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### EXAM PROFESSIONAL DATA ENGINEER TOPIC 1 QUESTION 154 DISCUSSION

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You plan to deploy Cloud SQL using MySQL. You need to ensure high availability in the event of a zone failure. What should you do?

- A. Create a Cloud SQL instance in one zone, and create a failover replica in another zone within the same region.
- B. Create a Cloud SQL instance in one zone, and create a read replica in another zone within the same region.
- C. Create a Cloud SQL instance in one zone, and configure an external read replica in a zone in a different region.
- D. Create a Cloud SQL instance in a region, and configure automatic backup to a Cloud Storage bucket in the same region.

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by [👤 madhu1171](#) at *March 15, 2020, 7:17 p.m.*

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A should be correct answer

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  **tycho** 2 years, 10 months ago

yes A is correct, when creating a new cloud sql instance there is an option

"Multiple zones (Highly available)"

Automatic failover to another zone within your selected region. Recommended for production instances. Increases cost."

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Correct: A

<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/high-availability>

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Answer : A

Question is about high availability in the event of zone failure. So create Fail over replica in another zone in same region.

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  **MaxNRG** 10 months, 2 weeks ago

 **Selected Answer: A**

A (failover replicas) as this is an old question:

In a legacy HA configuration, a Cloud SQL for MySQL instance uses a failover replica to add high availability to the instance. This functionality isn't available in Google Cloud console.

The new configuration doesn't use failover replicas. Instead, it uses Google's regional persistent disks, which synchronously replicate data at the block-level between two zones in a region.

<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/configure-legacy-ha>

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Option A is good for legacy solution

Note: Cloud SQL plans to discontinue support for legacy HA instances in the future and will soon be announcing a date to do so. Currently, legacy HA instances are still covered by the Cloud SQL SLA. We recommend you upgrade your existing legacy HA instances to regional persistent disk HA instances and create new instances using regional persistent disk HA as soon as possible

Option C makes more sense in this regard

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  **emmylou** 11 months, 3 weeks ago

A - Although it is legacy and will be deprecated. The correct answer is not an option--

"The legacy configuration for high availability used a failover replica instance. The new configuration does not use a failover replica. Instead, it uses Google's regional persistent disks, which synchronously replicate data at the block level between two zones in a region."

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 **Selected Answer: A**

Failover Replica: By creating a failover replica in another zone within the same region, you establish a high-availability configuration. The failover replica is kept in sync with the primary instance, and it can quickly take over in case of a failure of the primary instance.

Same Region: Placing the failover replica in the same region ensures minimal latency and data consistency. In the event of a zone failure, the failover can happen within the same region, reducing potential downtime.

Zone Resilience: Google Cloud's regional design ensures that zones within a region are independent of each other, which adds resilience to zone failures.

Automatic Failover: In case of a primary instance failure, Cloud SQL will automatically promote the failover replica to become the new primary instance, minimizing downtime.

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Per latest Google cloud document, B is the correct answer.

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 **Selected Answer: B**

Cross-region read replicas

Cross-region replication lets you create a read replica in a different region from the primary instance. You create a cross-region read replica the same way as you create an in-region replica.

Cross-region replicas:

Improve read performance by making replicas available closer to your application's region.


Provide additional disaster recovery capability to guard against a regional failure.

Let you migrate data from one region to another.

[https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/replication#cross-region-read-replicas~:text=memory%20\(OOM\)%20events.-](https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/replication#cross-region-read-replicas~:text=memory%20(OOM)%20events.-)

,Cross%2Dregion%2Dread%2Dreplicas,Let%20you%20migrate%20data%20from%20one%20region%20to%20another.,-  
See%20Promoting%20replicas


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**Selected Answer: B**



The legacy process for adding high availability to MySQL instances uses a failover replica. The legacy functionality isn't available in the Google Cloud console. See Legacy configuration: Creating a new instance configured for high availability or Legacy configuration: Configuring an existing instance for high availability.


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  **KK0202** 1 year, 4 months ago

**Selected Answer: B**

The correct answer is most probably B as this his scenario has an update(As of July 2023). Failover replicas are not available anymore. Same region different zone read replicas are used in case of a failover or if primary zone is not available

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**Selected Answer: B**

The answer is B, the failover replica is a legacy feature.


See here: [https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/high-availability#legacy\\_mysql\\_high\\_availability\\_option](https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/high-availability#legacy_mysql_high_availability_option)

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Read replica isn't an alternative to the standby instance

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**Selected Answer: A**

read replica (B) and external read replica (C) doesn't make sense here, since we potentially need all the functionalities. Using Cloud SQL in a region combined with Cloud Storage backup may not be the best choice (D) thinking about compliance reasons starting from what has been asked, it seems also "too much" compared with A that fullfills the request with simpler actions. Also, compliance is required at the regional level, so then A fits.

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Failover replica's are a legacy feature. This question is outdated: <https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/configure-ha>

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Answer A, key words to remember, High Scale use extra read replica. High availability use extra failure replica. Both should be in different zone but in same region.



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Answer is B: <https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/replication#read-replicas>


'As a best practice, put read replicas in a different zone than the primary instance when you use HA on your primary instance'

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The questions asks to ensure high availability in the event of a zone failure

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**Selected Answer: A**

A is the answer.

<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/mysql/high-availability#HA-configuration>

The HA configuration provides data redundancy. A Cloud SQL instance configured for HA is also called a regional instance and has a primary and secondary zone within the configured region. Within a regional instance, the configuration is made up of a primary instance and a standby instance. Through synchronous replication to each zone's persistent disk, all writes made to the primary instance are replicated to disks in both zones before a transaction is reported as committed. In the event of an instance or zone failure, the standby instance becomes the new primary instance. Users are then rerouted to the new

On an instance of zone failure, the standby instance becomes the new primary instance. Users are then rerouted to the new primary instance. This process is called a failover.

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