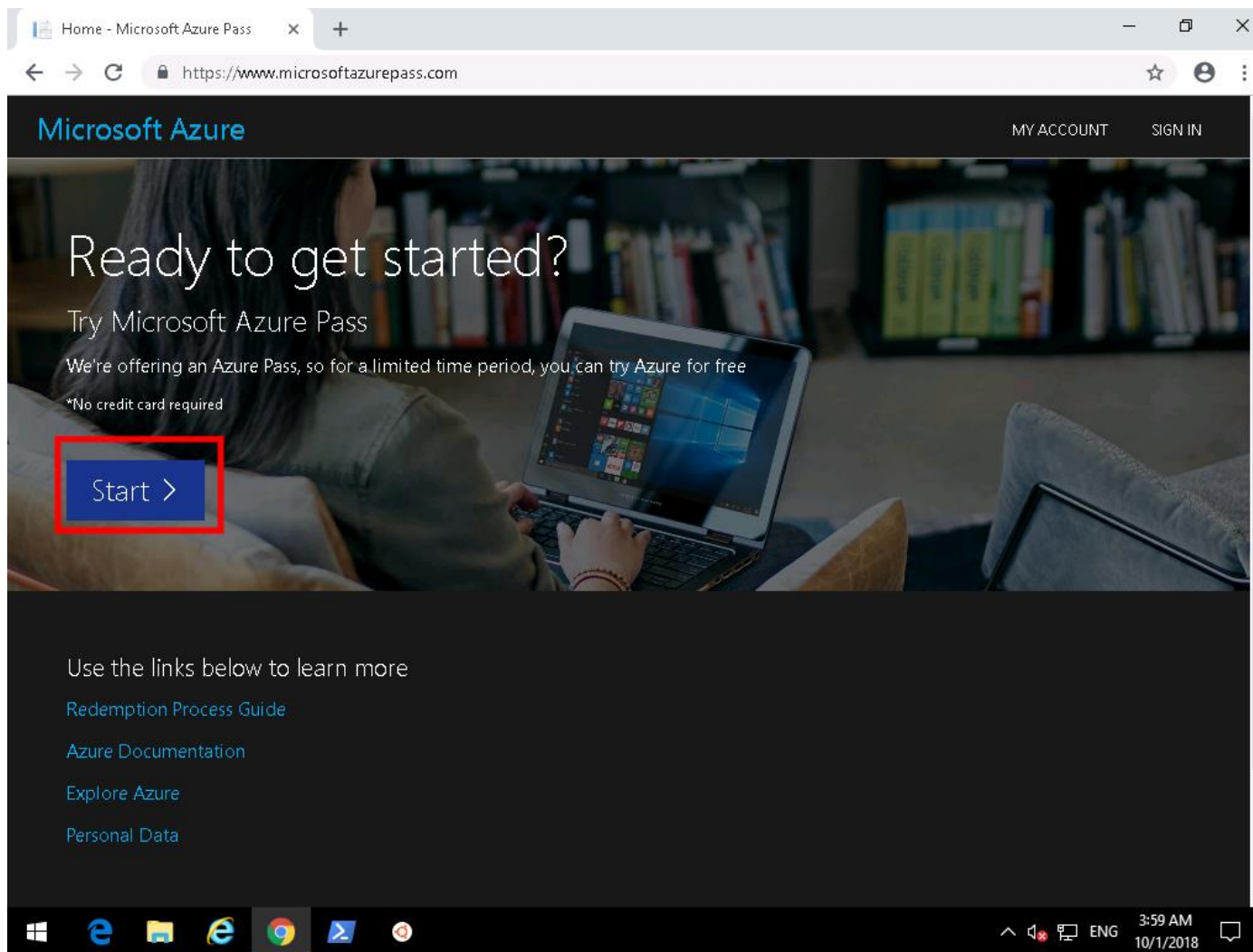4. Navigate to www.outlook.com and click **Create free account**
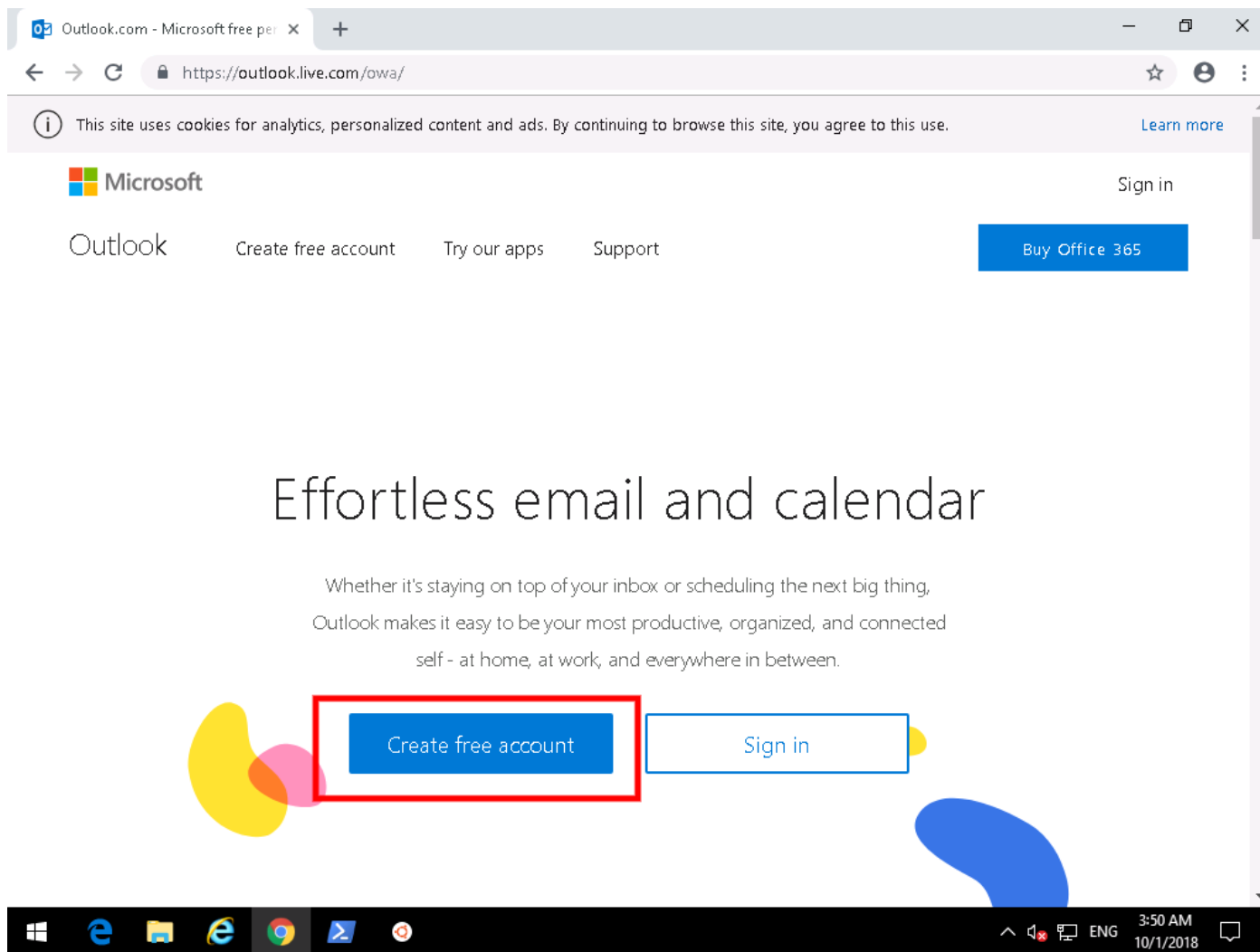
5. Complete the sign up process to create a new outlook account.

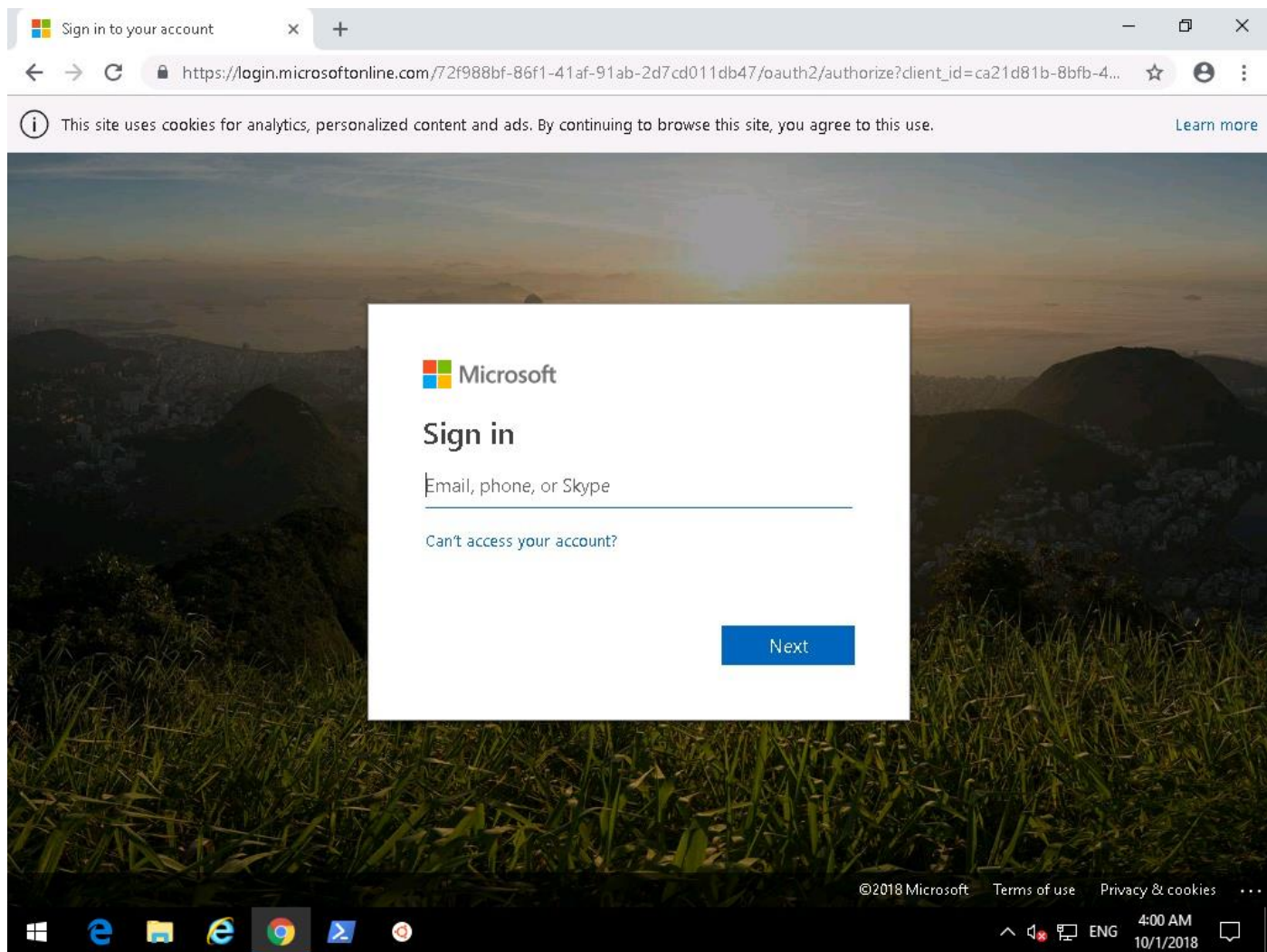**Task 2: Sign up for the Azure Pass trial subscription**

1. Inside the Virtual Machine, Open a new tab on the browser and navigate to **www.microsoftazurepass.com**
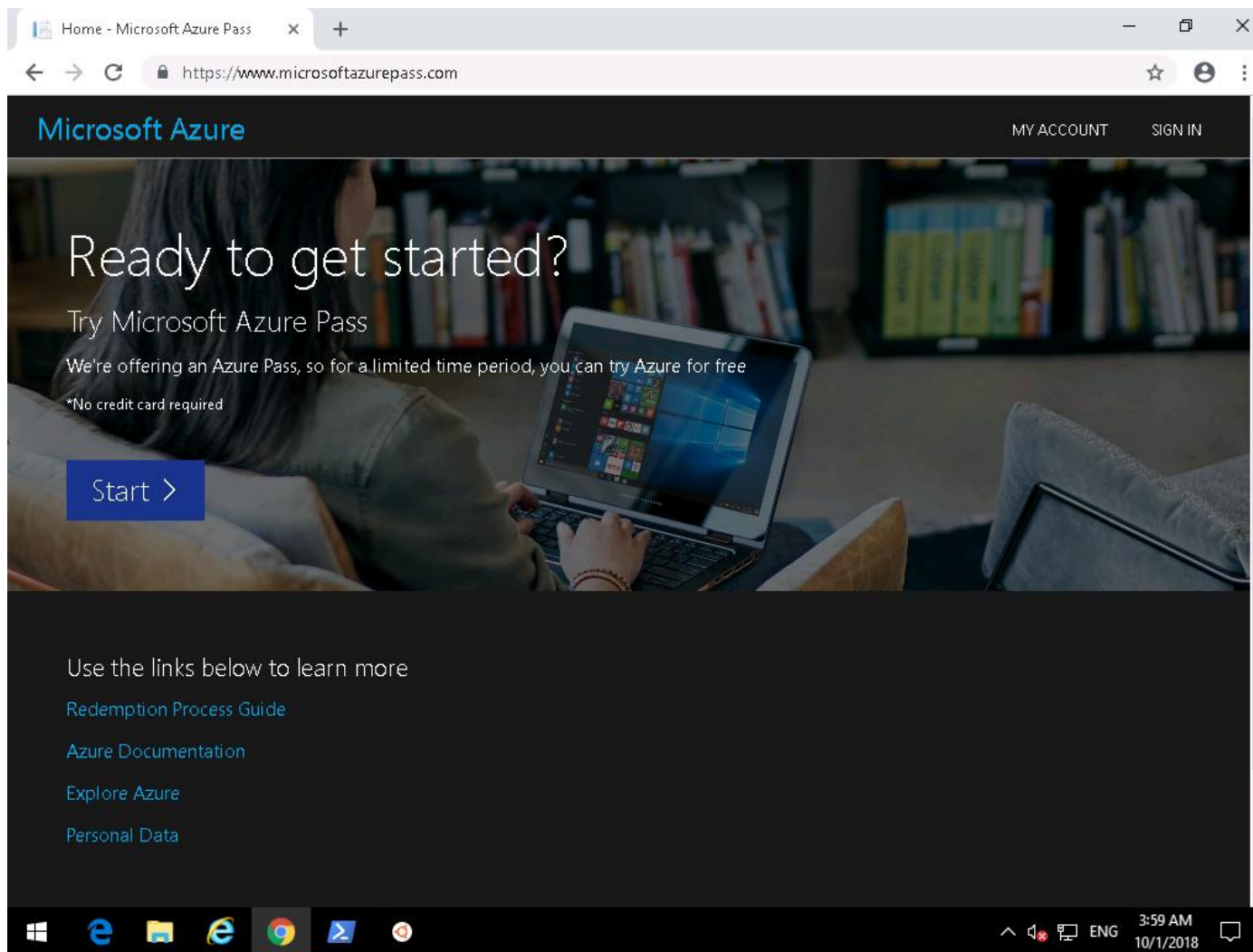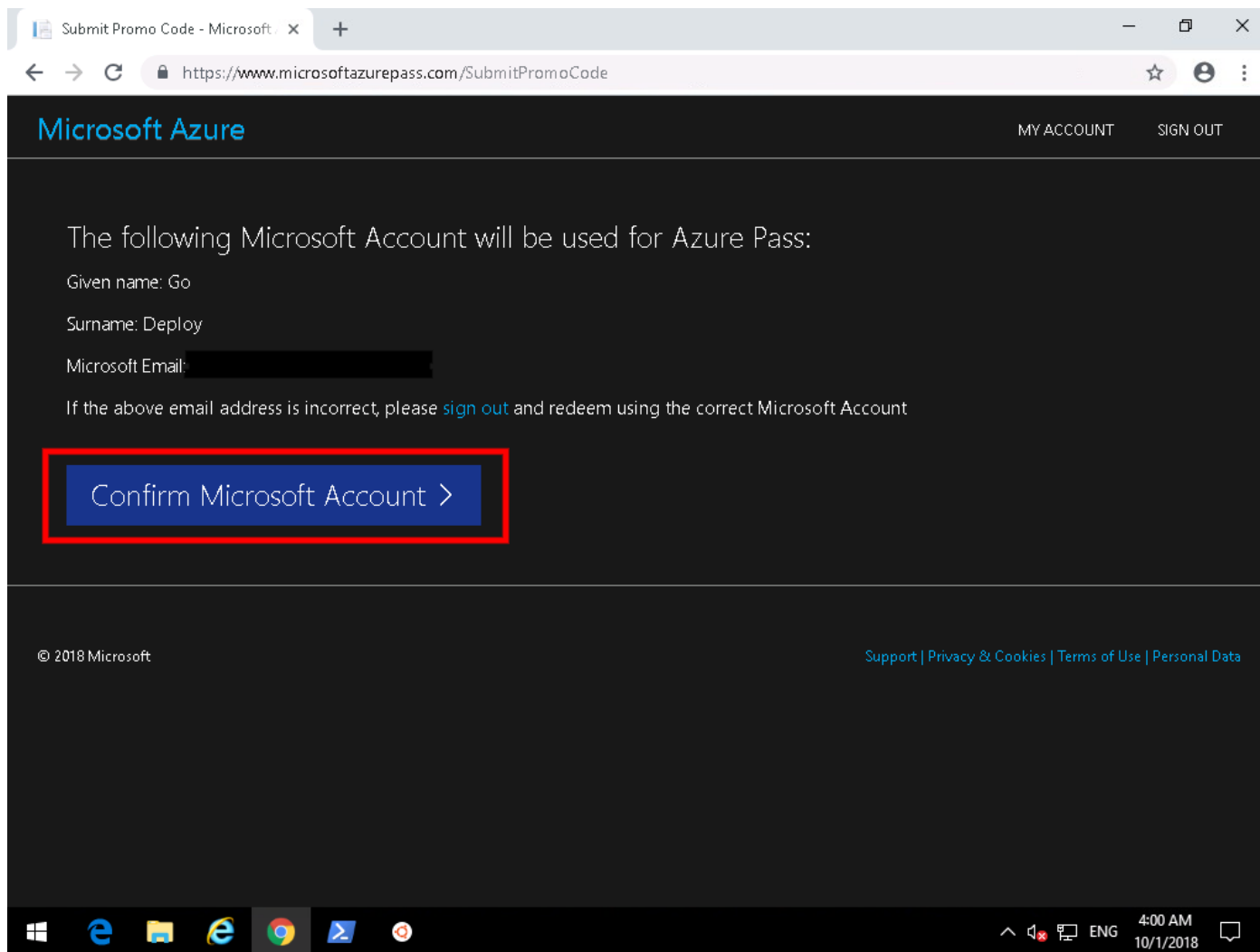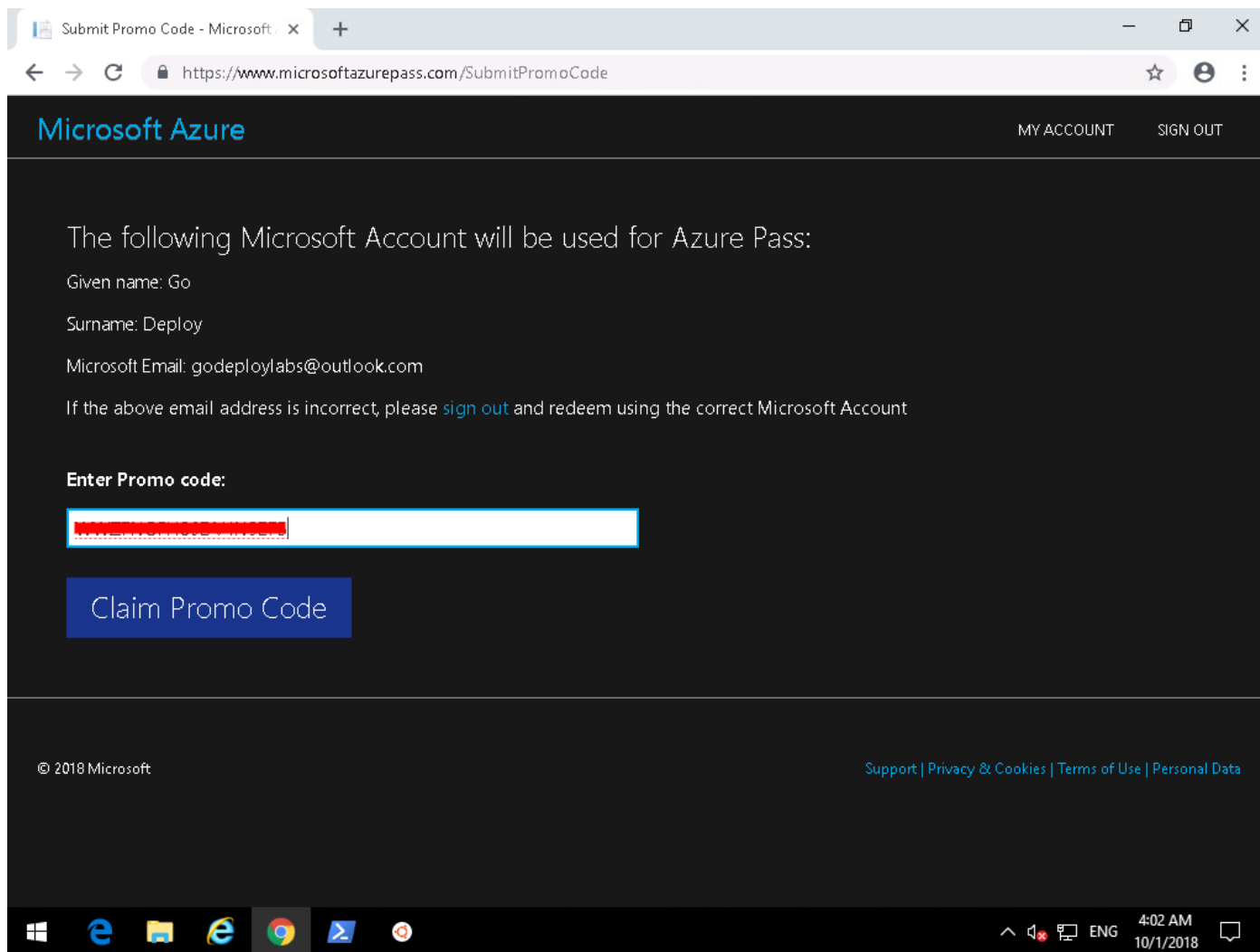
2.  Click Start

3. If prompted, enter your credentials that you just signed up for in Task 1.

4. Click Confirm Microsoft Account

5. Enter your Promo Code you have been allocated by your Instructor / Training Center then click **Claim Promo Code**

6. You may receieve a message saying **Processing**. This can take upto 5 minutes.
7. Once redeemed click **Activate**.
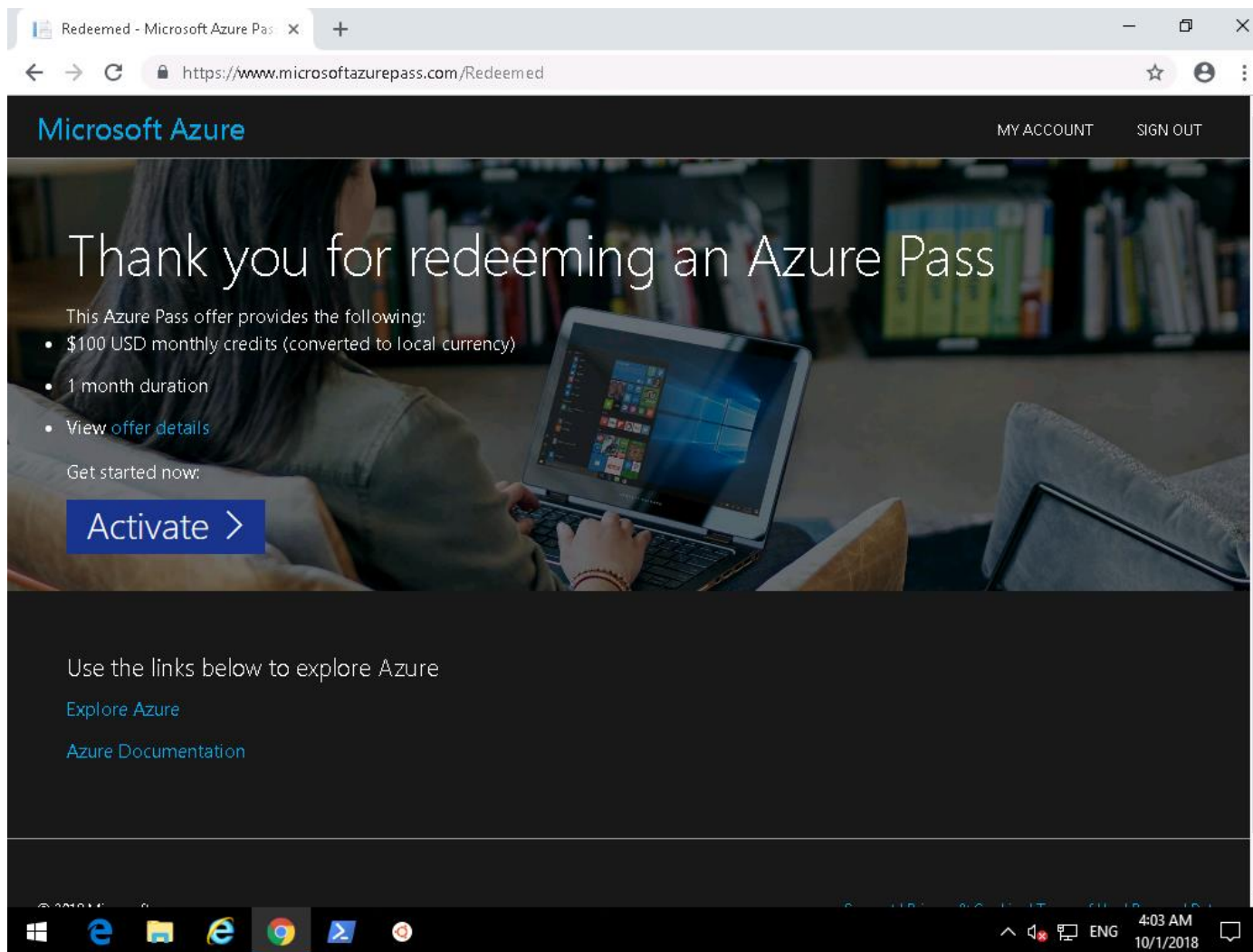
8. Enter your details in the **1. About you** section then click **Next**.

   **Note:** You do not need to enter a VatID, although the other details will be used to redeem your password or for troubleshooting.

9. In the **2. Agreement** section select the **I Agree** checkbox and if you wish seleect the **I would like information….** checkbox then click **Sign up**

10. After a few minutes you should have an Azure Pass ready to complete your course and the Azure Dashboard will be displayed.
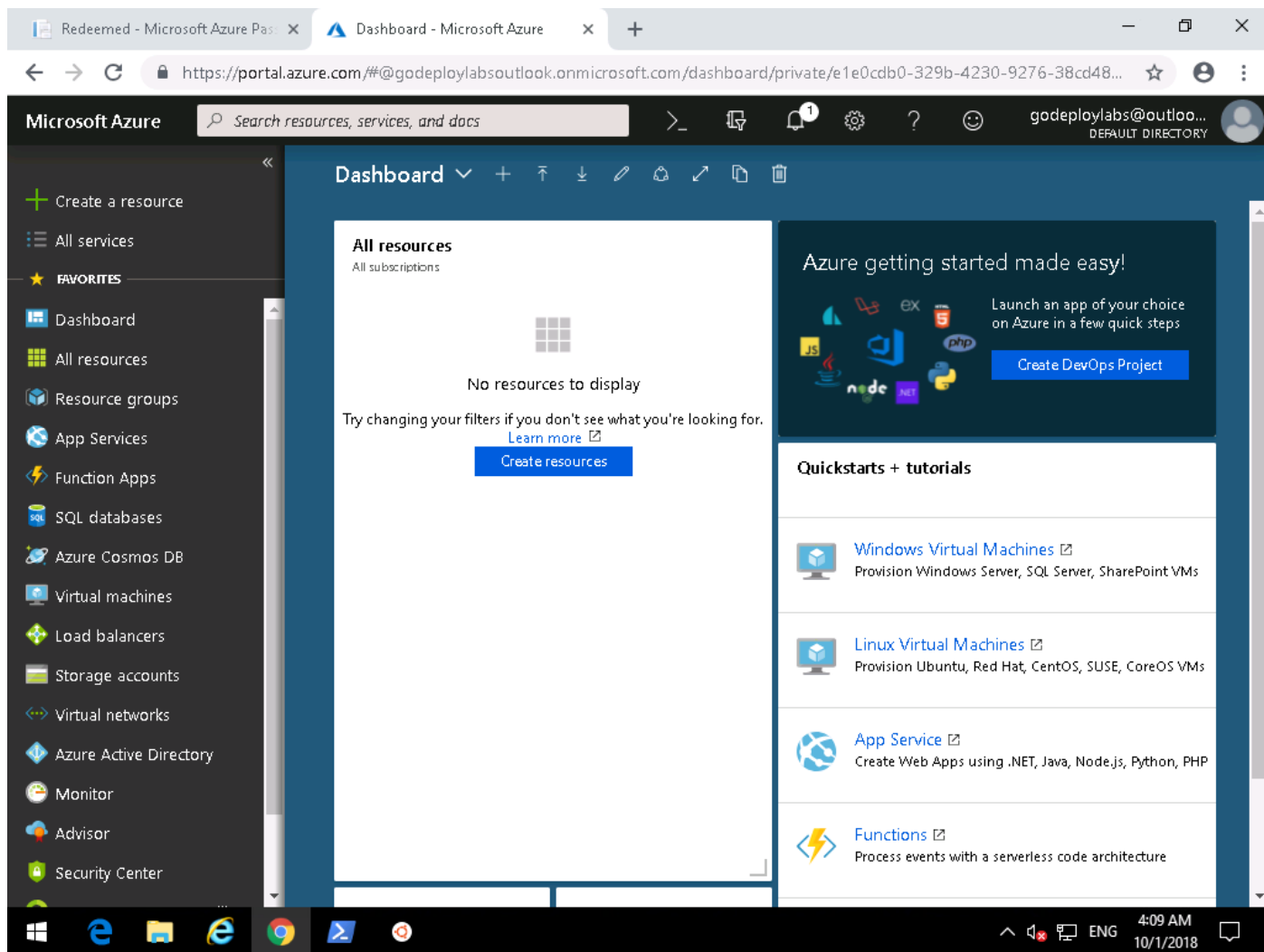
**Note:** Ensure you have noted your credentials for your Microsoft Account!

**Results** : After completing this exercise, you should have created a new Microsoft Account and redeemed an Azure Pass.

You can now end the lab ready to coninue with your next module.