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10 - Create a VM with PowerShell

In this walk-through, we will configure the Cloud Shell, use Azure PowerShell module to create a resource group and virtual machine, and review Azure Advisor recommendations.

Task 1: Configure the Cloud Shell

In this task, we will configure Cloud Shell.

- 1. Sign in to the Azure portal.
- 2. From the Azure portal, open the Azure Cloud Shell by clicking on the icon in the top right of the Azure Portal.

- 3. If you have previously used the Cloud Shell, proceed to the next task.
- 4. When prompted to select either Bash or PowerShell, select PowerShell.
- 5. When prompted, click Create storage, and wait for the Azure Cloud Shell to initialize.

Task 2: Create a resource group and virtual machine

In this task, we will use PowerShell to create a resource group and a virtual machine.

- 1. Ensure PowerShell is selected in the upper-left drop-down menu of the Cloud Shell pane.
- 2. In the PowerShell session, within the Cloud Shell pane, create a new resource group.

```
New-AzResourceGroup -Name myRGPS -Location EastUS
```

3. Verify your new resource group.

```
Get-AzResourceGroup | Format-Table
```

4. Create a virtual machine. When prompted provide the username (azureuser) and the password (Pa\$\$w0rd1234) that will be configured as the local Administrator account on that virtual machines. Ensure that you include the tick (`) characters at the end of each line except for the last one (there should not be any tick characters if you type entire command on a single line).

```
New-AzVm
-ResourceGroupName "myRGPS"
-Name "myVMPS"
-Location "East US"
-VirtualNetworkName "myVnetPS"
-SubnetName "mySubnetPS"
-SecurityGroupName "myNSGPS"
-PublicIpAddressName "myPublicIpPS"
```

- ** Wait for VM to deploy before closing PowerShell
- 5. Close the PowerShell session Cloud Shell pane.
- 6. In the Azure portal, search for Virtual machines and verify the myVMPS is running. This may take a few minutes.

7. Access the new virtual machine and review the Overview and Networking settings to verify your information was correctly deployed.

Task 3: Execute commands in the Cloud Shell

In this task, we will practice executing PowerShell commands from the Cloud Shell.

- 1. From the Azure portal, open the Azure Cloud Shell by clicking on the icon in the top right of the Azure Portal.
- 2. Ensure PowerShell is selected in the upper-left drop-down menu of the Cloud Shell pane.
- 3. Retrieve information about your virtual machine including name, resource group, location, and status. Notice the PowerState is **running**.

```
Get-AzVM -name myVMPS -status | Format-Table -autosize
```

4. Stop the virtual machine. When prompted confirm (Yes) to the action.

```
Stop-AzVM -ResourceGroupName myRGPS -Name myVMPS
```

5. Verify your virtual machine state. The PowerState should now be **deallocated**. You can also verify the virtual machine status in the portal.

```
Get-AzVM -name myVMPS -status | Format-Table -autosize
```

Task 4: Review Azure Advisor Recommendations

Note: This same task is in the Create a VM with Azure CLI lab.

In this task, we will review Azure Advisor recommendations for our virtual machine.

- 1. From the All services blade, search for and select Advisor.
- 2. On the Advisor blade, select Overview. Notice recommendations are grouped by High Availability, Security, Performance, and Cost.

3. Select **All recommendations** and take time to view each recommendation and suggested actions.

Note: Depending on your resources, your recommendations will be different.

- 4. Notice that you can download the recommendations as a CSV or PDF file.
- 5. Notice that you can create alerts.
- 6. If you have time, continue to experiment with Azure PowerShell.

Congratulations! You have configured Cloud Shell, created a virtual machine using PowerShell, practiced with PowerShell commands, and viewed Advisor recommendations.

Note: To avoid additional costs, you can remove this resource group. Search for resource groups, click your resource group, and then click **Delete resource group**. Verify the name of the resource group and then click**Delete**. Monitor the **Notifications** to see how the delete is proceeding.