



AWS Certifications

a concise guide for SREs



Who am I?



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Commitment improves our discipline, forcing us to **lock time for learning**

Makes the candidate **professionally more appealing**

Just like a hardcore training session, passing an exam is an **interesting challenge!**

Certification benefits

FOUNDATIONAL



PROFESSIONAL



ASSOCIATE



SPECIALTY







aws 
certified

Solutions Architect

ASSOCIATE

130 min to complete the exam

65 questions

720 passing score

The **most versatile** certification

Popular services, governance and IAM, best practices, networking, computation, monitoring, scalability, caching, queueing, storage options, RDS, containers, DR strategies



130 minutes, 65 questions

Very well-suited for SRE roles

Overlapping with Architecture
one makes easier to pass this
exam

Focus on **observability**,
troubleshooting, and
administration

Hands-on **lab included** (or not)





aws 
certified

DevOps Engineer

PROFESSIONAL

180 min to complete the exam

75 questions

750 passing score

Difficult to prepare

Questions from many **different domains**

Many **security** related questions

Unpopular services



Terraform

CERTIFIED
ASSOCIATE

HCTA0-003



60 min to complete the exam

57 questions

70% passing score

Focused on **Terraform**

Not very difficult

Great for learning automation





Specialties



With a little help from...



Ask for the **30 minutes extension**

Architecting on AWS **official course**

skillbuilder.aws

Exam guides, on each cert page

workshops.aws

Sample questions, available at the certification pages

examtopics.com, for learning your **unknown unknowns**

Q & A



Certs **are tools** for helping you to become a **better professional**

Prepare yourself and **go for that certification!**

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