


## 1. Microsoft Learn – Learning Paths (Free Official Training)


Microsoft provides guided, hands-on modules:

-  [Microsoft Learn](#): Prepare for AZ-104
- Includes step-by-step **learning paths** like:
  - Manage Azure identities and governance
  - Implement and manage storage
  - Deploy and manage Azure compute resources
  - Configure and manage virtual networking
  - Monitor and back up Azure resources


👉 These are interactive, with **sandbox labs** (you can practice directly in Azure, no credit card required for some parts).

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## 2. Official Exam Skills Outline (Must-Have)


-  [AZ-104 Skills Measured PDF](#)
  - Lists **exact topics and percentages** tested in the exam.
  - This is your "checklist" to ensure nothing is missed while studying.
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## 3. Microsoft Virtual Training Days (Free Instructor-Led Events)

-  [Microsoft Virtual Training Days](#)
- Free **live training sessions** from Microsoft trainers, often focused on **Azure fundamentals and administration**.
- Some events even include a **free exam voucher** 🎉 (worth ~\$165).


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#### 4. Microsoft Documentation (Deep Dive Reference)


-  [Azure Documentation](#)
- Best for **real-world configuration details**.
- When you get stuck on a concept (e.g., Azure AD roles, VNets, storage accounts), the docs give you **production-level guidance**.

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#### 5. Free Azure Account for Practice

-  [Azure Free Account](#)
- Get **\$200 free credit (first 30 days) + 12 months free tier** (B1S VM, storage, networking, etc.).
- Essential for practicing labs outside of course sandboxes.

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 If you mix these **free official resources** with your **paid course**, you'll be **over-prepared** for the exam.

Paid courses give you structure, but **Microsoft Learn + Practice Labs** = exam confidence.