

# 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.

Once you pass your exam, feel free to tag Neal on your favorite social media channel so we get to celebrate your exam success.

<i>Section number</i> → (1) Let's Get Started – 30min	○	Day 1 Monday
<i>Section name</i> → (2) AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) – 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 and Control Tower – 45min	○	Day 7 Sunday
(6) Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) – 135min	○	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.

Extra time has been allocated to do the hands-on exercises that are outlined in the course.

To gain more practical experience with AWS services, we encourage you to explore our [challenge labs](#) - scenario-based hands-on exercises that run in a secure sandbox environment.

(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 – 65min	○	Day 16 Tuesday
(11) Serverless Applications – 90min	○	Day 17 Wednesday
(11) Serverless Applications – continued	○	Day 18 Thursday
(12) Databases and Analytics – 145min	○	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 26

Practice Test 2 – Day 26

Practice Test 3 – Day 27

Practice Test 4 – Day 27

Practice Test 5 – Day 28

Practice Test 6 – Day 28

Final Exam Simulator – Day 29

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

(13) Deployment and Management – 55min

(14) Monitoring, Logging and Auditing – 47min

(15) Security in the Cloud – 60min

(16) Migration and Transfer – 32min

(17) Web, Mobile, ML and Cost Management – 35min

Practice Exam (1)  
Practice Exam (2)

Practice Exam (3)  
Practice Exam (4)

Practice Exam (5)  
Practice Exam (6)

Final Revision

Final Exam Simulator (130min)

Review cheat sheets and practice exam error

Day 21  
Sunday

Day 22  
Monday

Day 23  
Tuesday

Day 24  
Wednesday

Day 25  
Thursday

Day 26  
Friday

Day 27  
Saturday

Day 28  
Sunday

Day 29  
Monday

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 progress 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.

