

COMP 012 - Network Administration

Windows + Linux + Packet Tracer + Python Automation

SESSION 12: CLOUD INTEGRATION AND TROUBLESHOOTING

ACTIVITY 12.1: CLOUD VM DEPLOYMENT

Topic: Deploying VMs in AWS or Azure

Description: Learn to deploy and manage cloud virtual machines

INSTRUCTIONS:

Create cloud account:

- AWS Free Tier OR Azure Free Account
- Set up billing alerts
- Enable MFA for security

Deploy cloud VM:

AWS EC2:

- Launch t2.micro Ubuntu instance
- Create key pair for SSH
- Configure Security Group:
 - Allow SSH (22) from your IP
 - Allow HTTP (80) from anywhere
- Connect via SSH

Azure (alternative):

- Create B1s Ubuntu VM
- Configure NSG rules
- Connect via SSH

Post-deployment:

- Update system packages
- Install web server
- Configure firewall
- Test public access

Document cloud costs and usage

Deliverables: Submit cloud VM deployment screenshots and connection proof

30 Points

ACTIVITY 12.2: HYBRID INFRASTRUCTURE SETUP

Topic: Connecting on-premises to cloud

Description: Create hybrid connectivity between local lab and cloud

INSTRUCTIONS:

Design hybrid architecture:

- Local lab: Windows Server, Linux Server
- Cloud: Ubuntu VM as web server
- Communication between environments

Configure connectivity:

Option 1 - SSH Tunnel:

- Create SSH tunnel for specific services
- Forward ports securely

Option 2 - VPN (advanced):

- Set up WireGuard or OpenVPN
- Connect cloud VM to local network

Python hybrid management script:

- Manage both local and cloud servers
- Single inventory file
- Execute commands on any server
- Health check across environments

Test scenarios:

- Deploy app locally, database in cloud
- Backup local data to cloud storage

Document hybrid architecture

Deliverables: Submit hybrid connectivity setup and management script

35 Points

ACTIVITY 12.3: NETWORK TROUBLESHOOTING SCENARIOS

Topic: Systematic network problem solving

Description: Practice troubleshooting common network issues

INSTRUCTIONS:

Troubleshooting methodology:

- OSI layer approach (bottom-up, top-down)
- Divide and conquer
- Documentation of steps

Scenario 1 - No network connectivity:

- Check physical layer (cables, link lights)
- Check IP configuration (ipconfig, ip addr)
- Check gateway (ping gateway)
- Check DNS (nslookup)
- Check remote host (ping, traceroute)

Scenario 2 - Slow network performance:

- Bandwidth testing
- Check for errors (interface counters)
- Look for bottlenecks
- Analyze traffic patterns

Scenario 3 - Intermittent connectivity:

- Monitor over time
- Check logs for patterns
- Identify problematic component

Scenario 4 - Cannot access specific service:

- Verify service is running
- Check firewall rules
- Verify port connectivity (telnet, nc)

Create troubleshooting documentation template

Deliverables: Submit troubleshooting documentation for all scenarios

35 Points

TOTAL POINTS: 100