

Study Plan

Follow this guideline to successfully prepare for your AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate exam in 50 days.

For best results, allocate ~60min each day (plus a little extra on weekends) to cover all 18 sections + 6 practice exams + final exam simulator from Digital Cloud Training.

Section number		
(1) Introduction – 15min (2) Getting Started – 65 min	○	Day 1 Monday
Lecture name (3) Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) – 135min	○	Day 2 Tuesday
(3) Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) – continued	○	Day 3 Wednesday
(3) Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) – continued	○	Day 4 Thursday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing and Auto Scaling – 169min	○	Day 5 Friday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing and Auto Scaling – continued	○	Day 6 Saturday
Practice Exam (1) – 130min	○	Day 7 Sunday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing and Auto Scaling – continued	○	Day 8 Monday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing and Auto Scaling – continued	○	Day 9 Tuesday
(5) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – 120min	○	Day 10 Wednesday

Time Management

The minutes shown correspond to the duration of each video lesson.

Multiple days of study have been allocated to complete longer sections.

The schedule also accounts for extra time to do the hands-on labs.

To gain more practical experience with AWS services, we encourage you to explore our guided hands-on exercises.

(5) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – continued



Day 11
Thursday

(5) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – continued



Day 12
Friday

(6) Amazon Route 53 – 98min



Day 13
Saturday

Practice Exam (2) – 130min



Day 14
Sunday

(6) Amazon Route 53 – continued



Day 15
Monday

(7) Amazon S3 and CloudFront – 190min



Day 16
Tuesday

(7) Amazon S3 and CloudFront – continued



Day 17
Wednesday

(7) Amazon S3 and CloudFront – continued



Day 18
Thursday

(7) Amazon S3 and CloudFront – continued



Day 19
Friday

(7) Amazon S3 and CloudFront – continued



Day 20
Saturday

Practice Exams

To help you prepare for your exam, we encourage you to take the practice exams according to this schedule:

Practice Test 1 – Day 7

Practice Test 2 – Day 14

Practice Test 3 – Day 21

Practice Test 4 – Day 28

Practice Test 5 – Day 35

Practice Test 6 – Day 42

Final Exam Simulator – Day 48

Don't feel discouraged if you get a low score in the beginning – you'll see improvements in no time.

Practice Exam (3) – 130min	○	Day 21 Sunday
(8) Amazon Block and File Storage – 107min	○	Day 22 Monday
(8) Amazon Block and File Storage – continued	○	Day 23 Tuesday
(8) Amazon Block and File Storage – continued	○	Day 24 Wednesday
(9) Containers – 78min	○	Day 25 Thursday
(9) Containers – continued	○	Day 26 Friday
(10) Serverless – 78min	○	Day 27 Saturday
Practice Exam (4) – 130min	○	Day 28 Sunday
(10) Serverless – continued	○	Day 29 Monday
(11) Databases – 178min	○	Day 30 Tuesday

Training Notes

Don't forget to take advantage of the popular Training Notes [Collection of Cheat Sheets] from Digital Cloud Training that are available [online](#) or for [download](#) (PDF).

These in-depth cheat sheets summarize the most important facts from the AWS documentation. Get straight to the facts with exam-specific information you need to know to successfully pass your exam.

(11) Databases – continued	○	Day 31 Wednesday
(11) Databases – continued	○	Day 32 Thursday
(11) Databases – continued	○	Day 33 Friday
(12) Analytics – 60min	○	Day 34 Saturday
Practice Exam (5) – 130min	○	Day 35 Sunday
(12) Analytics – continued	○	Day 36 Monday
(13) Application Integration – 64min	○	Day 37 Tuesday
(13) Application Integration – continued	○	Day 38 Wednesday
(14) Automation and Platform Services – 76min	○	Day 39 Thursday
(14) Automation and Platform Services – continued	○	Day 40 Friday

Final Revision

To assess your exam readiness, take the final exam simulator from Digital Cloud Training. Once you consistently score 80% or higher, you're ready to sit the exam.

Use the score report to identify knowledge areas that need revision.

Use the [training notes](#) and exam cram lectures to quickly get to the facts.

Feel free to tag [Neal](#) / Digital Cloud Training on your favorite social media channel so we get to celebrate your exam success.

(15) Monitoring, Logging and Auditing – 65min

Practice Exam (6)

(15) Monitoring, Logging and Auditing – continued

(16) Security, Identity and Compliance – 103min

(16) Security, Identity and Compliance – continued

(17) Advanced IAM – 26min

(18) Migration and Transfer Services – 30min

FINAL REVISION:

- Final Exam Simulator
- Revisit exam cram lectures
- Review practice exam errors
- Review training notes

Day 41
Saturday

Day 42
Sunday

Day 43
Monday

Day 44
Tuesday

Day 45
Wednesday

Day 46
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Day 47
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Day 48
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Day 49
Sunday

Day 50
Monday