

Hello everyone!!

First thank you for being here and wanting to join us for this challenge. We are just as excited as you are!!

What's included:

- YouTube step by step tutorial videos:
 - Alicia's YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXtHd064JyRNIPj3fUpQnSA>
 - Ifeanyi's YouTube Channel: <http://www.youtube.com/@REXTECH9>
 - George's Youtube Channel: <https://youtube.com/@dopeasaservice?si=IUXo3lSHqwFK65m>
 - Shae's YouTub Channel: <https://youtube.com/@shaeinthecloud?si=ISSQgwFLjnfIRQn7>
- GitHub repos with instructional ReadMe's
- Architectural Diagrams
- Discord Community

Here's how to get ready:

- Join the Discord community (you're already here so yay step one done!) ✓
- Meet your fellow learners (say hey in the intro channel!) 🥳
- Start preparing your environment (getting an AWS account started) ☁️
- AWS VOUCHERS!! (4 confirmed...maybe more 🙏💰)
- A portfolio of your projects that will help with technical interviews and conversations! 📁

Here are some FREE resources to start going through to get you ready and what softwares you should brush up on:

- Linux: <https://lnkd.in/e7S9HEMb>
- Git/GitHub: <https://lnkd.in/e2RGC-Ea>
- Python: <https://lnkd.in/exhpGyxp>
- AWS Cloud Fundamentals: <https://lnkd.in/eaxVq67a>
- Infrastructure as Code: <https://lnkd.in/e8fQsVCg>
- Containers (Docker): <https://lnkd.in/e3UazpUT>
- CI/CD: <https://lnkd.in/eQUdaeft>

Schedule:

- Week 1 📅 Jan 6th - 10th: At 9am CST one video from the crew will be dropping each day.
- Week 2 📅 Jan 13th - 17th: Project work by YOU as the individual. This way you have a whole week to perfect each project before submission.
- Week 3 📅 Jan 20th - 24th: At 9am CST one video from the crew will be dropping each day.
- Week 4 📅 Jan 27th - Jan 31st: Project work by YOU as the individual. This way you have a whole week to perfect each project before submission.
- Week 5 📅 Feb 3rd - 7th: At 9am CST one video from the crew will be dropping each day.

Week 6 🖥️ Feb 10th - Feb 14th: Project work by YOU as the individual. This way you have a whole week to perfect each project before submission.

Week 7 🖥️ Feb 17th - 21st: At 9am CST one video from the crew will be dropping each day.

Week 8 🖥️ Feb 24th - Feb 28th: Project work by YOU as the individual. This way you have a whole week to perfect each project before submission.

When will winners be announced?

Winners will be announced March 7th. A week after the project concludes. 🎉

What if I get stuck?

Easy! Here are a few options:

-On the day a video is dropped the creator of that video will be monitoring the chat in the #questions thread in the CozyCloudCrew discord. Which means you can get personalized question help for each video on the day it is dropped/ sporadically there after as well!

-Ask a fellow Cloudie! In our #general chat feel free to ask other people what they did to solve a problem.

-Google, ChatGPT, and Gemini are great for when you get stuck and need some guidance!

Whether you're starting your cloud journey or trying to advance your DevOps skills, we've designed this challenge for YOU.