The Steps you must take before you create an EC2 are:

1. Requirement Gathering
2. Create your key pair
3. Create your security group
4. Create your Instance Template for future use with an AMI
5. Create your instance from the launch Template
6. Get an Elastic IP (Permanent IP)

Requirement Gathering:

1. OS
2. Centos
3. Size 🡺 Ram, CPU, Network etc
4. Min
5. Storage size
6. 10 gigs
7. Project
8. Services/Apps Running
9. SSH, Http, Mysql etc
10. Environment (Dev, QA, Staging, Prod)
11. Login User/Owner