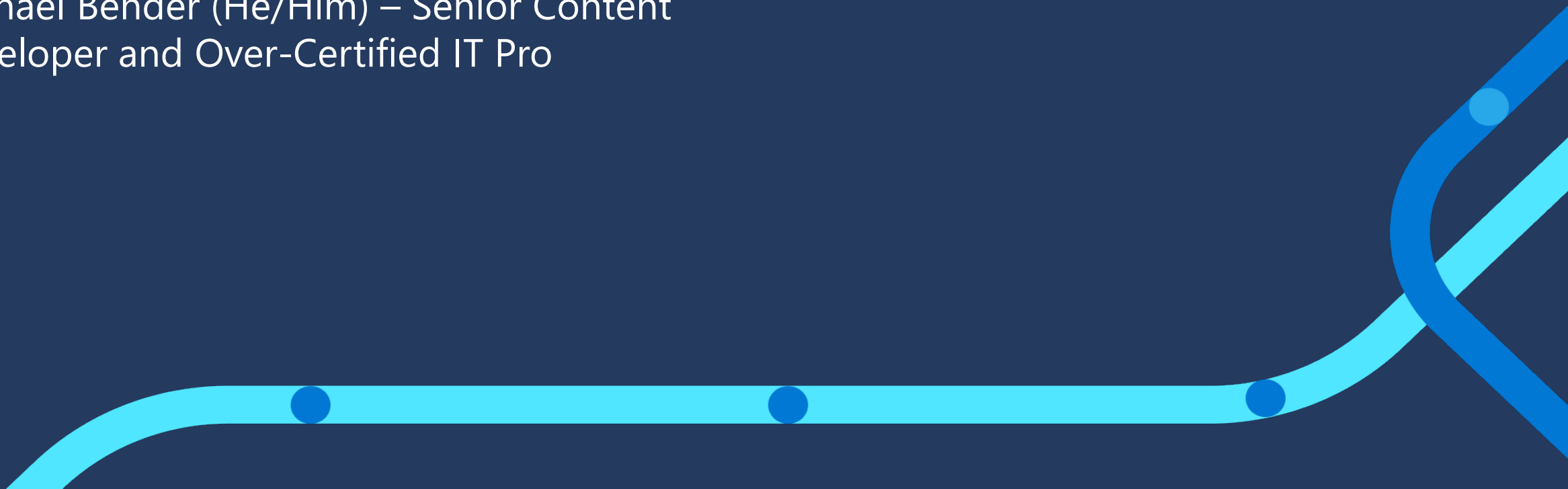




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# Let's Get Certified - A Guide to Microsoft Certification

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# Our values & top behavior examples

## Respect [at our best]

- Curious about others + their ideas
- Listen with empathy
- Seek to understand
- Treat people with dignity
- Look for common ground

## [not at our best]

- Criticize people for being different
- Shut people down
- Be defensive
- Shout, insult, or name-call
- Threaten or intimidate other

## Integrity [at our best]

- Stay true to our values + culture
- Pursue the right outcomes
- Speak the truth, with care
- Offer support when the truth is told
- Keep our word

## [not at our best]

- Violate policies or laws
- Misuse authority or power
- Be less than completely truthful
- Take credit that belongs to others
- Break our promises

## Accountability [at our best]

- Be responsible for results
- Respond to crises quickly
- Step in to help others
- Take initiative to make things better
- Learn from our mistakes

## [not at our best]

- Stand by without helping
- Look for excuses
- Allow issues to go unaddressed
- Consistently fail to improve and learn
- Don't admit mistakes

# Ground Rules

## Meetings

- ✓ Vary meeting time for our globally diverse team.
- ✓ Review pre-reads BEFORE call.
- ✓ **Record** (transcription + closed-captioning).
- ✓ Consider our values and behaviors.
- ✓ Support & amplify peers.
- ✓ **No acronyms**

## Facilitators

Moderator: Jamin Almond

Notetaker: Janet Thomas

## Chat

- ✓ **Q:** as preface to chat questions.
- ✓ **Note:** for action items + decisions
- ✓ **@** the person to whom you are responding.
- ✓ **No side convos.** Stay on topic.
- ✓ Avoid GIFs or provide text-based description.

## Voice



Raise your hand



State your name



Return to mute

# Agenda



- Why Get Certified?
- General Review of How We Do Certifications
- Tools to get you started
- Make a plan and go

# Why should I get Certified?





## Benefits

- Practice being a 'Learn.It.All'
- Broaden your knowledge of our products
- Understand what we expect our customers to know
- Discover gaps in our coverage of topics
- Walk in our Customer's Shoes

# Our Certs are based on Jobs People Do

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## Microsoft Certifications

Earn certifications that show you are keeping pace with today's technical roles and requirements. Select a job role to discover certification paths.

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### Developer

Developers design, build, test, and maintain cloud solutions.



### Administrator

Administrators implement, monitor, and maintain Microsoft solutions.



### Solution Architect

Solutions architects have expertise in compute, network, storage, security.



### Data Engineer

Data engineers design and implement the management, monitoring, security, and privacy of data using the full stack of data services.



### Data Scientist

Data scientists apply machine learning techniques to train, evaluate, and deploy models that solve business problems.



### AI Engineer

AI engineers use Cognitive Services, Machine Learning, and Knowledge Mining to architect and implement Microsoft AI solutions.



### DevOps Engineer

DevOps engineers combine people, process, and technologies to continuously deliver valuable products and services that meet end user needs and business objectives.



### Security Engineer

Security engineers implement security controls and threat protection, manage identity and access, and protect data, applications, and networks.



### Functional Consultant

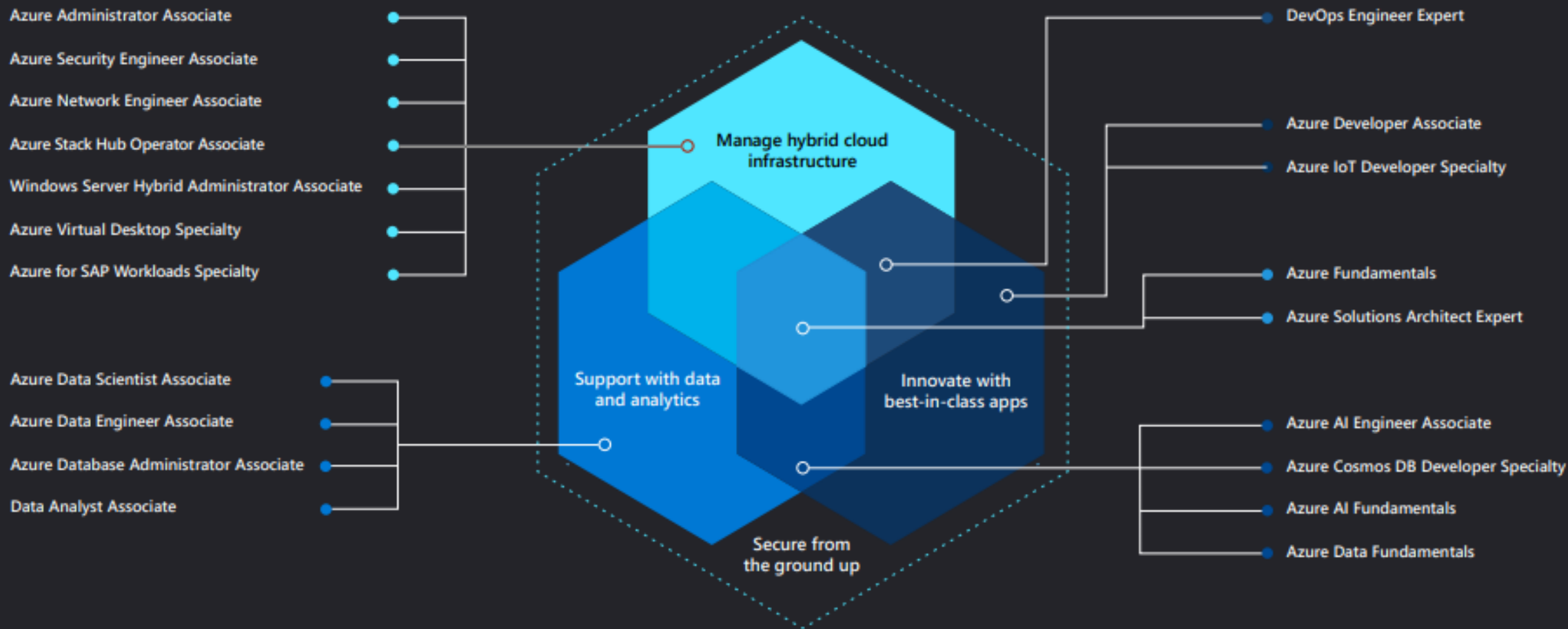
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# Exam Make-up

- Written questions
  - Multiple Choice/Answer
  - Scenario-Based
  - Fill in the Blank/Drag and Drop
- Hands-on questions
  - Recently added back in
  - Perform a specific test in an Azure environment
- Pass/fail based on a calculation of points across all questions

# How Do You Get Started



# 4-Steps to Cert Success



Choose a  
path



Acquire knowledge



Get hands-on  
experience



Prove your  
skills

Pick a Certification a  
[Docs.Microsoft.com/Certifications](https://docs.microsoft.com/certifications)

# Find Resources and Begin Your Learning Journey

[Azure Certification Resources on GitHub](#)



# Next Steps

- Find a Cert you want to take
- Sign Up!
- Study!







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# Q&A



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# Resources

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Thank you