

Completing the following steps helps you and other users in your organization get the most value from your data during the trial period. A little bit of time configuring ThoughtSpot has a big impact.

Before you start, review these talks to identify your ideal use case. The context helps you make account-related decisions and use ThoughtSpot effectively.

## ThoughtSpot Success Series

Defining a ThoughtSpot Use Case

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Use Case Prioritization

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We highly recommend that you register for the free ThoughtSpot U course that covers the material in this section, [Getting Started with ThoughtSpot Analytics Cloud](#).

## Step 1: Create a ThoughtSpot Community account

A ThoughtSpot Community account lets you ask questions in our product forums, explore best practices from other customers, sign up for events, and contact support.

[Create a Community account →](#)

## Step 2: Activate your ThoughtSpot Cloud account

We will send you an email that contains the administrator credentials to log in for the first time. Check your inbox, then click to access the free trial cluster. Stay logged in to complete the rest of the setup.

When you start using the ThoughtSpot Free Trial, you see the ThoughtSpot password verification checklist. Passwords must meet the following requirements:

8 or more characters.

1 uppercase letter, 1 lowercase letter, 1 number, and 1 special character.

No blocked words: username, display name, ....

Pass a complexity and uniqueness test by checking for known patterns and words. ThoughtSpot rejects a passwords that are not complex enough.

For more information, see the [Dropbox password library](#).

## Step 3: Connect to your data source

Completing this step lets all users in your organization perform live queries. Choose your cloud data warehouse type, and follow the connection instructions.

[Amazon Redshift →](#)  
[Azure Synapse →](#)  
[Databricks →](#)

[Google BigQuery →](#)  
[Oracle ADW →](#)  
[Snowflake →](#)

[Starburst →](#)  
[Upload flat data file \(CSV\) →](#)



## Step 4: Model your data for searches

ThoughtSpot automatically optimizes your data for search. It models and configures most details. However, we recommend that you adjust the modeling settings to align with your identified use cases, and improve the experience for other users.

[Data modeling →](#)

[Join tables →](#)

## Step 5: Create a worksheet

Worksheets make it easier for everyone in your organization to search data and create visualizations. Use the following step-by-step instructions to create your first worksheet.

[Create and use worksheets →](#)

## Step 6: Learn search essentials

After you finish creating worksheets, you are ready to search. Review the key concepts to get started, and how to help others in your organization become effective searchers.

[Search overview →](#)

[Understanding charts →](#)

[Keywords reference →](#)

[Understanding formulas in searches →](#)

## Step 7: Make a default pinboard

Pinboards are interactive collections of charts and tables. Set up a shared pinboard now, so everyone who joins your organization can access valuable information.

[Basic pinboard usage →](#)

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