

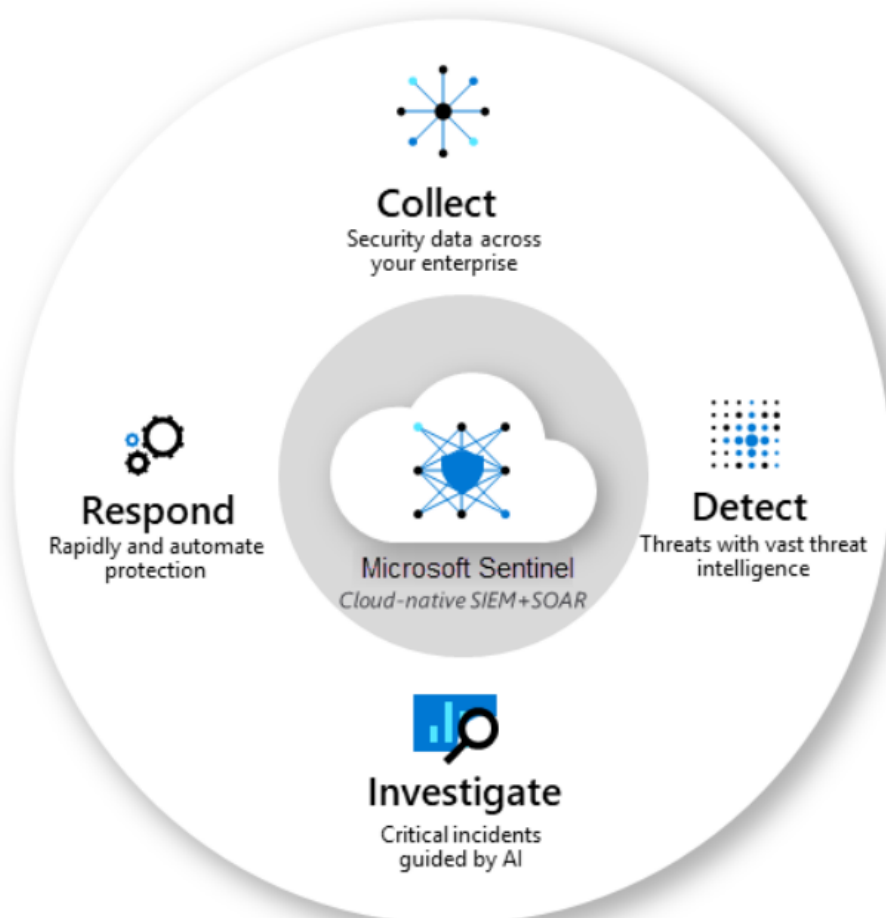
# Log Analytical workspace and Microsoft sentinel

## Microsoft sentinel

Sentinel will collect the logs along with that it will delivers intelligent security analytics and threat intelligence across the enterprise. it will keep eye on attacj detection, threat visibility, proactive hunting and threat response.

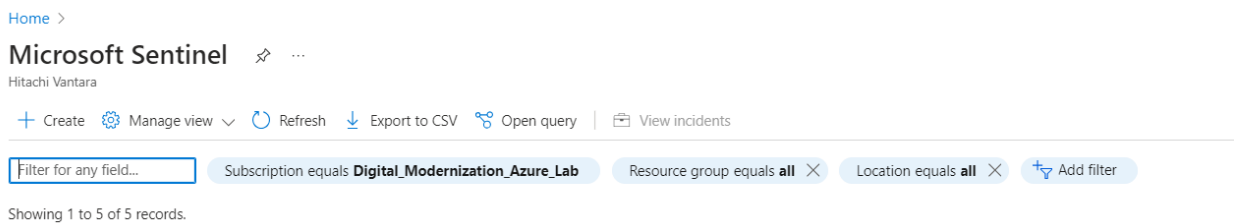
Microsoft Sentinel is a scalable, cloud-native solution that provides:

- Security information and event management (SIEM)
- Security orchestration, automation, and response (SOAR)



## How to enable sentinel in Azure.

1. Search for Microsoft sentinel in console click on create



## 2. + create a new workspace

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### Create Log Analytics workspace ...

**Basics**   Tags   Review + Create

**i** A Log Analytics workspace is the basic management unit of Azure Monitor Logs. There are specific considerations you should take when creating a new Log Analytics workspace. [Learn more](#)

With Azure Monitor Logs you can easily store, retain, and query data collected from your monitored resources in Azure and other environments for valuable insights. A Log Analytics workspace is the logical storage unit where your log data is collected and stored.

#### Project details

Select the subscription to manage deployed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and manage all your resources.

Subscription \* ⓘ

Resource group \* ⓘ  [Create new](#)

#### Instance details

Name \* ⓘ  ✓

Region \* ⓘ

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Click on Create

## Data Retention

Once the sentinel is created decide how long data needs to be in sync. remember more data retention will leads to more cost. for better price you can choose the commitment tier as per your need.

Note: for this article, im choosing pay as you go tier

Go to Sentinel → <your sentinel> → Settings → Workspace settings (this will open log analytics workspace)

The screenshot shows the 'kavya-low' Log Analytics workspace in the Azure portal. The left-hand navigation pane includes sections for Overview, Activity log, Access control (IAM), Tags, Diagnose and solve problems, Logs, Settings, Tables, Agents, Usage and estimated costs, Data export, Network isolation, Linked storage accounts, Properties, Locks, Classic, Legacy agents management, Legacy activity log connector, and Legacy storage account logs. The 'Settings' section is currently selected. The main content area displays a notification about the deprecation of Log Analytics agents (MMA/OMS) and a list of workspace essentials including Resource group, Status, Location, Subscription, Subscription ID, and Tags. To the right, key details like Workspace Name, Workspace ID, Pricing tier, Access control mode, and Operational issues are shown. Below this, a 'Get started with Log Analytics' section provides three numbered steps: 1. Connect a data source, 2. Configure monitoring solutions, and 3. Monitor workspace health, each with a brief description and links to further resources.

Go to → Usage and estimated cost → Data retention → select the number of days → click on ok

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Data Retention
Help

g tier for this workspace can be changed in the [how to change the Sentinel pricing tier](#).

### Usage Charts

Billable data ingestion by table (last 31 days)

Data ingested by table (last 90 days)

Table
No data

## Data Retention

31 days of retention is included with your pricing plan. Longer retention will incur additional charges. Retention can also be [configured individually for specific data types](#).

Data Retention (Days)

Retention for Application Insights data types default to 90 days and will get the workspace retention if it is over 90 days. To set the retention on these types to be less than 90 days, set the retention on each of these data types. [Learn more](#).

In addition to setting the default retention for tables in this workspace here, you can configuration data retention and data archive on a per-table basis on the [Tables](#) page of this workspace.

OK

## Provide Permission to Resource group

Giving permission to a resource group will help to manage automation and analytics rules in a resource group.

Go to Settings in sentinel → settings → Playbook permission → configure permission



# Microsoft Sentinel | Settings

Selected workspace: 'kavya-low'

Search

## Threat management

Incidents

Workbooks

Hunting

Notebooks

Entity behavior

Threat intelligence

MITRE ATT&CK (Preview)

## Content management

Content hub

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## Configuration

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Automation

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Pricing

**Settings**

Workspace settings >

## Entity behavior analytics

### What is it?

Microsoft Sentinel's user and entity behavior analytics (UEBA) creates comprehensive profiles of users' and entities' behavior within your organization to create the context for determining anomalies from selected data sources. [Learn more about identifying threat](#)

### How to enable it

To turn on Microsoft Sentinel's UEBA in just a few easy steps, follow the steps to enable providers and data sources. See [Enable User and Entity Behavior Analytics](#)

Set UEBA

## Anomalies

Microsoft Sentinel provides a rich set of behavior analytics Anomalies table in your workspace. You can use them in your investigations to identify anomalies. You can also customize the parameters of the machine learning (ML) models to train the ML models. This data is cached and updated daily.

Only a Global Administrator or a Security Administrator can enable UEBA anomalies.

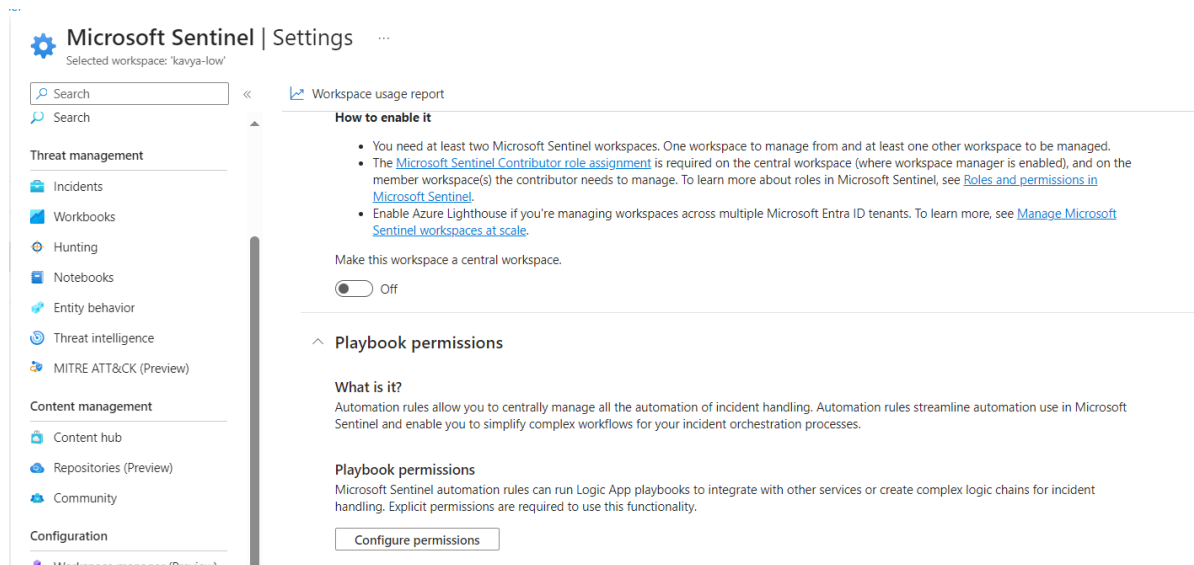


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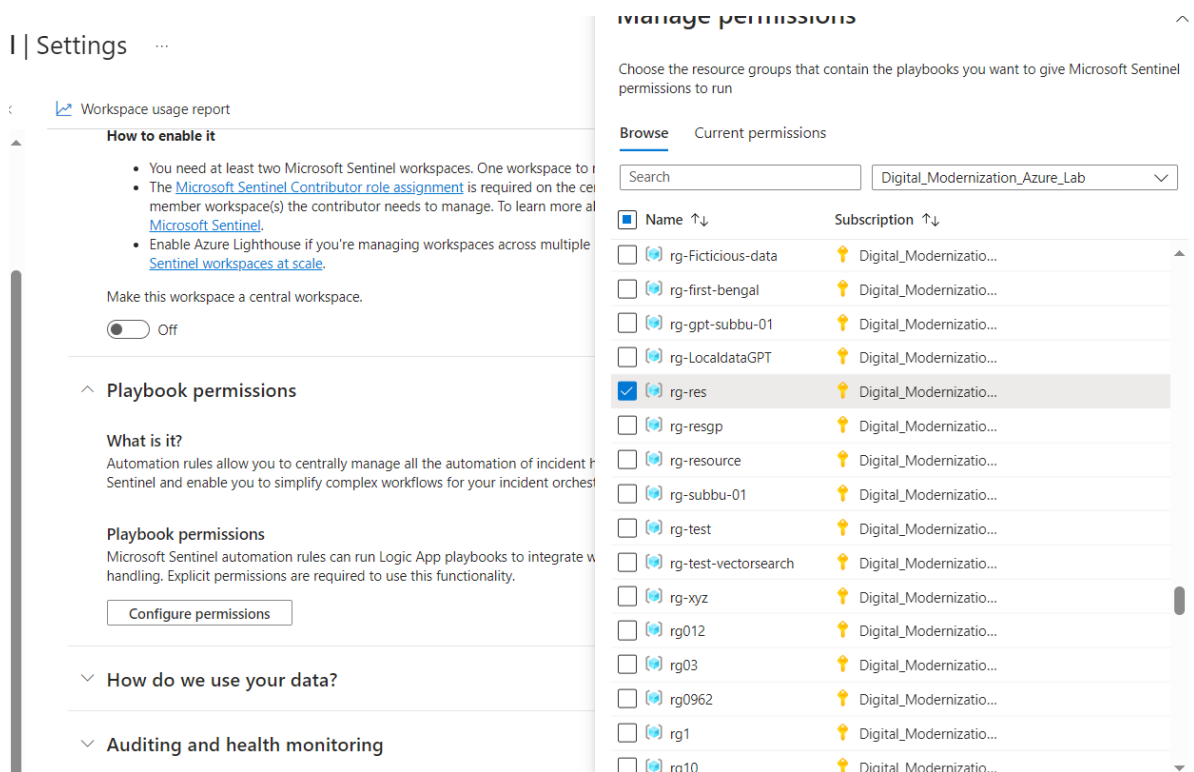


UEBA anomalies will be enabled after 5 minutes.

[Go to analytics in order to configure the anomalies >](#)



Select the Resource group from the required subscription and apply.



To make sentinel to Inject the data, we need to complete below 3 configuration changes.

1. connect to data sources via content hub
2. Deploy analytic rules
3. Configure Hunting rule with workbooks.

## Inject data into the workspace.

To onboard the sentinel, first you need to connect to your data sources via content hub with below steps

Go to content hub → search for Azure activity → install

Once installed click on manage.

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Sentinel Content Hub interface. On the left, there is a navigation pane with sections: Threat management (Incidents, Workbooks, Hunting, Notebooks, Entity behavior, Threat intelligence, MITRE ATT&CK (Preview)), Content management (Content hub, Repositories (Preview), Community), and Configuration (Workspace manager (Preview), Data connectors, Analytics, Watchlist, Automation, Settings). The 'Content hub' section is active. The main area displays a list of solutions with filters for Status (All), Content type (All), and Support (All). The list includes solutions like Amazon Web Services, Analytics Health & Audit, Azure Active Directory, Azure Activity (selected), Cisco Umbrella, DNS Essentials, and Google Cloud Platform IAM. The 'Azure Activity' solution is highlighted, showing it is a 'Solution' from 'Microsoft' with 'Microsoft' support. On the right, a detailed view of the 'Azure Activity' solution is shown, including a description, a note about potential issues, and statistics: 12 Analytics rules, 1 Data connector, 14 Hunting queries, and 1 Workbook. A 'Manage' button is visible at the bottom of this panel.

Manage will open new page → select the content type as data connector → open connector page



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## Azure Activity

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28 Installed content items 12 Configuration needed

### Azure Activity

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Azure Activity <span>IN USE</span>	1 item	Data connector
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### Azure Activity

Connected Status Microsoft Provider Last Log Received

Last data received --

Content source Azure Activity Version 2.0.0

Author Microsoft Supported by Microsoft Corporation | Email

Data received

Go to log analytics

Open connector page

in order to connect with the data connector, you need to assign azure policy with owner role assigned to azure activity.

scroll to Launch Azure Policy Assignment wizard>

### Azure Activity

Checking... Status Microsoft Provider Last Log Received

Description

Azure Activity Log is a subscription log that provides insight into subscription-level events that occur in Azure, including events from Azure Resource Manager operational data, service health events, write operations taken on the resources in your subscription, and the status of activities performed in Azure.

Last data received --

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Related content

3 Workbooks 2 Queries 12 Analytics rules templates

Data received

Go to log analytics

### Instructions

- 1. Disconnect your subscriptions from the legacy method**  
The subscriptions listed below are still using the older, legacy method. You are strongly encouraged to upgrade to the new pipeline. To do this, click on the 'Disconnect All' button below, before proceeding to launch the Azure Policy Assignment wizard.

You don't have subscriptions using the legacy method, please move to step 2

Disconnect All

- 2. Connect your subscriptions through diagnostic settings new pipeline**  
This connector uses Azure Policy to apply a single Azure Subscription log-streaming configuration to a collection of subscriptions, defined as a scope. Follow the instructions below to create and apply a policy to all current and future subscriptions. **Note**, you may already have an active policy for this resource type.

Launch the Azure Policy Assignment wizard and follow the steps.

1. In the **Basics** tab, click the button with the three dots under **Scope** to select your resources assignment scope.
2. In the **Parameters** tab, choose your Microsoft Sentinel workspace from the **Log Analytics workspace** drop-down list, and leave marked as "True" all the log and metric types you want to ingest.
3. To apply the policy on your existing resources, select the **Remediation** tab and mark the **Create a remediation task** checkbox.

Launch Azure Policy Assignment wizard>

This will open assign policy wizard →

in the basic section select Scope → to you subscription.

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### Configure Azure Activity logs to stream to specified Log Analytics workspace

Assign policy

**Basics** Advanced Parameters Remediation Non-compliance messages Review + create

**Scope**  
Scope [Learn more about setting the scope \\*](#)

Exclusions  
Optionally select resources to exclude from the policy assignment.

**Basics**

Policy definition  
Configure Azure Activity logs to stream to specified Log Analytics workspace

Assignment name \* ⓘ  
Configure Azure Activity logs to stream to specified Log Analytics workspace

Description

Policy enforcement ⓘ  
**Enabled** Disabled

Assigned by

**Review + create** Cancel Previous Next

### Scope

Subscription  
Please choose a Subscription

Resource Group  
Optionally choose a Resource Group

Select Cancel Clear All Selections

In Parameter section select primary log analytics workspace

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## Configure Azure Activity logs to stream to specified Log Analytics workspace

Assign policy

[Basics](#) [Advanced](#) [Parameters](#) [Remediation](#) [Non-compliance messages](#) [Review + create](#)

Search by parameter name

☒ Only show parameters that need input or review

Primary Log Analytics workspace \* ⓘ

kavya-low

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leave rest as it is, click on Review and create

Once the policy is assigned, it will take couple of hours to reflect.

To check whether data connector is connected go to sentinel → content hub → installed → azure activity → manage → in content type select data connector → open.

[Home](#) > [Microsoft Sentinel](#) > [Microsoft Sentinel | Content hub](#) > [Azure Activity](#) >


## Data connectors

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Data Connector with "content source = gallery content" have been removed. All the removed content and more is available in content hub. [Click here](#) to reinstate in use.

 **1**  
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 **0**  
Connected

 More content at  
Content hub

Providers : All

Data Types : All

Status : All

Status Connector name ↑



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


if it is connected you will see green line below status.

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
Providers : All Data Types : All Status : All

Status	Connector name ↑
	<b>Azure Activity</b> Microsoft

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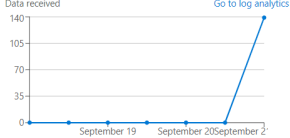
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Data received

Go to log analytics



AzureActivity

[Open connector page](#)

## Deploy Analytic rules

Analytic rule is a detection that will allow you to detect the suspicious activity. To configure any rule follow the below steps.

Go to sentinal → content-hub → search for “azure activity” → manage → select any analytic rule of your choice → configuration.

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**Azure Activity**

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**NRT Azure Active Directory Hybrid Health AD FS Ne**

Medium Severity Content Hub Content Source NRT Rule Type

Description

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A threat actor can create a new AD Health ADFS service and create a fake server instance to spoof AD FS signing logs. There is no need to compromise an on-premises AD FS server.

This can be done programmatically via HTTP requests to Azure. More information in this blog: <https://o365blog.com/post/hybridhealthagent/>

Tactics and techniques

Defense Evasion (1)

Rule query

AzureActivity

where CategoryValue == 'Administrative'

Note:

- You used this template to create analytics rules and can use it to create additional rules.

Configuration

Select the rule template → create rule

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Create Refresh Analytics workbooks Enable Disable Delete Import Export Guides & Feedback

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Rules by severity

High (1) Medium (0) Low (0) Informational (0)

Active rules Rule templates Anomalies

ec491363-5fe7-4eff-b68e-442dc769cf6 Add filter

Severity	Name	Rule type	Data sources	Tactics	Techniques	Source name
Medium	NRT Azure Active Directory Hybrid ...	NRT	Azure Activity	Defense Evasion	T1578	Azure Activity

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Data sources

Azure Activity

AzureActivity 9/26/2023, 4:19:15 PM

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Note:

- You haven't used this template yet; You can use it to create analytics rules.

Create rule

this will open new wizard.

go to Basic —> status → enabled → next: set rule logic

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## Analytics rule wizard - Create a new NRT rule ...

NRT Azure Active Directory Hybrid Health AD FS New Server

**General** Set rule logic Incident settings Automated response Review + create

Create an analytics rule that will run on your data to detect threats.

### Analytics rule details

Name \*

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Severity

Medium

Tactics and techniques (2)

Status



Enabled

[Next : Set rule logic >](#)

You can define the logic as per the need. For now i'm leaving to by default.

Review and create. —> save

## Analytics rule wizard - Create a new NRT rule

NRT Azure Active Directory Hybrid Health AD FS New Server


Validation passed.


General Set rule logic Incident settings Automated response **Review + create**

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T1578 - Modify Cloud Compute Infrastructure

Severity  Medium

Status  Enabled

### Analytics rule settings

Rule query AzureActivity | where CategoryValue == 'Administrative' | where ResourceProviderValue == 'Microsoft.ADHybridHealthService' | where \_Resourceid has 'AdFederationService' | where OperationNameValue == 'Microsoft.ADHybridHealthService/services/servicemembers/action' | extend claimsjson = parse\_json(Claims) | extend AppId = tostring(claimsjson.appid), AccountName = tostring(claimsjson.name), Name = tostring(split(Caller, '@')[0]), UPNSuffix = tostring(split(Caller, '@')[1][0]) | project-away claimsjson

Event grouping Group all events into a single alert

Suppression Not configured

### Entity mapping

Entity 1: Account  
Identifier: Name. Value: Name

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Save

We need to modify the alert query to get more accurate result.

## Create hunting rule.

hunting rule will proactively look for any anomalies in the workspace. We can configure the hunting rule by using workbooks as well as logic app flows

in this article we will be configuring hunting rule using workbooks.

in order to configure go to → sentinel → content hub → search for “azure activity” → manage → in content name → scroll down to end → you will find workbook called “Azure Activity”

Select the workbook → configuration

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Microsoft Sentinel Analytics Rules Administrative Operations	--	Hunting query
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Azure VM Run Command executed from Azure IP address	--	Hunting query
Granting permissions to account	--	Hunting query
Creation of an anomalous number of resources	--	Hunting query
Azure storage key enumeration	--	Hunting query
Microsoft Sentinel Workbooks Administrative Operations	--	Hunting query
AzureActivity Administration From VPS Providers	--	Hunting query
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Azure Activity	--	Workbook

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Gain extensive insight into your organization's Azure Activity by analyzing, and correlating all user operations and events. You can learn about all user operations, trends, and anomalous changes over time. This workbook gives you the ability to drill down into caller activities and summarize detected failure and warning events.

**Required data type**

AzureActivity --

**Relevant data connectors**

AzureActivity

**Content source**

Azure Activity

**Template version**

2.0.0

**Author**

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this will open new wizard select on save → region → yes

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AzureActivityWorkbook

Add filter

Name	Status	Source name
Azure Activity	--	Azure Activity

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Not saved

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It will take couple of minutes to reflect the data in workbook.



