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Check 1: Potential Solution

```
# Solution commands
kubectl run nginx -n ca1 --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80 --dry-run=client -o yaml > pod-livenessprobe.yaml

# Edit and save the file using vim
vim pod-livenessprobe.yaml

apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    run: nginx
  name: nginx
  namespace: ca1
spec:
  containers:
  - image: nginx
    name: nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
    resources: {}
    livenessProbe:
      httpGet:
        path: /
        port: 80
      initialDelaySeconds: 10
      periodSeconds: 5
  dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
  restartPolicy: Never
status: {}

# Apply the manifest to create the Pod within the cluster
kubectl apply -f pod-livenessprobe.yaml
```



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output to a file named `pod-livenessprobe.yaml`. Open this file using `vim` (terminal editor) and update the file to now include the `livenessProbe` configuration as seen above. Save the file. Finally create the Pod resource within the cluster using the `kubectl apply` command.

Content to review

- [Kubernetes Observability: Monitoring, and Debugging - Using Probes to Better Understand Pod Health](#)

Suggested documentation bookmark(s)

- [Configure Liveness, Readiness and Startup Probes](#)

Check 2: Potential Solution

```
# Solution commands
cat << EOF > patch.yaml
spec:
  template:
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: web2
        readinessProbe:
          httpGet:
            port: 80
EOF
kubectl -n hosting patch deployments web2 --patch "$(cat patch.yaml)"
```

Commentary

To start diagnosing the problem, list all the Services in the Namespace by entering:

```
kubectl -n hosting get service -o wide
```

The output wide format includes the Service selectors which could be an issue if they don't match the labels on their respective Pods. Both Services are of

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```
kubectl -n hosting get endpoints
```

The **web2** Service has no endpoints which means it cannot serve any requests. The selector for web2 is app=web2. List all of the corresponding Pods with:

```
kubectl -n hosting get pods --selector app=web2
```

There are two Pods matching the selector so there isn't an issue with the labels. The naming convention of the Pods also suggests they are part of a Deployment. The problem is that the Pods are not in the ready state. Describe the Pods to try to understand why:

```
kubectl -n hosting describe pods --selector app=web2
```

The **Events** section explains that a **Readiness probe failed**. Recall that Services do not serve traffic to Pods that are not in the ready state. In the **Containers** section, the **Readiness** probe is summarized as follows:

Readiness: http-get http://:30/ delay=3s timeout=1s period=3s #success=1 #failure=3

The port the request is being sent to is **30**, however, the port the container is listening on is **80** (shown a few lines above in the describe output). The ReadinessProbe needs to be changed to send the request to port 80 and the Pods should then reach the ready state.

In the exam, you should edit the Deployment using `kubectl edit` and change `port: 30` to `port: 80`. The solution above uses a patch which is equivalent but more time-consuming to construct. It is used for the solution because it allows the solution to be written as one cohesive command and doesn't depend on specifics of a command-line editor, such as `vim` (used by `kubectl edit`).

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returned. Because the actual exams performance-based, you can usually check your solutions are working. However, you should be careful about spending too much time checking to make sure you have time left to attempt all the questions. Practice enough before the exam to be confident enough to not have to check everything you do.

Content to review

- [Kubernetes Observability: Monitoring, and Debugging - Using Probes to Better Understand Pod Health](#)

Suggested documentation bookmark(s)

- [Configure Liveness, Readiness and Startup Probes](#)

Check 3: Potential Solution

```
# Solution commands
kubectl logs -n ca2 -l app=prod | wc -l > /home/ubuntu/combined-row-count-prod.txt
```

Commentary

Use the command `kubectl logs` in the `ca2` namespace to combine all pod logs with label `app=prod`. Pipe the combined log file through the `wc -l` command to get a row count for the combined pod log, and then finally redirect the result out to the file `/home/ubuntu/combined-row-count-prod.txt`.

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- [Logging Architecture](#)

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```
# Solution commands
kubectl exec -n ca2 skynet -- cat /skynet/t2-specs.txt > /home/ubuntu/t2-specs.txt
```

Commentary

Use the command `kubectl exec` on the pod named `skynet` in the `ca2` namespace to execute the `cat` command to output the contents of the `/skynet/t2-specs.txt` pod file - and then finally redirect this output to the file `/home/ubuntu/t2-specs.txt`.

Content to review

- [Get a Shell to a Running Container](#)

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- [Kubernetes Cheatsheet \(exec\)](#)

Check 5: Potential Solution

```
# Solution commands
kubectl top pods -n matrix --sort-by=cpu --no-headers=true | head -n1 |
cut -d" " -f1 > /home/ubuntu/max-cpu-podname.txt
```

Commentary

Use the `kubectl top` command in the `matrix` namespace, sorting the results by CPU using the `--sort-by=cpu` parameter. The `--no-headers=true` parameter can be added to remove the header row from the results. The remaining results are then piped through the `head -n1` command to grab just the top row. Finally the pod name is extracted by piping the previous result through the `cut` command, which is configured to split on whitespace. The pod name is then saved to the file `/home/ubuntu/max-cpu-podname.txt`.

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