

Discussion 1: State of the Cloud Report

20 points, individual task. All due time is Central Daylight Time (CDT) at the end of the day specified.

This is the first async technical discussion, accessing “1. State of the Cloud Report Discussion” in “Discussions” on Blackboard. Students

- must create a thread in order to view other threads in this discussion forum.
- does not allow to edit own published post, but can continue post in his/her own thread
- can subscribe to threads, but not the forum as a whole.
- does not allow attachment.

Study 2023 and 2022 state of the cloud reports in "References" of "Syllabus, Course Information, and Policies". Each student should

1. have minimal 3 posts, 1 original post and 2 follow-up posts, for credits
2. suggest to use your name as the thread subject
3. create a thread to discuss some points after you have learned the reports and additional references
4. write the discussion based on your own understanding
5. do not summarize the reports. Instead, discuss 1-2 points thoroughly and your discussion should start with these points. You can find additional references to support your discussion and statements. If so, include the URLs of the additional references. However, do not overwhelm
6. may ask questions or challenge your classmates in your discussion
7. after the due day of the original post, follow up at least 2 other students' threads within three days
8. response others' follow-up posts in your thread (these are not counted for the 3 minimal posts)
9. using MW sections as example, the original post is due by Sunday 11:59 PM, and follow-up posts are due by Wednesday 11:59 PM
10. using TR sections as example, the original post is due by Monday 11:59 PM, and follow-up posts are due by Thursday 11:59 PM
11. add one more day after the follow-up due as a grace period

Discussion Rubric:

- Initial Post (50%)
 - o Demonstrates judgment: Full credit
 - o Creates approximately 500 words
- Follow-up Post (50%):
 - o Responds to at least two other students' thread and demonstrates judgment: Full credit
 - o While two quality responses are the minimal requirement for full credit, the goal is to have interactive discussion. It is suggested to subscribe to your own thread and the ones you comment on.
 - o Answer/follow up the discussion in your own thread if receiving questions/comments from classmates.