Quiz #1

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1. List two major reasons to moving to cloud computing

Major reasons to moving cloud computing is its disaster recovery mechanism, cost saving and flexibility. Cloud allows to work from anywhere. And it cuts downs the cost of hardware. Cloud computing also providers the scalability.

1. List two major differences between SaaS and web applications

Web application is just a software application that work over the browser whereas Saas is more specific concept for software licensing and delivery.

SaaS is a web application or a bunch of web applications grouped together with a pricing model that charges for the services you use on a monthly or annual basis. Saas provides functionality using HTTP verbs using REST / SOAP methodology, but they don't provide any visual interface, just input and output of data.  
On the other hand, a web application has a visual user interface. And it might have data input output functionality or it can interact with any SaaS for the same.

3. List two major differences between SaaS and PaaS

Paas provides the computing platforms including database, web server, operating system etc while Saas provides the access to application services installed at server and deals with application like emnail, social networking sites etc.

Paas is on top of Iaas while Saas is a complete package of services.

For Paas the basic setup knowledge is required while for Saas the provider company handles everything.