AWS INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. Name 5 AWS services you have used and what's the use cases?
- 2. What is the difference between EC2 and S3?
- 3. Explain the difference between On-Demand, Reserved, and Spot instances in EC2. When would you choose one over the others?
- 4. What is an Amazon Machine Image (AMI)? How do you create a custom AMI, and what are the benefits of using custom AMIs?
- 5. How does EC2 Auto Scaling work, and what are the key components involved? Explain how you can use Auto Scaling to maintain application availability and optimize resource usage.
- 6. What is an EC2 instance profile, and how is it used for granting permissions to EC2 instances?
- 7. What is an EC2 instance metadata service? How can you leverage it within your EC2 instances?
- 8. What is an EC2 instance user data, and how can you use it to automate instance configurations during launch?
- How does Elastic Network Interface (ENI) work in EC2? Discuss its role in network connectivity and the benefits it offers.
- Explain the concept of EC2 instance types and the factors you consider when choosing the appropriate instance type for your workload.
- 11. What is Amazon S3, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 12. Explain the difference between S3 Standard, S3 Intelligent-Tiering, S3 Standard-IA, and S3 One Zone-IA storage classes in terms of durability, availability, and cost.
- 13. How can you control access to S3 buckets and objects? Describe the various options available for managing S3 bucket policies, IAM policies, and access control lists (ACLs).
- 14. What is the difference between S3 object-level and bucket-level logging? How can you enable logging for an S3 bucket?
- 15. Explain the concept of S3 versioning and its use cases. How can you enable and manage versioning for S3 buckets?
- 16. What is S3 lifecycle management? Describe how you can use lifecycle policies to automate the transition and expiration of objects in S3.
- 17. How can you secure your S3 data at rest and in transit? Discuss the options available for encrypting S3 objects and configuring SSL/TLS for data transfer.
- 18. Explain the concept of S3 Cross-Region Replication (CRR) and how it can be used for data replication and disaster recovery.
- 19. How can you optimize S3 performance and reduce costs? Discuss techniques such as multipart uploads, S3 transfer acceleration, and S3 Select.
- 20. What are S3 event notifications, and how can you use them to trigger actions or workflows when objects are uploaded, modified, or deleted in an S3 bucket?
- 21. What is the AWS CLI, and why would you use it?
- 22. How do you install and configure the AWS CLI on your local machine?
- 23. What are the different authentication methods supported by the AWS CLI? Explain how you can configure access keys, roles, and profiles.

- 24. How do you interact with AWS services using the AWS CLI? Provide examples of CLI commands to perform common tasks, such as creating an EC2 instance or uploading a file to S3.
- 25. How can you automate AWS CLI commands and scripts? Discuss the options available for scripting and automation using the AWS CLI.
- 26. What is the difference between the AWS CLI and the AWS SDKs? When would you choose one over the other?
- 27. What is the purpose of VPC (Virtual Private Cloud) in AWS?
- 28. How does Auto Scaling work in AWS?
- 29. Explain the difference between an AMI and an EBS snapshot.
- 30. What is AWS Lambda and how does it work?
- 31. Describe the various storage classes available in Amazon S3.
- 32. What is Amazon VPC, and why is it used?
- 33. What are the components of a VPC?
- 34. What is the difference between a public subnet and a private subnet in a VPC?
- 35. How does network ACL differ from security groups in a VPC?
- 36. Can you connect multiple VPCs together? If yes, how?
- 37. How can you secure communication between your VPC and on-premises infrastructure?
- 38. How does VPC peering work, and what are its limitations?
- 39. Explain the concept of an Internet Gateway (IGW) and its role in a VPC.
- 40. What is a NAT Gateway, and why would you use it in a VPC?
- 41. Can you change the IP range of an existing VPC?
- 42. Can you establish a VPC peering connection between VPCs in different AWS accounts and different regions?
- 43. How can you achieve high availability and fault tolerance in a VPC? Explain the concept of VPC Elastic IP addresses and their role in achieving this.
- 44. What are the considerations for connecting on-premises networks to VPCs in AWS? Describe the options available for establishing secure connectivity.
- 45. How can you control traffic between VPCs using security groups and network ACLs? What are the differences between the two and when should each be used?
- 46. Can you do VPC peering in different AWS regions?
- 47. Can you do VPC peering in same AWS region from different AWS accounts?
- 48. How can you achieve connectivity between VPCs in different AWS regions?
- 49. Explain the concept of VPC endpoints and their benefits. Provide examples of services that can be accessed privately via VPC endpoints.
- 50. What is VPC flow logs, and how can they be used for network monitoring and troubleshooting in AWS?
- 51. What are the tools used to send logs to the cloud environment?
- 52. What are AWS IAM, and what are its key components?
- 53. What are IAM Roles? How do you create /manage them?
- 54. What is the difference between IAM users and IAM roles?
- 55. How can you grant permissions to an IAM user or role in AWS?
- 56. What are IAM policies, and how do they work?
- 57. How can you enforce multi-factor authentication (MFA) for IAM users?

- 58. What is IAM federation, and how does it enable single sign-on (SSO) for AWS accounts?
- 59. How can you delegate access to AWS resources using IAM cross-account access?
- Explain the concept of IAM groups and how they simplify permission management.
- 61. How can you audit and monitor IAM activities using AWS CloudTrail and IAM access analyser?
- 62. What are IAM conditions and how are they used in IAM policies? Provide examples of scenarios where conditions can be helpful.
- 63. Explain the concept of IAM roles for EC2 instances. How do they enhance security and simplify access management?
- 64. How can you integrate IAM with AWS services such as Amazon S3, Amazon DynamoDB, or AWS Lambda? Describe the different IAM mechanisms available for these services.
- 65. What is IAM access key rotation, and why is it important? Discuss the best practices for managing access keys and rotating them regularly.
- 66. How can you implement fine-grained access control using IAM? Describe the use of IAM policy variables and IAM policy conditions to achieve granular permissions.
- 67. What is AWS Organizations, and how does it enable centralized management of IAM across multiple AWS accounts?
- 68. How can you automate IAM user provisioning and deprovisioning using AWS services such as AWS Lambda and AWS CloudFormation?
- 69. How to upgrade or downgrade a system with zero downtime?
- 70. What is infrastructure as code and how do you use it?
- 71. What is a load balancer? Give scenarios of each kind of balancer based on your experience.
- 72. What is CloudFormation and why is it used for?
- 73. Difference between AWS CloudFormation and AWS Elastic Beanstalk?
- 74. What are the kinds of security attacks that can occur on the cloud? And how can we minimize them?
- 75. Can we recover the EC2 instance when we have lost the key?
- 76. What is a gateway?
- 77. What is the difference between the Amazon RDS, DynamoDB, and Redshift?
- 78. Do you prefer to host a website on S3? What's the reason if your answer is either yes, or no?
- 79. How does Amazon CloudFront work as a content delivery network (CDN)?
- 80. What is Amazon RDS, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 81. What are the different database engines supported by Amazon RDS? Explain the differences between Amazon RDS for MySQL, PostgreSQL, Oracle, and SQL Server.
- 82. How does RDS handle database backups and point-in-time recovery? Explain the options available for automated backups and database snapshots.
- 83. How can you scale an RDS instance? Discuss the options available for scaling compute and storage resources in RDS.
- 84. What is Amazon CloudWatch, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 85. How can you monitor AWS resources using CloudWatch? Discuss the different types of CloudWatch metrics and how you can collect and analyse them.

- 86. Explain the concept of CloudWatch Alarms and how you can use them to set thresholds and trigger actions based on metric conditions.
- 87. Discuss the integration of CloudWatch with other AWS services, such as Amazon S3, AWS Lambda, and Amazon RDS, and how it enhances monitoring and automation capabilities.
- 88. What is Amazon SNS, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 89. How does SNS enable pub/sub messaging? Explain the concepts of topics, subscriptions, and messages in SNS.
- 90. What are the different protocols supported by SNS for message delivery? Discuss the options available for sending messages via HTTP/S, email, SMS, and mobile push notifications.
- 91. How can you configure SNS message filtering to selectively deliver messages to different subscribers based on message attributes?
- 92. What is Amazon ECS, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 93. Explain the architecture of Amazon ECS and its components, such as clusters, tasks, services, and containers.
- 94. How do you define and manage containers in Amazon ECS? Discuss the options available for task definitions and container definitions.
- 95. What is the difference between Amazon ECS Fargate and Amazon EC2 launch types? When would you choose one over the other?
- 96. How does Amazon ECS handle scaling and load balancing? Discuss the options available for scaling tasks and distributing traffic to containers.
- 97. How can you integrate Amazon ECS with other AWS services, such as Amazon S3, Amazon RDS, and AWS Lambda?
- 98. What is Amazon EKS, and what are its key features and benefits?
- 99. Explain the concept of Kubernetes and how it relates to Amazon EKS.
- 100. How do you create and manage Kubernetes clusters in Amazon EKS? Discuss the options available for cluster provisioning and management.
- 101. What is the difference between worker nodes and control plane nodes in Amazon EKS? Explain their roles and responsibilities.
- 102. How does Amazon EKS handle scaling and high availability for Kubernetes clusters? Discuss the options available for scaling and distributing workloads.
- 103. What is the Kubernetes API server, and how does it interact with Amazon EKS? Explain the authentication and authorization mechanisms.
- 104. How can you manage containerized applications in Amazon EKS? Discuss the options available for deploying, updating, and scaling applications.
- 105. What is the role of Kubernetes namespaces in Amazon EKS? How can you use them to organize and isolate workloads?
- 106. Explain the concept of Kubernetes pod networking in Amazon EKS. Discuss the options available for networking and communication between pods.
- 107. How can you monitor and troubleshoot Kubernetes clusters in Amazon EKS? Discuss the options available for logging, monitoring, and debugging.
- 108. You are working on a project that uses AWS CodePipeline to deploy code to production. The pipeline is failing because of a permissions error. What steps would you take to troubleshoot the issue?

- 109. You are responsible for managing the AWS infrastructure for a large company. You need to scale the infrastructure to meet the increasing demand for a new product. What steps would you take to scale the infrastructure?
- 110. You are working on a project that uses AWS Lambda to process large amounts of data. The Lambda functions are not performing as expected. What steps would you take to troubleshoot the issue?
- 111. You are responsible for monitoring the AWS infrastructure for a company. You notice that there is a sudden increase in the number of errors being logged. What steps would you take to investigate the issue?
- 112. You are working on a project that uses AWS S3 to store data. You need to create a backup of the data in case of a disaster. What steps would you take to create the backup?
- 113. You are responsible for managing the AWS security for a company. You need to implement a new security policy. What steps would you take to implement the policy?
- 114. You are working on a project that uses AWS Elastic Beanstalk to deploy applications. The applications are not starting up as expected. What steps would you take to troubleshoot the issue?
- 115. You are responsible for managing the AWS costs for a company. You need to reduce the AWS costs without impacting the performance of the applications. What steps would you take to reduce the costs?
- 116. You are working on a project that uses AWS CloudFormation to create and manage AWS resources. You need to update the CloudFormation template to add a new resource. What steps would you take to update the template?
- 117. You are responsible for managing the AWS logs for a company. You need to create a dashboard to visualize the logs. What steps would you take to create the dashboard?
- 118. You are working on a project that uses Amazon VPC to create a private network for a company. You need to create a subnet for the database servers. What steps would you take to create the subnet?
- 119. You are responsible for managing the Amazon VPC for a company. You need to create a NAT gateway to allow the instances in the private network to access the internet. What steps would you take to create the NAT gateway?
- 120. You are working on a project that uses Amazon VPC to create a VPN connection to a company's on-premises network. You need to create a VPN gateway and configure the routing. What steps would you take to create the VPN gateway and configure the routing?
- 121. You are responsible for managing the Amazon VPC for a company. You need to create a security group to control the traffic to and from the instances in the private network. What steps would you take to create the security group?
- 122. You are working on a project that uses Amazon VPC to create a network load balancer to distribute traffic to the web servers in the private network. What steps would you take to create the network load balancer?
- 123. You are working on a project that uses ECS to deploy a containerized application. The application is not starting up as expected. What steps would you take to troubleshoot the issue?

- 124. You are responsible for managing the ECS cluster for a company. You need to scale the cluster to meet the increasing demand for a new product. What steps would you take to scale the cluster?
- 125. You are working on a project that uses EKS to deploy a containerized application. The application is not performing as expected. What steps would you take to troubleshoot the issue?
- 126. You are responsible for managing the EKS cluster for a company. You need to update the Kubernetes version of the cluster. What steps would you take to update the version?
- 127. You are working on a project that uses ECS and EKS to deploy a multicontainer application. You need to configure the load balancing between the containers. What steps would you take to configure the load balancing?

