CKAD HANDS-ON PRACTICE QUESTIONS

Part 1: For your YAML files, use Kubernetes Documentation or generate them from the CLI

1. Resource Requests and Limits

Task: Set CPU and memory requests and limits for a container in a Pod.

Question:

- 1. Create a Pod named resource-limited-pod with a single container running the nginx image.
- 2. Set the following resource limits for the nginx container:
 - o Request: 100m CPU, 128Mi memory
 - o Limit: 200m CPU, 256Mi memory
- 3. Verify that the resource requests and limits are set correctly.

2. Deployment with Rolling Updates

Task: Create a Deployment and perform a rolling update.

Question:

- 1. Create a Deployment named my-app that runs 3 replicas of the nginx image.
- 2. Expose the Deployment via a ClusterIP service named my-app-service.
- 3. Perform a rolling update to change the NGINX image version to nginx:1.19.
- 4. Verify that the rollout was successful, and ensure that the new version of the image is running.
- 5. Roll back to the previous version of the Deployment.

3. ConfigMaps and Secrets

Task: Use ConfigMaps and Secrets with Pods.

Question:

- 1. Create a ConfigMap named my-config with two key-value pairs: app_name=myapp and app_version=1.0.
- 2. Create a Secret named my-secret with the following data:

o username: admin

o password: password123

- 3. Create a Pod named config-secrets-pod using the nginx image, and mount the ConfigMap and Secret as environment variables.
- 4. Verify that the Pod can access both the ConfigMap and the Secret.

4. Namespaces

Task: Create and use namespaces.

Question:

- 1. Create a new namespace named dev in your cluster.
- 2. Create a Pod named nginx-pod-dev in the dev namespace, running the nginx image.
- 3. Create a second Pod named nginx-pod-prod in the prod namespace, running the nginx image.
- 4. Verify that the Pods are running in their respective namespaces.

5. StatefulSet

Task: Create a StatefulSet and use persistent storage.

Question:

- 1. Create a StatefulSet named my-statefulset with 3 replicas running the nginx image.
- 2. Ensure that each Pod in the StatefulSet has its own PersistentVolume (PV) using hostPath for storage.
- 3. Verify that the PersistentVolumes are created and attached to each Pod in the StatefulSet.
- 4. Delete one of the Pods in the StatefulSet and verify that it is recreated with the same PersistentVolume.

6. Job and CronJob

Task: Create a Job and a CronJob.

Question:

1. Create a Job named backup-job that runs a container using the busybox image with the command echo "Backup completed".

- 2. Set the Job to run to completion only once.
- 3. Create a CronJob that runs the backup Job every day at midnight.
- 4. Verify that the CronJob runs as expected and the Job completes successfully.

7. NetworkPolicies

Task: Implement NetworkPolicies to control traffic.

Question:

- 1. Create two Pods named pod-a and pod-b in the same namespace.
- 2. Create a NetworkPolicy that only allows traffic from pod-a to pod-b.
- 3. Verify that traffic from pod-b to pod-a is blocked and traffic from pod-a to pod-b is allowed.

8. Debugging Pods

Task: Troubleshoot Pod issues.

Question:

- 1. Create a Pod named nginx-pod using the nginx image, but intentionally create a misconfiguration such as incorrect environment variables or missing files.
- 2. Use kubectl commands (e.g., describe, logs, exec) to debug and fix the issues with the Pod.
- 3. Once fixed, ensure the Pod is running correctly.

9. RBAC - Role-Based Access Control

Task: Implement RBAC policies.

Question:

- 1. Create a Role that allows reading Pods in the default namespace.
- Create a RoleBinding that binds the Role to a service account named read-only-sa.
- 3. Create a Pod that uses the read-only-sa service account.
- 4. Verify that the Pod can read the Pod list, but cannot create or delete Pods.

10. Helm - Install and Manage Packages

Task: Use Helm to deploy an application.

Question:

- 1. Install Helm and initialize it (if necessary).
- 2. Use Helm to deploy the nginx chart to your cluster.
- 3. Expose the application via a Service using Helm's chart configuration.
- 4. Upgrade the application to a newer version of the nginx chart.
- 5. Roll back the deployment to the previous version.

Part 2: For your YAML files, use Kubernetes Documentation or generate them from the CLI

1. Pod Creation and Management

- 1. Create a Pod with the name nginx-pod running the nginx image.
- 2. Create a Pod with the name nginx-pod that runs the nginx image with two containers: one running nginx and another running busybox with the command sleep 3600.
- 3. Set resource requests and limits for a Pod running nginx:latest with a CPU request of 100m and memory request of 256Mi.
- 4. Delete the Pod nginx-pod using kubectl command.
- 5. Scale the Pod nginx-pod to 3 replicas.

2. Deployments and Rollouts

- 1. Create a Deployment named nginx-deployment that runs the nginx image with 3 replicas.
- 2. Expose the nginx-deployment via a ClusterIP Service.
- 3. Perform a rolling update to change the nginx version from 1.18 to 1.19.
- 4. Rollback the Deployment nginx-deployment to its previous revision.
- 5. Ensure the Deployment nginx-deployment has at least 2 replicas running at all times.

3. StatefulSets and Persistence

- 1. Create a StatefulSet named web-statefulset running nginx with 3 replicas.
- 2. Create a PersistentVolume and PersistentVolumeClaim and link it to a StatefulSet with the name stateful-web-app.
- 3. Scale the StatefulSet web-statefulset to 5 replicas and verify persistent storage behavior.
- 4. Delete one Pod from the StatefulSet and verify that it's recreated with the same PersistentVolume.
- 5. Implement and verify that each Pod in the StatefulSet gets a unique DNS name.

4. ConfigMaps and Secrets

- Create a ConfigMap with the name nginx-config containing key-value pairs such as nginx-port=8080.
- Create a Secret named db-credentials with data like username=admin and password=secret.
- 3. Mount a ConfigMap as an environment variable in a Pod running nginx.
- 4. Mount a Secret as a volume in a Pod and ensure sensitive data is protected.
- 5. Create a Pod that uses both a ConfigMap and Secret and verify that they are correctly injected into the Pod's containers.

5. Services

- 1. Create a Service of type ClusterIP to expose the nginx-pod on port 80.
- 2. Create a Service of type LoadBalancer for the nginx-deployment.
- 3. Create a NodePort service to expose an application on port 30001.
- 4. Expose the nginx Deployment via a ClusterIP service and test access to the service from another Pod.

6. Networking and Network Policies

- 1. Create a NetworkPolicy to block all traffic to a Pod except from a specific nginx-pod.
- 2. Create a Pod pod-a and another pod-b. Apply a NetworkPolicy that allows only pod-a to communicate with pod-b.
- Use the kubectl port-forward command to expose a Pod running nginx locally on your machine.
- 4. Implement a NetworkPolicy that allows traffic only from Pods in the same namespace.
- 5. Create a Pod that can only access a Service via its ClusterIP.

7. Horizontal Pod Autoscaling

- 1. Create a Deployment for nginx with 2 replicas and set up a Horizontal Pod Autoscaler (HPA) for it based on CPU usage.
- 2. Set a target CPU utilization of 50% for the HPA and verify its behavior.
- 3. Ensure that the minimum replicas for the HPA are 2 and maximum replicas are 4.
- 4. Monitor the scaling events and ensure that HPA scales the Deployment automatically based on load.

8. Ingress and TLS

- 1. Set up an Ingress controller and create an Ingress resource to expose the nginx-deployment via myapp.example.com.
- 2. Enable TLS termination on the Ingress and secure the connection using a self-signed certificate.
- 3. Create an Ingress resource that allows routing traffic to two different services based on URL path (e.g., /app and /api).
- 4. Configure an Ingress to route traffic to a Service using both HTTP and HTTPS.
- 5. Verify that your Ingress resource correctly routes traffic to the appropriate Pods.

9. Jobs and CronJobs

- Create a Job named backup-job that runs a simple echo "Backup Complete" using the busybox image.
- 2. Create a CronJob that runs the backup-job every day at midnight.
- 3. Check the CronJob's logs and verify that it executes correctly.
- 4. Scale the Job to run multiple instances and verify that it completes successfully.
- 5. Create a CronJob that runs once every hour and executes a script that writes to a log file.

10. RBAC and ServiceAccount:

- 1. Create a ServiceAccount and assign it a role that only allows access to the nginx Pods.
- 2. Create a RoleBinding to assign the role to a specific ServiceAccount in a namespace.
- 3. Use the kubectl command to test the permissions granted by the ServiceAccount.