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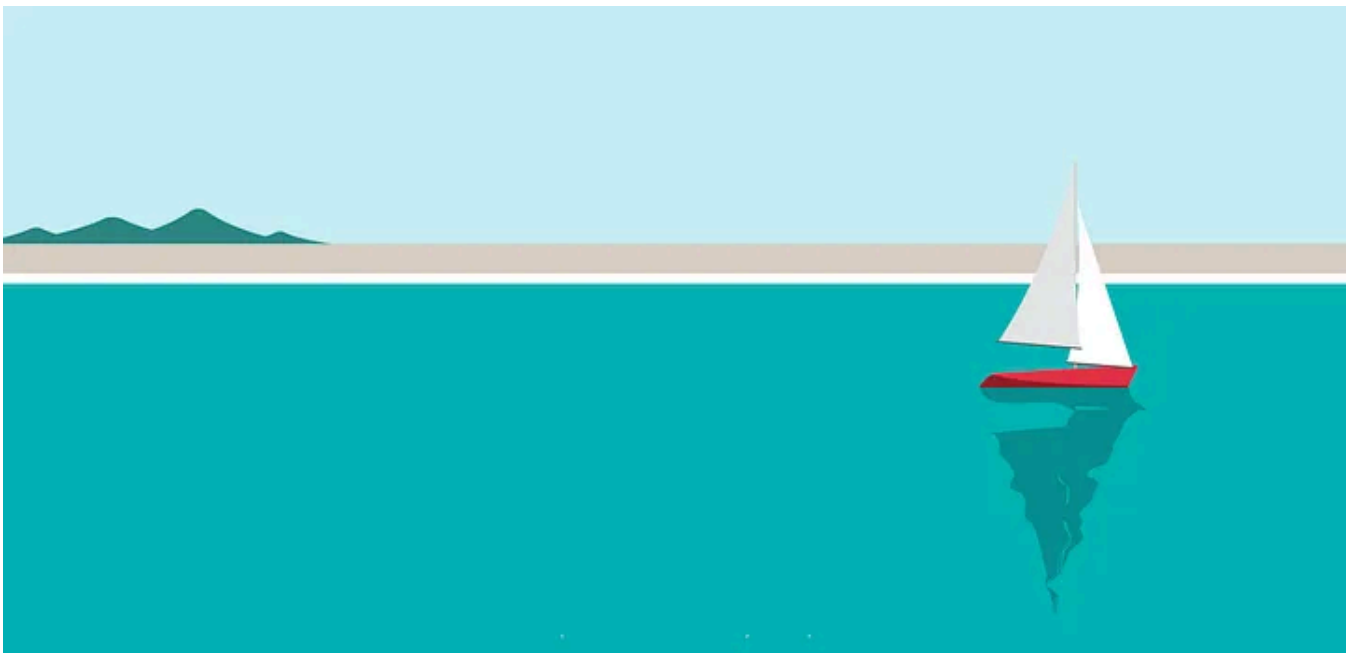
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Let's face it, all these yaml files in Kubernetes can be overwhelming. Here is what helped me during my preparation to pass the CKAD exam : building step by step, a big, giant, Pod yaml file in a specific Namespace, containing a Service Account, an Environment variable, a Port, Resources (limits and requests), a Label, a Command, an ImagePullPolicy, Secrets, ConfigMaps, Volumes and an InitContainer.

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```
> alias k=kubectl
```

Namespace

```
> k create ns ckad
> k config set-context --current --namespace=ckad
```

Pod

Generate a Pod with Service Account, Environment variable, Port, Resources, Label, Command, ImagePullPolicy

```
> k run nginx --image=nginx --env=USER=user --port=80 --
serviceaccount=default --limits='cpu=200m,memory=512Mi' --
requests='cpu=200m,memory=512Mi' --labels=app=dev --image-pull-
policy=IfNotPresent --command --dry-run=client -oyaml -- /bin/sh -c
"echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 3600" > pod.yaml
```

```
> cat pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    app: dev
  name: nginx
spec:
  containers:
  - command:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 3600
    env:
    - name: USER
      value: user
    image: nginx
    imagePullPolicy: Never
    name: nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
    resources:
      limits:
        cpu: 200m
        memory: 512Mi
      requests:
        cpu: 200m
        memory: 512Mi
    dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
```

```
restartPolicy: Always
serviceAccountName: default
status: {}

> k logs nginx
Hello Kubernetes!
```

Secrets

Secret from literal

```
> k create secret generic secret-literal --from-
literal=username=user --from-literal=password=pass

> k get secret secret-literal -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: secret-literal
  namespace: ckad
type: Opaque
data:
  password: cGFzcw==
  username: dXNlcg==
```

Secret from env file

```
> vi secret.env
```

Secret env file

```
> cat secret.env
MYSQL_USER=1234
MYSQL_PASS=azer

> k create secret generic secret-env-file --from-env-file=secret.env

> k get secret secret-env-file -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: secret-env-file
  namespace: ckad
type: Opaque
data:
```

```
MYSQL_PASS: YXplcg==
MYSQL_USER: MTIzNA==
```

Secret from file

```
> vi secret.file
secret.code.true=true
secret.code.false=false

> k create secret generic secret-file --from-file=secret-
file=secret.file --from-file=secret.file

> k get secret secret-file -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
  name: secret-file
  namespace: ckad
type: Opaque
data:
  secret-file:
c2VjcmV0LmNvZGUudHJ1ZT10cnVlCnNlY3JldC5jb2RlLmZhbHNlPWZhbHNlCg==
  secret.file:
c2VjcmV0LmNvZGUudHJ1ZT10cnVlCnNlY3JldC5jb2RlLmZhbHNlPWZhbHNlCg==
```

Pod using all these secrets

```
> vi pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    app: dev
  name: nginx
spec:
  containers:
  - command:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 3600
    env:
    - name: USER
      value: user
    - name: SECRET_USERNAME
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: username
    - name: SECRET_PASSWORD
```

```

    valueFrom:
      secretKeyRef:
        name: secret-literal
        key: password
  envFrom:
  - secretRef:
      name: secret-env-file
  image: nginx
  imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
  name: nginx
  ports:
  - containerPort: 80
  resources:
    limits:
      cpu: 200m
      memory: 512Mi
    requests:
      cpu: 200m
      memory: 512Mi
  volumeMounts:
  - name: secret-file
    mountPath: "/etc/secret"
    readOnly: true
  volumes:
  - name: secret-file
    secret:
      secretName: secret-file
  dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
  restartPolicy: Always
  serviceAccountName: default
status: {}

> k apply -f pod.yaml

> k exec nginx -- env
SECRET_USERNAME=user
SECRET_PASSWORD=pass
MYSQL_PASS=azer
MYSQL_USER=1234
USER=user

> k exec nginx -- ls /etc/secret
secret-file
secret.file

> k exec nginx -- more /etc/secret/secret-file
/etc/secret/secret.file
::::::::::::
/etc/secret/secret-file
::::::::::::
secret.code.true=true
secret.code.false=false
::::::::::::
/etc/secret/secret.file
::::::::::::

```

```
secret.code.true=true
secret.code.false=false

> k exec nginx -- touch /etc/secret/file
touch: cannot touch '/etc/secret/file': Read-only file system
command terminated with exit code 1
```

ConfigMap

ConfigMap from literal

```
> k create configmap configmap-literal --from-
literal=special.how=very --from-literal=special.type=charm

> k get cm configmap-literal -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: configmap-literal
  namespace: ckad
data:
  special.how: very
  special.type: charm
```

ConfigMap from env file

```
> k create configmap configmap-env-file --from-env-
file=configmap.env

> k get cm configmap-env-file -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: configmap-env-file
  namespace: ckad
data:
  allowed: "true"
  lives: "3"
```

ConfigMap from file

```
> k create cm configmap-file --from-file=configmap-
file=configmap.file --from-file=configmap.file

> k get cm configmap-file -oyaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
```

```
metadata:
  name: configmap-file
  namespace: ckad
data:
  configmap-file: |
    color.good=purple
    color.bad=yellow
  configmap.file: |
    color.good=purple
    color.bad=yellow
```

Pod using all these ConfigMaps

```
> vi pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    app: dev
  name: nginx
spec:
  containers:
  - command:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 3600
    env:
    - name: USER
      value: user
    - name: SECRET_USERNAME
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: username
    - name: SECRET_PASSWORD
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: password
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_HOW
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.how
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_TYPE
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.type
    envFrom:
    - secretRef:
```

```

      name: secret-env-file
    - configMapRef:
        name: configmap-env-file
    image: nginx
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
    name: nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
    resources:
      limits:
        cpu: 200m
        memory: 512Mi
      requests:
        cpu: 200m
        memory: 512Mi
    volumeMounts:
    - name: secret-file
      mountPath: "/etc/secret"
      readOnly: true
    - name: configmap-file
      mountPath: "/etc/configmap"
      readOnly: true
    volumes:
    - name: secret-file
      secret:
        secretName: secret-file
    - name: configmap-file
      configMap:
        name: configmap-file
    dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
    restartPolicy: Always
    serviceAccountName: default
status: {}

> k apply -f pod.yaml

> k exec nginx -- env
MYSQL_PASS=azer
MYSQL_USER=1234
USER=user
SECRET_USERNAME=user
SECRET_PASSWORD=pass
CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_HOW=very
CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_TYPE=charm
lives=3
allowed="true"

> k exec nginx -- ls /etc/configmap
configmap-file
configmap.file

> k exec nginx -- more /etc/configmap/configmap-file
/etc/configmap/configmap.file
::::::::::::
/etc/configmap/configmap-file
::::::::::::

```



```

color.good=purple
color.bad=yellow
:::
/etc/configmap/configmap.file
:::
color.good=purple
color.bad=yellow

```

Volumes

HostPath volume

```

> mkdir /tmp/ckad
> echo 'Hello from Kubernetes storage' > /tmp/ckad/message.txt

```

```

> vi hostpath-storage.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
  name: hostpath-pv
  labels:
    type: local
spec:
  storageClassName: manual
  capacity:
    storage: 10Mi
  accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
  hostPath:
    path: "/tmp/ckad"
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
metadata:
  name: hostpath-pvc
spec:
  storageClassName: manual
  accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
  resources:
    requests:
      storage: 5Mi

```

```

---
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
metadata:
  name: hostpath-pvc
spec:
  storageClassName: manual
  accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
  resources:
    requests:
      storage: 5Mi

```

```
> k get pv,pvc
```

NAME	CAPACITY	ACCESS MODES	RECLAIM
POLICY STATUS CLAIM	STORAGECLASS		
persistentvolume/hostpath-pv	10Mi	RWO	Retain
Bound ckad/hostpath-pvc	manual		

NAME	STATUS	VOLUME	CAPACITY
ACCESS MODES STORAGECLASS			

persistentvolumeclaim/hostpath-pvc	Bound	hostpath-pv	10Mi
RWO	manual		

Pod mounting this HostPath volume and an emptyDir

```
> vi pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    app: dev
  name: nginx
spec:
  containers:
  - command:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 3600
    env:
    - name: USER
      value: user
    - name: SECRET_USERNAME
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: username
    - name: SECRET_PASSWORD
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: password
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_HOW
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.how
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_TYPE
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.type
    envFrom:
    - secretRef:
        name: secret-env-file
    - configMapRef:
        name: configmap-env-file
    image: nginx
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
    name: nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
```

```

resources:
  limits:
    cpu: 200m
    memory: 512Mi
  requests:
    cpu: 200m
    memory: 512Mi
volumeMounts:
- name: secret-file
  mountPath: "/etc/secret"
  readOnly: true
- name: configmap-file
  mountPath: "/etc/configmap"
  readOnly: true
- name: hostpath-storage
  mountPath: "/mnt/hostpath"
- name: emptydir-storage
  mountPath: "/mnt/emptydir"
volumes:
- name: secret-file
  secret:
    secretName: secret-file
- name: configmap-file
  configMap:
    name: configmap-file
- name: hostpath-storage
  persistentVolumeClaim:
    claimName: hostpath-pvc
- name: emptydir-storage
  emptyDir: {}
dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
restartPolicy: Always
serviceAccountName: default
status: {}

> k exec nginx -- ls /mnt
emptydir
hostpath

> k exec nginx -- ls /mnt/emptydir

> k exec nginx -- ls /mnt/hostpath
message.txt

> k exec nginx -- cat /mnt/hostpath/message.txt
Hello from Kubernetes storage

```

Init container

```

> k exec nginx -- curl localhost
Failed to connect to localhost port 80: Connection refused

```

```
> vi pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    app: dev
  name: nginx
spec:
  initContainers:
  - name: init
    image: busybox
    command:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - echo 'Hello Kubernetes!'; sleep 2
  containers:
  - env:
    - name: USER
      value: user
    - name: SECRET_USERNAME
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: username
    - name: SECRET_PASSWORD
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: secret-literal
          key: password
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_HOW
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.how
    - name: CONFIGMAP_SPECIAL_TYPE
      valueFrom:
        configMapKeyRef:
          name: configmap-literal
          key: special.type
    envFrom:
    - secretRef:
        name: secret-env-file
    - configMapRef:
        name: configmap-env-file
    image: nginx
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
    name: nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
  resources:
    limits:
      cpu: 200m
      memory: 512Mi
    requests:
```

```
    cpu: 200m
    memory: 512Mi
  volumeMounts:
  - name: secret-file
    mountPath: "/etc/secret"
    readOnly: true
  - name: configmap-file
    mountPath: "/etc/configmap"
    readOnly: true
  - name: hostpath-storage
    mountPath: "/mnt/hostpath"
  - name: emptydir-storage
    mountPath: "/mnt/emptydir"
  volumes:
  - name: secret-file
    secret:
      secretName: secret-file
  - name: configmap-file
    configMap:
      name: configmap-file
  - name: hostpath-storage
    persistentVolumeClaim:
      claimName: hostpath-pvc
  - name: emptydir-storage
    emptyDir: {}
  dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
  restartPolicy: Always
  serviceAccountName: default
status: {}

> k exec nginx -- curl localhost
<html>
...
</html>

> k logs nginx -c init
Hello Kubernetes!
```

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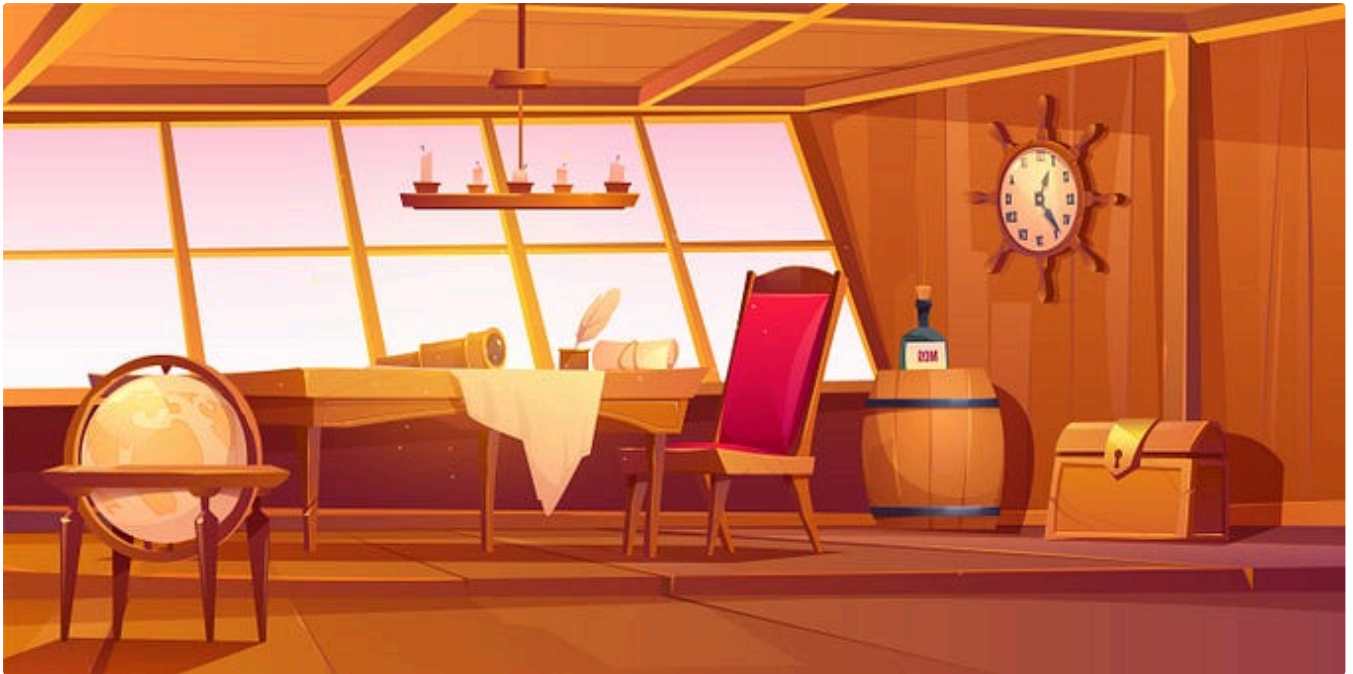
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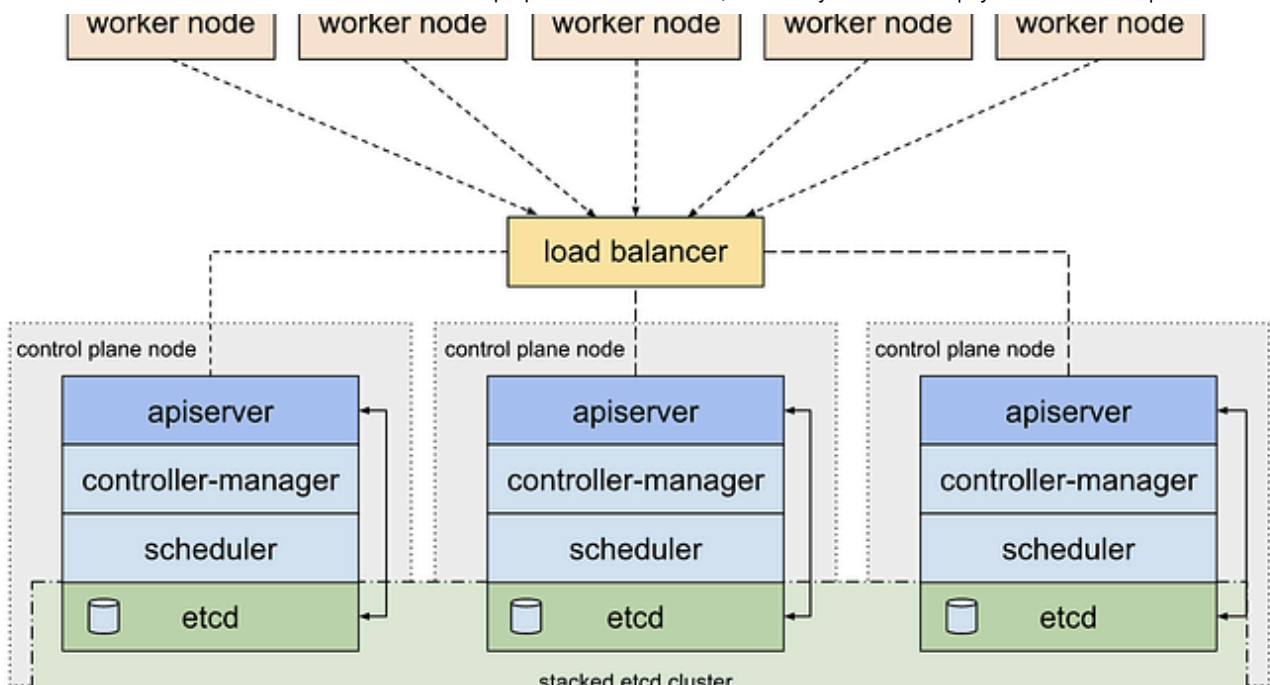


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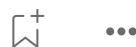


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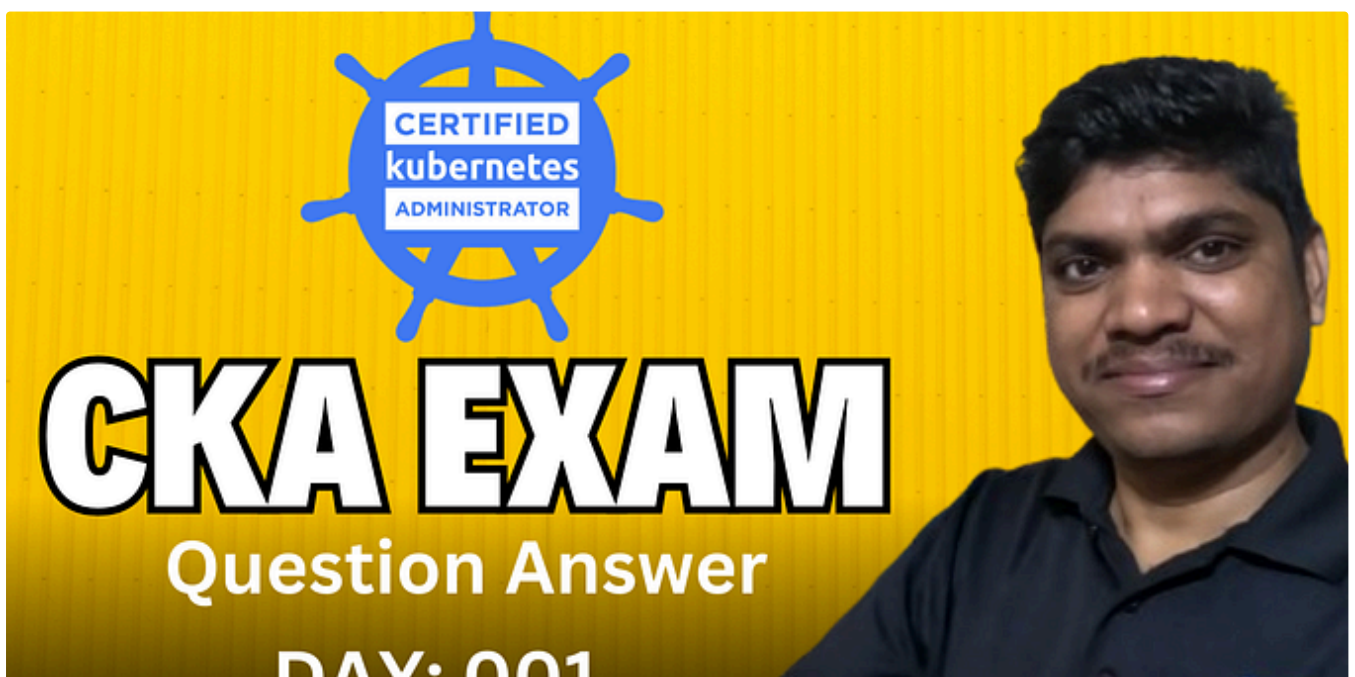


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