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Practice Enough With These 150 Questions for the CKAD Exam

Exercises get you ready for the Certified Kubernetes Application Developer exam



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Kubernetes is an open-source system for automating deployment, scaling, and management of containerized applications. The CNCF/Linux Foundation offers this performance-based exam which targets the developer aspect of kubernetes skills such as deploying apps, configuring apps, rolling out the application, creating persistent volumes, etc.

Since this exam is performance-based rather than just multiple choice questions just knowing the concepts are not enough, we need a lot of practice before the exam. This article helps you understand, practice and get you ready for the exam.

We are not going to discuss any concepts here, rather, I just want to create a bunch of practice questions for the CKAD exam based on the curriculum provided [here](#).

- *Core Concepts (13%)*
- *Multi-Container Pods (10%)*
- *Pod Design (20%)*
- *State Persistence (8%)*
- *Configuration (18%)*
- *Observability (18%)*
- *Services and Networking (13%)*

Core Concepts (13%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand Kubernetes API Primitives
- Create and Configure Basic Pods

1. *List all the namespaces in the cluster*

```
kubectl get namespaces
```

```
kubectl get ns
```

2. List all the pods in all namespaces

```
kubectl get po --all-namespaces
```

3. List all the pods in the particular namespace

```
kubectl get po -n <namespace name>
```

4. List all the services in the particular namespace

```
kubectl get svc -n <namespace name>
```

5. List all the pods showing name and namespace with a json path expression

```
kubectl get pods -o=jsonpath="{.items[*]['metadata.name',  
'metadata.namespace']}"
```

6. Create an nginx pod in a default namespace and verify the pod running

```
// creating a pod  
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never
```

```
// List the pod  
kubectl get po
```

7. Create the same nginx pod with a yaml file

```
// get the yaml file with --dry-run flag
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx-pod.yaml

// cat nginx-pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
  labels:
    run: nginx
  name: nginx
spec:
  containers:
  - image: nginx
    name: nginx
    resources: {}
  dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
  restartPolicy: Never
status: {}

// create a pod
kubectl create -f nginx-pod.yaml
```

8. Output the yaml file of the pod you just created

```
kubectl get po nginx -o yaml
```

9. Output the yaml file of the pod you just created without the cluster-specific information

```
kubectl get po nginx -o yaml --export
```

10. Get the complete details of the pod you just created

```
kubectl describe pod nginx
```

11. Delete the pod you just created

```
kubectl delete po nginx
```

```
kubectl delete -f nginx-pod.yaml
```

12. Delete the pod you just created without any delay (force delete)

```
kubectl delete po nginx --grace-period=0 --force
```

13. Create the nginx pod with version 1.17.4 and expose it on port 80

```
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx:1.17.4 --restart=Never --  
port=80
```

14. Change the Image version to 1.15-alpine for the pod you just created and verify the image version is updated

```
kubectl set image pod/nginx nginx=nginx:1.15-alpine
```

```
kubectl describe po nginx
```

```
// another way it will open vi editor and change the version  
kubectlt edit po nginx
```

```
kubectl describe po nginx
```

15. Change the Image version back to 1.17.1 for the pod you just updated and observe the changes

```
kubectl set image pod/nginx nginx=nginx:1.17.1
kubectl describe po nginx
kubectl get po nginx -w # watch it
```

16. Check the Image version without the describe command

```
kubectl get po nginx -o jsonpath='{.spec.containers[].image}
{"\n"}'
```

17. Create the nginx pod and execute the simple shell on the pod

```
// creating a pod
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never

// exec into the pod
kubectl exec -it nginx /bin/sh
```

18. Get the IP Address of the pod you just created

```
kubectl get po nginx -o wide
```

19. Create a busybox pod and run command ls while creating it and check the logs

```
kubectl run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never -- ls
```

```
kubectl logs busybox
```

20. If pod crashed check the previous logs of the pod

```
kubectl logs busybox -p
```

21. Create a busybox pod with command sleep 3600

```
kubectl run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never -- /bin/sh  
-c "sleep 3600"
```

22. Check the connection of the nginx pod from the busybox pod

```
kubectl get po nginx -o wide  
  
// check the connection  
kubectl exec -it busybox -- wget -o- <IP Address>
```

23. Create a busybox pod and echo message 'How are you' and delete it manually

```
kubectl run busybox --image=nginx --restart=Never -it -- echo  
"How are you"  
  
kubectl delete po busybox
```

24. Create a busybox pod and echo message 'How are you' and have it deleted immediately

```
// notice the --rm flag
kubectl run busybox --image=nginx --restart=Never -it --rm --
echo "How are you"
```

25. Create an nginx pod and list the pod with different levels of verbosity

```
// create a pod
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80

// List the pod with different verbosity
kubectl get po nginx --v=7
kubectl get po nginx --v=8
kubectl get po nginx --v=9
```

26. List the nginx pod with custom columns POD_NAME and POD_STATUS

```
kubectl get po -o=custom-columns="POD_NAME:.metadata.name,
POD_STATUS:.status.containerStatuses[].state"
```

27. List all the pods sorted by name

```
kubectl get pods --sort-by=.metadata.name
```

28. List all the pods sorted by created timestamp

```
kubectl get pods--sort-by=.metadata.creationTimestamp
```

Multi-Container Pods (10%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand multi-container pod design patterns (eg: ambassador, adaptor, sidecar)

29. Create a Pod with three busy box containers with commands “ls; sleep 3600;”, “echo Hello World; sleep 3600;” and “echo this is the third container; sleep 3600” respectively and check the status

```
// first create single container pod with dry run flag
```

```
kubect1 run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never --dry-run  
-o yaml -- bin/sh -c "sleep 3600; ls" > multi-container.yaml
```

```
// edit the pod to following yaml and create it  
kubect1 create -f multi-container.yaml
```

```
kubect1 get po busybox
```

multi-container pod

30. Check the logs of each container that you just created

```
kubectl logs busybox -c busybox1
kubectl logs busybox -c busybox2
kubectl logs busybox -c busybox3
```

31. Check the previous logs of the second container busybox2 if any

```
kubectl logs busybox -c busybox2 --previous
```

32. Run command ls in the third container busybox3 of the above pod

```
kubectl exec busybox -c busybox3 -- ls
```

33. Show metrics of the above pod containers and puts them into the file.log and verify

```
kubectl top pod busybox --containers
```

```
// putting them into file
kubectrl top pod busybox --containers > file.log
cat file.log
```

34. Create a Pod with main container busybox and which executes this “while true; do echo ‘Hi I am from Main container’ >> /var/log/index.html; sleep 5; done” and with sidecar container with nginx image which exposes on port 80. Use emptyDir Volume and mount this volume on path /var/log for busybox and on path /usr/share/nginx/html for nginx container. Verify both containers are running.

```
// create an initial yaml file with this
kubectrl run multi-cont-pod --image=busbox --restart=Never --
dry-run -o yaml > multi-container.yaml
```

```
// edit the yml as below and create it
kubectrl create -f multi-container.yaml
```

```
kubectrl get po multi-cont-pod
```

multi-container.yaml

35. Exec into both containers and verify that main.txt exist and query the main.txt from sidecar container with `curl localhost`

```
// exec into main container
kubectl exec -it multi-cont-pod -c main-container -- sh
cat /var/log/main.txt

// exec into sidecar container
kubectl exec -it multi-cont-pod -c sidecar-container -- sh
cat /usr/share/nginx/html/index.html

// install curl and get default page
kubectl exec -it multi-cont-pod -c sidecar-container -- sh
# apt-get update && apt-get install -y curl
# curl localhost
```

Pod Design (20%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand how to use Labels, Selectors and Annotations
- Understand Deployments and how to perform rolling updates
- Understand Deployments and how to perform rollbacks
- Understand Jobs and CronJobs

36. Get the pods with label information

```
kubectl get pods --show-labels
```

37. Create 5 nginx pods in which two of them is labeled env=prod and three of them is labeled env=dev

```
kubectl run nginx-dev1 --image=nginx --restart=Never --  
labels=env=dev  
kubectl run nginx-dev2 --image=nginx --restart=Never --  
labels=env=dev  
kubectl run nginx-dev3 --image=nginx --restart=Never --  
labels=env=dev  
  
kubectl run nginx-prod1 --image=nginx --restart=Never --  
labels=env=prod  
kubectl run nginx-prod2 --image=nginx --restart=Never --  
labels=env=prod
```

38. Verify all the pods are created with correct labels

```
kubectlt get pods --show-labels
```

39. Get the pods with label env=dev

```
kubectl get pods -l env=dev
```

40. Get the pods with label env=dev and also output the labels

```
kubectl get pods -l env=dev --show-labels
```

41. Get the pods with label env=prod

```
kubectl get pods -l env=prod
```

42. Get the pods with label env=prod and also output the labels

```
kubectl get pods -l env=prod --show-labels
```

43. Get the pods with label env

```
kubectl get pods -L env
```

44. Get the pods with labels env=dev and env=prod

```
kubectl get pods -l 'env in (dev,prod)'
```

45. Get the pods with labels env=dev and env=prod and output the labels as well

```
kubectl get pods -l 'env in (dev,prod)' --show-labels
```

46. Change the label for one of the pod to env=uat and list all the pods to verify

```
kubectl label pod/nginx-dev3 env=uat --overwrite  
kubectl get pods --show-labels
```

47. Remove the labels for the pods that we created now and verify all the labels are removed

```
kubectl label pod nginx-dev{1..3} env-  
kubectl label pod nginx-prod{1..2} env-  
  
kubectl get po --show-labels
```

48. Let's add the label app=nginx for all the pods and verify

```
kubectl label pod nginx-dev{1..3} app=nginx  
kubectl label pod nginx-prod{1..2} app=nginx  
  
kubectl get po --show-labels
```

49. Get all the nodes with labels (if using minikube you would get only master node)

```
kubectl get nodes --show-labels
```

50. Label the node (minikube if you are using) nodeName=nginxnode

```
kubectl label node minikube nodeName=nginxnode
```

***51. Create a Pod that will be deployed on this node with the label
nodeName=nginxnode***

```
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o  
yaml > pod.yaml
```

```
// add the nodeSelector like below and create the pod  
kubectl create -f pod.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1  
2  kind: Pod  
3  metadata:  
4    creationTimestamp: null  
5    labels:  
6      run: nginx  
7    name: nginx  
8  spec:  
9    nodeSelector:  
10     nodeName: nginxnode  
11   containers:  
12   - image: nginx  
13     name: nginx  
14     resources: {}  
15   dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst  
16   restartPolicy: Never  
17  status: {}
```

pod.yaml

52. Verify the pod that it is scheduled with the node selector

```
kubectl describe po nginx | grep Node-Selectors
```


53. Verify the pod nginx that we just created has this label

```
kubectl describe po nginx | grep Labels
```

54. Annotate the pods with name=webapp

```
kubectl annotate pod nginx-dev{1..3} name=webapp  
kubectl annotate pod nginx-prod{1..2} name=webapp
```

55. Verify the pods that have been annotated correctly

```
kubectl describe po nginx-dev{1..3} | grep -i annotations  
kubectl describe po nginx-prod{1..2} | grep -i annotations
```

56. Remove the annotations on the pods and verify

```
kubectl annotate pod nginx-dev{1..3} name-  
kubectl annotate pod nginx-prod{1..2} name-  
  
kubectl describe po nginx-dev{1..3} | grep -i annotations  
kubectl describe po nginx-prod{1..2} | grep -i annotations
```

57. Remove all the pods that we created so far

```
kubectl delete po --all
```

58. Create a deployment called webapp with image nginx with 5 replicas

```
kubectl create deploy webapp --image=nginx --dry-run -o yaml >
webapp.yaml
```

```
// change the replicas to 5 in the yaml and create it
kubectl create -f webapp.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: apps/v1
2  kind: Deployment
3  metadata:
4  apiVersion: apps/v1
5  kind: Deployment
6  metadata:
7  name: webapp
8  namespace: default
9  labels:
10 replicas: 5
11 selector:
12 specMatchLabels:
13   container: webapp
14 strategy: {}
15 template:
16   metadata:
17     - iscsi: sleep 3600
18     image: busybox
19     name: busybox
20     resources: {}
21   - argo: containers:
22     - bin: nginx
23     - -c: nginx
24     - echo: this is second container; sleep 3600
25   status: {}
26   name: busybox2
27   resources: {}
28   args:
29     - bin/sh
30     - -c
31     - echo this is third container; sleep 3600
32   image: busybox
33   name: busybox3
34   resources: {}
35   deployment: ClusterFirst
```

59. Get the deployment you just created with labels

```
1  kubectl get deploy webapp --show-labels
2  name: busybox2
3  namespace: default
4  labels:
5  replicas: 5
6  selector:
7  specMatchLabels:
8   container: webapp
9  strategy: {}
10 template:
11   metadata:
12     - iscsi: sleep 3600
13     image: busybox
14     name: busybox
15     resources: {}
16   - argo: containers:
17     - bin: nginx
18     - -c: nginx
19     - echo: this is second container; sleep 3600
20   status: {}
21   name: busybox2
22   resources: {}
23   args:
24     - bin/sh
25     - -c
26     - echo this is third container; sleep 3600
27   image: busybox
28   name: busybox3
29   resources: {}
30   deployment: ClusterFirst
```

60. Output the yaml file of the deployment you just created

```
kubectl get deploy webapp -o yaml
```

61. Get the pods of this deployment

```
// get the label of the deployment  
kubectl get deploy --show-labels
```

```
// get the pods with that label  
kubectl get pods -l app=webapp
```

62. Scale the deployment from 5 replicas to 20 replicas and verify

```
kubectl scale deploy webapp --replicas=20
```

```
kubectl get po -l app=webapp
```

63. Get the deployment rollout status

```
kubectl rollout status deploy webapp
```

64. Get the replicaset that created with this deployment

```
kubectl get rs -l app=webapp
```

65. Get the yaml of the replicaset and pods of this deployment

```
kubectl get rs -l app=webapp -o yaml
kubectl get po -l app=webapp -o yaml
```

66. Delete the deployment you just created and watch all the pods are also being deleted

```
kubectl delete deploy webapp

kubectl get po -l app=webapp -w
```

67. Create a deployment of webapp with image nginx:1.17.1 with container port 80 and verify the image version

```
kubectl create deploy webapp --image=nginx:1.17.1 --dry-run -o
yaml > webapp.yaml

// add the port section and create the deployment
kubectl create -f webapp.yaml

// verify
kubectl describe deploy webapp | grep Image
```

webapp.yaml

68. Update the deployment with the image version 1.17.4 and verify

```
kubectl set image deploy/webapp nginx=nginx:1.17.4
```

```
kubectl describe deploy webapp | grep Image
```

69. Check the rollout history and make sure everything is ok after the update

```
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp
```

```
kubectl get deploy webapp --show-labels
```

```
kubectl get rs -l app=webapp
```

```
kubectl get po -l app=webapp
```

70. Undo the deployment to the previous version 1.17.1 and verify Image has the previous version

```
kubectl rollout undo deploy webapp
```

```
kubectl describe deploy webapp | grep Image
```

71. Update the deployment with the image version 1.16.1 and verify the image and also check the rollout history

```
kubectl set image deploy/webapp nginx=nginx:1.16.1
```

```
kubectl describe deploy webapp | grep Image
```

```
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp
```

72. Update the deployment to the Image 1.17.1 and verify everything is ok

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6    run: multi-cont-pod
7  name: multi-cont-pod
8  spec:
9    volumes:
10   - name: var-logs
11     emptyDir: {}
```

73. Update the deployment with the wrong image version 1.100 and verify something is wrong with the deployment

```
13   - image: busybox
14     command: ["/bin/sh"]
15     args: ["-c", "while true; do echo 'Hi I am from Main container' >> /var/log/index.ht"]
16     name: main-container
17   resources: {}
18   volumeMounts:
19     name: var-logs (ImagePullErr)
20     mountPath: /var/log
21   - image: nginx
22     name: sidecar-container
```

74. Undo the deployment with the previous version and verify everything is

```
Ok
23   resources: {}
24   ports:
25     - containerPort: 80
26   volumeMounts:
```

```
kubectl rollout undo deploy webapp  
kubectl rollout status deploy webapp
```

```
kubectl get pods
```

75. Check the history of the specific revision of that deployment

```
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp --revision=7
```

76. Pause the rollout of the deployment

```
kubectl rollout pause deploy webapp
```

77. Update the deployment with the image version latest and check the history and verify nothing is going on

```
kubectl set image deploy/webapp nginx=nginx:latest  
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp (No new revision)
```

78. Resume the rollout of the deployment

```
kubectl rollout resume deploy webapp
```

79. Check the rollout history and verify it has the new version

```
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp
```

```
kubectl rollout history deploy webapp --revision=9
```

80. Apply the autoscaling to this deployment with minimum 10 and maximum 20 replicas and target CPU of 85% and verify hpa is created and replicas are increased to 10 from 1

```
kubectl autoscale deploy webapp --min=10 --max=20 --cpu-percent=85
```

```
kubectl get hpa
```

```
kubectl get pod -l app=webapp
```

81. Clean the cluster by deleting deployment and hpa you just created

```
kubectl delete deploy webapp
```

```
kubectl delete hpa webapp
```

82. Create a Job with an image node which prints node version and also verifies there is a pod created for this job

```
kubectl create job nodeversion --image=node -- node -v
```

```
kubectl get job -w
```

```
kubectl get pod
```

83. Get the logs of the job just created

```
kubectl logs <pod name> // created from the job
```


84. Output the yaml file for the Job with the image busybox which echos “Hello I am from job”

```
kubect1 create job hello-job --image=busybox --dry-run -o yaml  
-- echo "Hello I am from job"
```

85. Copy the above YAML file to hello-job.yaml file and create the job

```
kubect1 create job hello-job --image=busybox --dry-run -o yaml  
-- echo "Hello I am from job" > hello-job.yaml
```

```
kubect1 create -f hello-job.yaml
```

86. Verify the job and the associated pod is created and check the logs as well

```
kubect1 get job  
kubect1 get po
```

```
kubect1 logs hello-job-*
```

87. Delete the job we just created

```
kubect1 delete job hello-job
```

88. Create the same job and make it run 10 times one after one

```
kubect1 create job hello-job --image=busybox --dry-run -o yaml  
-- echo "Hello I am from job" > hello-job.yaml
```

```
// edit the yaml file to add completions: 10
kubectl create -f hello-job.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: batch/v1
2  kind: Job
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    name: hello-job
6  spec:
7    completions: 10
8    template:
9      metadata:
10       creationTimestamp: null
11      spec:
12        containers:
13        - command:
14            - echo
15            - Hello I am from job
16          image: busybox
17          name: hello-job
18          resources: {}
19          restartPolicy: Never
20  status: {}
```

hello-job.yaml

89. Watch the job that runs 10 times one by one and verify 10 pods are created and delete those after it's completed

```
kubectl get job -w
kubectl get po
```

```
kubectl delete job hello-job
```

90. Create the same job and make it run 10 times parallel

```
kubectl create job hello-job --image=busybox --dry-run -o yaml  
-- echo "Hello I am from job" > hello-job.yaml
```

```
// edit the yaml file to add parallelism: 10  
kubectl create -f hello-job.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: batch/v1  
2  kind: Job  
3  metadata:  
4    creationTimestamp: null  
5    name: hello-job  
6  spec:  
7    parallelism: 10  
8    template:  
9      metadata:  
10       creationTimestamp: null  
11      spec:  
12        containers:  
13        - command:  
14          - echo  
15          - Hello I am from job  
16          image: busybox  
17          name: hello-job  
18          resources: {}  
19          restartPolicy: Never  
20  status: {}
```

hello-job.yaml

91. Watch the job that runs 10 times parallelly and verify 10 pods are created and delete those after it's completed

```
kubectl get job -w  
kubectl get po
```

```
kubectl delete job hello-job
```

92. Create a Cronjob with busybox image that prints date and hello from kubernetes cluster message for every minute

```
kubectl create cronjob date-job --image=busybox --
schedule="*/1 * * * *" -- bin/sh -c "date; echo Hello from
kubernetes cluster"
```

93. Output the YAML file of the above cronjob

```
kubectl get cj date-job -o yaml
```

94. Verify that CronJob creating a separate job and pods for every minute to run and verify the logs of the pod

```
kubectl get job
kubectl get po

kubectl logs date-job-<jobid>-<pod>
```

95. Delete the CronJob and verify all the associated jobs and pods are also deleted.

```
kubectl delete cj date-job
```

```
// verify pods and jobs
```

```
1 kubectl get po
2 kubectl get job
3 metadata:
4   creationTimestamp: null
5   labels:
6     app: webapp
7   name: webapp
8   namespace: default
```

State Persistence (8%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand PersistentVolumeClaims for Storage

96. List Persistent Volumes in the cluster

```
kubectl get pv
```

97. Create a hostPath PersistentVolume named task-pv-volume with storage 10Gi, access modes ReadWriteOnce, storageClassName manual, and volume at /mnt/data and verify

```
kubectl create -f task-pv-volume.yaml
```

```
kubectl get pv
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: PersistentVolume
3  metadata:
4    name: task-pv-volume
5    labels:
6      type: local
7  spec:
8    storageClassName: manual
9    capacity:
10     storage: 10Gi
11    accessModes:
12     - ReadWriteOnce
13    hostPath:
14     path: "/mnt/data"
```

task-pv-volume.yaml

98. Create a PersistentVolumeClaim of at least 3Gi storage and access mode ReadWriteOnce and verify status is Bound

```
kubectl create -f task-pv-claim.yaml
```

```
kubectl get pvc
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
3  metadata:
4    name: task-pv-claim
5  spec:
6    storageClassName: manual
7    accessModes:
8      - ReadWriteOnce
9    resources:
10     requests:
11       storage: 3Gi
```

--

task-pv-claim.yaml

99. Delete persistent volume and PersistentVolumeClaim we just created

```
kubectl delete pvc task-pv-claim
```

```
kubectl delete pv task-pv-volume
```

100. Create a Pod with an image Redis and configure a volume that lasts for the lifetime of the Pod

```
// emptyDir is the volume that lasts for the life of the pod
```

```
kubectl create -f redis-storage.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    name: redis
5  spec:
6    containers:
7    - name: redis
8      image: redis
9      volumeMounts:
10     - name: redis-storage
11       mountPath: /data/redis
12    volumes:
13    - name: redis-storage
14      emptyDir: {}
```

101. Exec into the above pod and create a file named file.txt with the text 'This is called the file' in the path /data/redis and open another tab and exec again with the same pod and verifies file exist in the same path.

```
// first terminal
kubectl exec -it redis-storage /bin/sh
cd /data/redis
echo 'This is called the file' > file.txt

//open another tab
kubectl exec -it redis-storage /bin/sh
cat /data/redis/file.txt
```

102. Delete the above pod and create again from the same yaml file and verifies there is no file.txt in the path /data/redis

```
kubectl delete pod redis

kubectl create -f redis-storage.yaml
kubectl exec -it redis-storage /bin/sh
cat /data/redis/file.txt // file doesn't exist
```

103. Create PersistentVolume named task-pv-volume with storage 10Gi, access modes ReadWriteOnce, storageClassName manual, and volume at /mnt/data and Create a PersistentVolumeClaim of at least 3Gi storage and access mode ReadWriteOnce and verify status is Bound

```
kubectl create -f task-pv-volume.yaml  
kubectl create -f task-pv-claim.yaml
```

```
kubectl get pv  
kubectl get pvc
```

***104. Create an nginx pod with containerPort 80 and with a PersistentVolumeClaim task-pv-claim and has a mount path
"/usr/share/nginx/html"***

```
kubectl create -f task-pv-pod.yaml
```


Configuration (18%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand ConfigMaps
- Understand SecurityContexts
- Define an application's resource requirements
- Create & Consume Secrets
- Understand ServiceAccounts

105. List all the configmaps in the cluster

```
kubectl get cm  
or  
kubectl get configmap
```

***106. Create a configmap called myconfigmap with literal value
appname=myapp***

```
kubectl create cm myconfigmap --from-literal=appname=myapp
```

107. Verify the configmap we just created has this data

```
// you will see under data
```

```
kubectl get cm -o yaml  
or  
kubectl describe cm
```

108. delete the configmap myconfigmap we just created

```
kubectl delete cm myconfigmap
```

109. Create a file called config.txt with two values key1=value1 and key2=value2 and verify the file

```
cat >> config.txt << EOF  
key1=value1  
key2=value2  
EOF  
  
cat config.txt
```

110. Create a configmap named keyvalcfgmap and read data from the file config.txt and verify that configmap is created correctly

```
kubectl create cm keyvalcfgmap --from-file=config.txt  
  
kubectl get cm keyvalcfgmap -o yaml
```

111. Create an nginx pod and load environment values from the above configmap keyvalcfgmap and exec into the pod and verify the environment variables and delete the pod

```
// first run this command to save the pod yml
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx-pod.yml

// edit the yml to below file and create
kubectl create -f nginx-pod.yml

// verify
kubectl exec -it nginx -- env

kubectl delete po nginx
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    containers:
10   - image: nginx
11     name: nginx
12     resources: {}
13     envFrom:
14     - configMapRef:
15       name: keyvalcfgmap
16   dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
17   restartPolicy: Never
18  status: {}
```

nginx-pod.yml

112. Create an env file file.env with var1=val1 and create a configmap envcfgmap from this env file and verify the configmap

```
echo var1=val1 > file.env
cat file.env
```

```
kubectl create cm envcfgmap --from-env-file=file.env
kubectl get cm envcfgmap -o yaml --export
```

113. Create an nginx pod and load environment values from the above configmap envcfgmap and exec into the pod and verify the environment variables and delete the pod

```
// first run this command to save the pod yaml
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx-pod.yaml

// edit the yaml to below file and create
kubectl create -f nginx-pod.yaml

// verify
kubectl exec -it nginx -- env

kubectl delete po nginx
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    name: task-pv-pod
5  spec:
6    volumes:
7      - name: task-pv-storage
8        persistentVolumeClaim:
9          claimName: task-pv-claim
10   containers:
11     - name: task-pv-container
12       image: nginx
13       ports:
14         - containerPort: 80
15           name: "http-server"
16       volumeMounts:
17         - mountPath: "/usr/share/nginx/html"
```

nginx-pod.yaml

114. Create a configmap called cfgvolume with values var1=val1, var2=val2 and create an nginx pod with volume nginx-volume which reads data from this configmap cfgvolume and put it on the path /etc/cfg

```
// first create a configmap cfgvolume
kubectl create cm cfgvolume --from-literal=var1=val1 --from-
literal=var2=val2

// verify the configmap
kubectl describe cm cfgvolume

// create the config map
kubectl create -f nginx-volume.yml

// exec into the pod
kubectl exec -it nginx -- /bin/sh

// check the path
cd /etc/cfg
ls
```

nginx-volume.yml

115. Create a pod called secbusybox with the image busybox which executes command sleep 3600 and makes sure any Containers in the Pod, all processes run with user ID 1000 and with group id 2000 and verify.

```
// create yml file with dry-run
kubectl run secbusybox --image=busybox --restart=Never --dry-run -o yaml -- /bin/sh -c "sleep 3600;" > busybox.yml
```

```
// edit the pod like below and create
kubectl create -f busybox.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectl exec -it secbusybox -- sh
id // it will show the id and group
```

busybox.yml

116. Create the same pod as above this time set the securityContext for the container as well and verify that the securityContext of container overrides the Pod level securityContext.

```
// create yml file with dry-run
kubectl run secbusybox --image=busybox --restart=Never --dry-run -o yaml -- /bin/sh -c "sleep 3600;" > busybox.yml
```

```
// edit the pod like below and create
kubectl create -f busybox.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectl exec -it secbusybox -- sh
id // you can see container securityContext overrides the Pod level
```

busybox.yml

117. Create pod with an nginx image and configure the pod with capabilities
NET_ADMIN and SYS_TIME verify the capabilities

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  // create the yaml file
4  metadata:
5    creationTimestamp: null
6  labels:
7    run: nginx
8  // edit below and create pod
9  spec:
10 // exec and verify
11 containers:
12 - image: nginx
13   name: nginx
14   resources: {}
15 // you should see these values
16 CapPrm: 00000000000000000000000000000000
17 CapEff: 00000000000000000000000000000000
18   configMapKeyRef:
19     name: envcfgmap
20     key: var1
21   dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
22   restartPolicy: Never
23 status: {}
```


nginx.yml

118. Create a Pod nginx and specify a memory request and a memory limit of 100Mi and 200Mi respectively.

```
// create a yml file
kubectrl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx.yml
```

```
// add the resources section and create
kubectrl create -f nginx.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectrl top pod
```

nginx.yml

119. Create a Pod nginx and specify a CPU request and a CPU limit of 0.5 and 1 respectively.

```
// create a yml file
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx.yml
```

```
// add the resources section and create
kubectl create -f nginx.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectl top pod
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    volumes:
10   - name: nginx-volume
11     configMap:
12       name: cfgvolume
13   containers:
14   - image: nginx
15     name: nginx
16     resources: {}
17     volumeMounts:
18     - name: nginx-volume
19       mountPath: /etc/cfg
20   dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
```

nginx.yml

120. Create a Pod nginx and specify both CPU, memory requests and limits together and verify.

```
// create a yml file
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx.yml
```

```
// add the resources section and create
kubectl create -f nginx.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectl top pod
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    containers:
10   - image: nginx
11     name: nginx
12     resources:
13       requests:
14         memory: "100Mi"
15         cpu: "0.5"
16       limits:
17         memory: "200Mi"
18         cpu: "1"
19     dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
20     restartPolicy: Never
21  status: {}
```

121. Create a Pod nginx and specify a memory request and a memory limit of 100Gi and 200Gi respectively which is too big for the nodes and verify pod fails to start because of insufficient memory

```
// create a yml file
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx.yml

// add the resources section and create
kubectl create -f nginx.yml

// verify
kubectl describe po nginx // you can see pending state
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5  apiVersion: v1
6  labels:
7  kind: Pod
8  run: nginx
9  metadata:
10   name: nginx
11   creationTimestamp: null
12 spec:
13   labels:
14   containers:
15     - run: secbusybox
16     - image: nginx
17     name: secbusybox
18     name: nginx
19 spec:
20   resources:
21   securityContext: # add security context
22     requests:
23     runAsUser: 1000
24     memory: "100Gi"
25     runAsGroup: 2000
26     cpu: "0.5"
27   containers:
28     limits:
29     - args:
30       memory: "200Gi"
31       - /bin/sh
32       cpu: "1"
33     - -c
34   dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
35   - sleep 3600;
36   restartPolicy: Never
37   image: busybox
38 status: {}
39   name: secbusybox
40
41   resources: {}
```

nginx.yml

122. Create a secret mysecret with values user=myuser and password=mypassword

```
kubect1 create secret generic my-secret --from-  
literal=username=user --from-literal=password=mypassword
```

123. List the secrets in all namespaces

```
kubect1 get secret --all-namespaces
```

124. Output the yaml of the secret created above

```
kubect1 get secret my-secret -o yaml
```

125. Create an nginx pod which reads username as the environment variable

```
// create a yaml file  
kubect1 run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o  
yaml > nginx.yaml
```

```
// add env section below and create  
kubect1 create -f nginx.yaml
```

```
//verify  
kubect1 exec -it nginx -- env
```

nginx.yml

126. Create an nginx pod which loads the secret as environment variables

```
// create a yml file
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --dry-run -o
yaml > nginx.yml
1  apiVersion: v1
2// kind: Pod
3// add env section below and create
4  metadata:
5    creationTimestamp: null
6// verify:
7  labels:
8    run: secbusybox
9  name: secbusybox
10 spec:
11   securityContext:
12     runAsUser: 1000
13   containers:
14     - args:
15       - /bin/sh
16       - -c
17       - sleep 3600;
18     image: busybox
19     securityContext:
20       runAsUser: 2000
```

nginx.yml

127. List all the service accounts in the default namespace

```
kubectl get sa
```

128. List all the service accounts in all namespaces

```
kubectl get sa --all-namespaces
```

129. Create a service account called admin

```
kubectl create sa admin
```

130. Output the YAML file for the service account we just created

```
kubectl get sa admin -o yaml
```

131. Create a busybox pod which executes this command sleep 3600 with the service account admin and verify

```
kubectl run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never --dry-run
-o yaml -- /bin/sh -c "sleep 3600" > busybox.yml
```

```
kubectl create -f busybox.yml
```

```
// verify
kubectl describe po busybox
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: busybox
7    name: busybox
8  spec:
9    serviceAccountName: admin
10   containers:
11   - args:
12     - /bin/sh
13     - -c
14     - sleep 3600
15     image: busybox
16     name: busybox
17     resources: {}
18     dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
19     restartPolicy: Never
```

```
20  apiVersion: v1
21  status: {}
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    containers:
10    - image: nginx
11      securityContext:
12        standardLinuxCapabilities:
13          add: ["SYS_TIME", "NET_ADMIN"]
```

busybox.yml

Observability (18%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

```
11   securityContext:
12     standardLinuxCapabilities:
13       add: ["SYS_TIME", "NET_ADMIN"]
```


- Understand Container Logging
- Understand how to monitor applications in kubernetes
- Understand Debugging in Kubernetes

132. Create an nginx pod with containerPort 80 and it should only receive traffic only it checks the endpoint / on port 80 and verify and delete the pod.

```
kubect1 run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80 --dry-run -o yaml > nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// add the readinessProbe section and create  
kubect1 create -f nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// verify  
kubect1 describe pod nginx | grep -i readiness
```

```
kubect1 delete po nginx
```

nginx-pod.yaml

133. Create an nginx pod with containerPort 80 and it should check the pod running at endpoint / healthz on port 80 and verify and delete the pod.

```
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80 --dry-run -o yaml > nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// add the livenessProbe section and create
kubectl create -f nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// verify
kubectl describe pod nginx | grep -i readiness
```

```
kubectl delete po nginx
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7  apiVersion: v1
8  kind: Pod
9  metadata:
10   creationTimestamp: null
11   labels:
12     run: nginx
13   resources:
14     requests:
15       memory: "100Mi"
16   containers:
17     - image: nginx
18       name: nginx
19       ports:
20       - containerPort: 80
21       readinessProbe:
22         httpGet:
23           path: /healthz
24           port: 80
25         initialDelaySeconds: 5
26         periodSeconds: 10
27       restartPolicy: Never
```

nginx-pod.yaml

134. Create an nginx pod with containerPort 80 and it should check the pod running at endpoint /healthz on port 80 and it should only receive traffic only it checks the endpoint / on port 80. verify the pod.

```
kubect1 run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80 --  
dry-run -o yaml > nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// add the livenessProbe and readiness section and create  
kubect1 create -f nginx-pod.yaml
```

```
// verify  
kubect1 describe pod nginx | grep -i readiness  
kubect1 describe pod nginx | grep -i liveness
```

nginx-pod.yaml

135. Check what all are the options that we can configure with readiness and liveness probes

```
kubectl explain Pod.spec.containers.livenessProbe
kubectl explain Pod.spec.containers.readinessProbe
```

136. Create the pod nginx with the above liveness and readiness probes so that it should wait for 20 seconds before it checks liveness and readiness probes and it should check every 25 seconds.

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    containers:
10     - image: nginx
11       kind: Pod
12       name: nginx
13       metadata:
14         resources:
15           creationTimestamp: null
16           requests:
17             labels:
18               cpu: "0.5"
19             run: nginx
20             limits:
21               name: nginx
22               cpu: "1"
23       spec:
24         dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
25         containers:
26           restartPolicy: Never
27         - image: nginx
28         status: {}
29     name: nginx
30     ports:
31       - containerPort: 80
32     livenessProbe:
```

nginx-pod.yaml

137. Create a busybox pod with this command “echo I am from busybox pod; sleep 3600;” and verify the logs.

```
kubect1 run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never -- /bin/sh  
-c "echo I am from busybox pod; sleep 3600;"
```

```
kubect1 logs busybox
```

138. copy the logs of the above pod to the busybox-logs.txt and verify

```
kubect1 logs busybox > busybox-logs.txt
```

```
cat busybox-logs.txt
```

139. List all the events sorted by timestamp and put them into file.log and verify

```
kubect1 get events --sort-by=.metadata.creationTimestamp
```

```
// putting them into file.log
kubectl get events --sort-by=.metadata.creationTimestamp >
file.log

cat file.log
```

140. Create a pod with an image alpine which executes this command "while true; do echo 'Hi I am from alpine'; sleep 5; done" and verify and follow the logs of the pod.

```
// create the pod
kubectl run hello --image=alpine --restart=Never -- /bin/sh -
c "while true; do echo 'Hi I am from Alpine'; sleep 5;done"

// verify and follow the logs
kubectl logs --follow hello
```

141. Create the pod with this `kubectl create -f`

`https://gist.githubusercontent.com/bbachi/212168375b39e36e2e2984c097167b00/raw/1fd63509c3ae3a3d3da844640fb4cca744543c1c/not-running.yml`. The pod is not in the running state. Debug it.

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2// kubectl create the pod
3kubectl create -f
4https://gist.githubusercontent.com/bbachi/212168375b39e36e2e29
584c097167b00/raw/1fd63509c3ae3a3d3da844640fb4cca744543c1c/not-
6running.yml
7// get the pod
8kubectl get pod not-running
9kubectl describe po not-running
10  - image: nginx
11// it clearly says ImagePullBackOff something wrong with image
12kubectl edit pod not-running // it will open vim editor
13  ports:
14    containerPort: 80
15    or
16  livenessProbe:
17    httpGet:
```

142. This following yaml creates 4 namespaces and 4 pods. One of the pod in one of the namespaces are not in the running state. Debug and fix it.

<https://gist.github.com/bbachi/1f001f10337234d46806929d12245397/raw/84b7295fb077f15de979fec5b3f7a13fc69c6d83/problem-pod.yaml>.

```
kubectl create -f
https://gist.github.com/bbachi/1f001f10337234d46806
929d12245397/raw/84b7295fb077f15de979fec5b3f7a13fc69c6d83/prob
lem-pod.yaml
```

```
// get all the pods in all namespaces
kubectl get po --all-namespaces
```

```
// find out which pod is not running
kubectl get po -n namespace2
```

```
// update the image
kubectl set image pod/pod2 pod2=nginx -n namespace2
```

```
// verify again
kubectl get po -n namespace2
```

143. Get the memory and CPU usage of all the pods and find out top 3 pods which have the highest usage and put them into the cpu-usage.txt file

```
// get the top 3 hungry pods
kubectl top pod --all-namespaces | sort --reverse --key 3 --
numeric | head -3
```

```
// putting into file
kubectl top pod --all-namespaces | sort --reverse --key 3 --
numeric | head -3 > cpu-usage.txt
```

```
// verify
cat cpu-usage.txt
```

Services and Networking (13%)

Practice questions based on these concepts

- Understand Services
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of NetworkPolicies

144. Create an nginx pod with a yaml file with label my-nginx and expose the port 80

```
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --restart=Never --port=80 --dry-run -o yaml > nginx.yaml
```

```
// edit the label app: my-nginx and create the pod  
kubectl create -f nginx.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1  
2  kind: Pod  
3  metadata:  
4    creationTimestamp: null  
5    labels:  
6      app: my-nginx  
7    name: nginx  
8  spec:  
1  apiVersion: v1  
2  kind: Pod  
3  containers:  
4    - image: nginx  
5    metadata:  
6      name: nginx  
7      creationTimestamp: null  
8      ports:  
9        - containerPort: 80  
10     run: nginx  
11     resources: {}  
12     name: nginx  
13     dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst  
14   spec:  
15     restartPolicy: Never  
16     containers:  
17     status: {}  
18   - image: nginx  
19   name: nginx
```


nginx.yaml

145. Create the service for this nginx pod with the pod selector app: my-nginx

```
// create the below service
kubectl create -f nginx-svc.yaml
```

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Service
3  metadata:
4    name: my-service
5  spec:
6    selector:
7      app: my-nginx
8    ports:
9      - protocol: TCP
10      port: 80
11      targetPort: 9376
```

nginx-svc.yaml

146. Find out the label of the pod and verify the service has the same label

```
// get the pod with labels
kubectl get po nginx --show-labels

// get the service and chekc the selector column
kubectl get svc my-service -o wide
```

147. Delete the service and create the service with kubectl expose command and verify the label

```
// delete the service
kubectl delete svc my-service
```

```
// create the service again
kubectl expose po nginx --port=80 --target-port=9376

// verify the label
kubectl get svc -l app=my-nginx
```

148. Delete the service and create the service again with type NodePort

```
// delete the service
kubectl delete svc nginx

// create service with expose command
kubectl expose po nginx --port=80 --type=NodePort
```

149. Create the temporary busybox pod and hit the service. Verify the service that it should return the nginx page index.html.

```
// get the clusterIP from this command
kubectl get svc nginx -o wide

// create temporary busybox to check the nodeport
kubectl run busybox --image=busybox --restart=Never -it --rm -
- wget -o- <Cluster IP>:80
```

150. Create a NetworkPolicy which denies all ingress traffic

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
4  kind: NetworkPolicy
5  metadata:
6    name: default-deny
7  spec:
8    podSelector: {}
9    policyTypes:
10     - ingress:
11       - image: nginx
12         name: nginx
```

Conclusion

CKAD is a performance-based exam and it's all about completing 19 questions within 2 hours. We need a lot of practice for it. These 150 questions give you enough practice for the exam. The more you practice the more comfortable you feel during the exam. Practice. Practice. Practice.

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1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Pod
3  metadata:
4    creationTimestamp: null
5    labels:
6      run: nginx
7    name: nginx
8  spec:
9    containers:
10     - image: nginx
11       name: nginx
12       envFrom:
13     - secretRef:
14       name: my-secret
15     resources: {}
```