

Study Plan

Follow this guideline to successfully prepare for your AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate Exam in 30 days.

For best results, allocate 60-120min each day to cover all 16 sections + 6 practice exams + knowledge reviews from Digital Cloud Training.

Use the cheat sheets to quickly get to the facts.

<i>Section number</i> → (1) Let's Get Started – 30min	○	Day 1 Monday
<i>Section name</i> → (2) AWS Accounts and Organizations – 56min	○	Day 2 Tuesday
(3) Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) – 135min	○	Day 3 Wednesday
(3) Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2) – continued	○	Day 4 Thursday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing, and Auto Scaling – 100min	○	Day 5 Friday
(4) Elastic Load Balancing, and Auto Scaling – continued	○	Day 6 Saturday
(5) AWS Organizations – 30min	○	Day 7 Sunday
(6) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – 130min	○	Day 8 Monday
(6) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – continued	○	Day 9 Tuesday
(7) Amazon Simple Storage Service (S3) – 115min	○	Day 10 Wednesday

Time Management

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.

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

(7) Amazon Simple Storage Service (S3) – continued	○	Day 11 Thursday
(8) DNS, Caching, and Performance Optimization – 80min	○	Day 12 Friday
(8) DNS, Caching, and Performance Optimization – continued	○	Day 13 Saturday
(9) Block and File Storage – 90min	○	Day 14 Sunday
(9) Block and File Storage – continued	○	Day 15 Monday
(10) Docker Containers and ECS – 55min	○	Day 16 Tuesday
(11) Serverless Applications – 90min	○	Day 17 Wednesday
(11) Serverless Applications – continued	○	Day 18 Thursday
(12) Databases and Analytics – 135min	○	Day 19 Friday
(12) Databases and Analytics – 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 25

Practice Test 2 – Day 25

Practice Test 3 – Day 26

Practice Test 4 – Day 26

Practice Test 5 – Day 27

Practice Test 6 – Day 27

Final Exam Simulator – Day 28

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

(13) Deployment and Management – 55min	○	Day 21 Sunday
(14) Monitoring, Logging and Auditing – 42min	○	Day 22 Monday
(15) Security in the Cloud – 60min	○	Day 23 Tuesday
(16) Migration and Transfer – 32min	○	Day 24 Wednesday
Practice Exam (1) Practice Exam (2)	○	Day 25 Thursday
Practice Exam (3) Practice Exam (4)	○	Day 26 Friday
Practice Exam (5) Practice Exam (6)	○	Day 27 Saturday
Final Exam Simulator (130min)	○	Day 28 Sunday
<u>Final Revision</u>	○	Day 29 Monday
Review practice exam error	○	Day 29 Monday
Review cheat sheets	○	Day 30 Tuesday

Knowledge Reviews

For those enrolled in the [practice exam course](#) from Digital Cloud Training, you get to dive deep into specific areas with our knowledge reviews.

You are presented with a series of questions focused on a specific topic.

Knowledge reviews are a great way to check your knowledge as you move through the course.

There is no time limit and you can view the answer to each question as you go through them.

