

Link:

https://aws.amazon.com/big-data/datalakes-and-analytics/

- This link is useful as a reference to which AWS services to implement for my architecture diagram.

Steps:

- 1. Locate source data (GDELT Project HTML document).
- 2. Write Python script to extract and load data into AWS S3.
- 3. Inside AWS S3, we will use Spark (PySpark or Amazon EMR) to read the files via cloud path and run an ETL pipeline to store data into AWS Redshift as a Data Warehouse solution.
- 4. Via AWS Redshift or AWS Athena, we can try to query the data and explore it into an AWS Analytics solution such as Amazon Quicksight to generate a dashboard and visualize the data or Amazon SageMaker to build a predictive model (see link: https://aws.amazon.com/sagemaker/). I will only include these services in the architecture diagram to visualize the possible use cases of dealing with the data.
- 5. I need to monitor my activity through a service like Amazon CloudWatch and then build a dashboard. --> I won't include it inside the data pipeline architecture diagram, but will still use it for later step. --> Link: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonCloudWatch/latest/monitoring/CloudWatch Dashboards.html

Next:

- Go over architecture diagram attempt with mentor.
- Compare Redshift vs. Athena based on factors such as portability and cost, performance and scale. --> See Link: https://blog.panoply.io/an-amazonian-battle-comparing-athena-and-redshift
- Also, I must think about whether PySpark or AWS EMR (Apache Spark cluster) should be used.