Module 2: Building Application Infrastructure in Azure Lab: Creating an Azure Virtual Machine for Development and Testing

Exercise 1: Creating a Network and Resource Container

Task 1: Sign in to the Azure Portal

- 1. On the Start screen, click the **Internet Explorer** tile.
- 2. Go to https://portal.azure.com
- 3. Enter the email address of your Microsoft account. Click **Continue**.
- 4. Enter the password for your Microsoft account.
- 5. Click Sign In.

Task 2: Create a Resource Group

- In the navigation pane on the left side of the Azure Portal, scroll down, and then click More Services.
- 2. In the **Browse** blade that displays, click **Resource groups**.
- 3. In the **Resource groups** blade that displays, view your list of resource groups.
- 4. At the top of the **Resource groups** blade, click the **Add** button.
- 5. In the **Resource group** blade, perform the following steps:
 - a. In the **Resource group name** dialog box, provide the value **20532**.
 - b. In the **Resource group location** list, select the region that is closest to your current location.
- 6. In the Resource group blade, click Create.

Task 3: Create a Virtual Network

- 1. In the navigation pane on the left side of the Azure Portal, scroll down, and then click **More Services**.
- 2. In the **Browse** blade that displays, click **Virtual networks**.
- 3. In the Virtual networks blade that displays, view your list of virtual network instances.
- 4. At the top of the **Virtual networks** blade, click the **Add** button.
- 5. In the **Create virtual network** blade, perform the following steps:
 - a. In the Name dialog box, provide the value vnet20532.
 - b. In the **Location** list, select the region that is closest to your current location.
 - c. Ensure that the Address space box has the value 10.0.0.0/16.
 - d. In the Subnet name box, provide the value Apps.
 - e. Ensure that the Subnet address range box has the value 10.0.0.0/24.
 - f. In the **Resource group** section, select the **Use existing** option.
 - g. In the Resource group section, locate the dialog box and provide the value 20532.
- 6. In the Create virtual network blade, click Create.

Results: After completing this exercise, you will have a new virtual network and resource group in Azure

Exercise 2: Creating a Development Virtual Machine

Task 1: Create a storage account

- 1. In the navigation pane on the left side of the Azure Portal, scroll down, and click **More Services**.
- 2. In the **Browse** blade that displays, click **Storage Accounts**.
- 3. In the **Storage accounts** blade that displays, view your list of Storage instances.
- 4. At the top of the **Storage accounts** blade, click the **Add** button.
- 5. In the **Create storage account** blade that displays, perform the following steps:
 - a. In the Name box, provide the value stor20532[your name in lowercase here].
 - b. In the **Deployment model** section, ensure that the *Resource manager* option is selected.
 - c. In the Account kind list, ensure that the General purpose option is selected.
 - d. In the **Performance** section, ensure that the *Standard* option is selected.
 - e. Click on the Replication list and select the Locally-redundant storage (LRS) option.
 - f. In the **Location** list, select the region closest to your current location.
 - g. In the Resource group section, select the Use existing option.
 - h. In the **Resource group** section, locate the dialog box and provide the value **20532**.
 - i. Ensure that the **Pin to Dashboard** option is selected.
 - j. Click Create.

Note Wait for Azure to finish creating the storage account prior to moving forward with the lab. You will receive a notification when the *Storage Account* is created and you will see the Storage Account's blade.

Task 2: Create a virtual machine

- 1. In the navigation pane on the left side of the Azure Portal, scroll down, and click **More Services**.
- 2. In the **Browse** blade that displays, click **Virtual machines**.
- 3. In the **Virtual machines** blade that displays, view your list of Virtual Machine instances.
- 4. At the top of the **Virtual machines** blade, click the **Add** button.
- 5. In the Virtual Machines blade that displays, search for and select the following template:
 - Visual Studio Community 2015 with Azure SDK 2.9 on Windows Server 2012 R2

Note: Ensure that you select this specific template as all further lab instructions assume that you are using this exact Azure SDK version, OS and Visual Studio version.

- 6. In the **Visual Studio Community 2015 with Azure SDK 2.9 on Windows Server 2012 R2** blade, ensure that the **Resource Manager** deployment model is selected and click the **Create** button.
- 7. In the **Create virtual machine** blade that displays, click **Basics** and perform the following steps:
 - a. In the Name dialog box, provide the value vm20532.
 - b. In the VM disk type list, select the value HDD.
 - c. In the User Name dialog box, provide the value Student.
 - d. In the Password and Confirm Password dialog boxes, provide the value AzurePa\$\$w0rd
 - e. In the Subscription section, select the subscription you wish to use.
 - f. In the **Resource Group** section, locate the **Use existing** option, and then select the **20532** resource group.
 - g. In the **Location** list, select the region closest to your current location.
 - h. Click OK.
- 8. In the Create Virtual Machine blade that displays, click Size and perform the following steps:
 - a. Locate and click the View all hyperlink.
 - b. Locate and select the **F4 Standard** option.
 - c. Click the Select button.
- 9. In the Create Virtual Machine blade that displays, click Settings and perform the following steps:
 - a. Click the Storage Account section and then select stor20532[your name here].
 - b. Click the Virtual Network section and then select vnet20532.
 - c. Click the **Subnet** section and then select **Apps**.
 - d Leave default values for **Public IP Address**, **Network Security Group (firewall)**, **Extensions** and **High Availability**.
 - e. Under the **Monitoring > Diagnostics** section, select the **Disabled** option.
 - f. Leave the default value for **Diagnostic Storage Account**.
 - g. Scroll down and click OK.
- 10. In the **Create Virtual Machine** blade that displays, click **Summary** and click **OK** to create the virtual machine using your specified configuration.

Note: The creation of a new virtual machine can take anywhere between 10 to 15 minutes. You will see a notification on the Dashboard (home screen) when your virtual machine is created and running.

- 11. Select the newly created virtual machine from your Dashboard.
- 12. In the vm20532 blade, locate the Settings section.
- 13. In the **Settings** section, select the **Disks** option.
- 14. In the Disks blade, click Attach New.
- 15. In the **Attach a new disk** blade, perform the following steps:
 - a. In the name box, provide vm20532-AllFiles
 - b. For Type, select HDD.
 - c. In the Size (GiB) dialog box, provide the value, 128.
 - d. Click on **Location** and then from the **Storage account** blade, select the previously created storage account, **stor20532[Your Name Here]**
 - e. In the Containers blade, select vhds container and click Select.
 - f. To create the second disk, click OK.

Note: Wait about five minutes for the empty disk to be attached to the virtual machine.

- 16. Select the **Overview** option to return to the **vm20532** blade.
- 17. Click **Connect** at the top of the screen.
- 18. In the Internet Explorer download dialog box, click Open.
- 19. In the Remote Desktop Connection dialog box, perform the following steps:
 - a. Click **Don't ask me again for connections to this computer** to prevent this dialog box from displaying again.
 - b. Click Connect.
- 20. In the **Windows Security** dialog box, perform the following steps:
 - a. For the User name dialog box, provide the value, Student.

Note: If you computer is on a domain, you may need to add a backslash before the username to "escape" the domain.

- b. For the Password dialog box, provide the value, AzurePa\$\$w0rd.
- c. Click OK.
- 21. In the **Remote Desktop Connection** dialog box, perform the following steps:
 - a. Verify if the Remote certificate name matches the name of your virtual machine.

- b. Click **Don't ask me again for connections to this computer** to prevent this dialog box from displaying again.
- c. Click Yes.
- 22. When you are prompted to allow your network connection to discover external devices, click Yes.

Results: After completing this exercise, you will have a new virtual machine stored in a new storage account.

Exercise 3: Configuring the Virtual Machine for Development

Task 1: Disable IE Enhanced Security Configuration

- 1. On the Start screen, click the **Server Manager** tile.
- 2. In the navigation pane on the left side, click **Local Server**.
- 3. In the **Properties** box, click the **IE Enhanced Security Configuration** option that is currently set to **On**.
- 4. In the Internet Explorer Enhanced Security Configuration dialog box, perform the following steps:
 - a. Under Administrators, select Off.
 - b. Under *Users*, select Off.
 - c. Click OK.

Task 2: Create an AllFiles Drive

- Press the Windows logo key + W to open Universal Search Settings.
- 2. In the **Search** dialog box, provide the value **disk**.
- 3. Click Create and format hard disk partitions.
- 4. In the **Initialize Disk** dialog box, perform the following steps:
 - a. Verify that **Disk 2** is selected for initialization.
 - b. Verify that MBR (Master Boot Record) is the selected partition style.
 - c. Click OK.
- 5. In the lower-half of the Disk Management window, perform the following steps:
 - a. Scroll down and find Disk 2 that was previously initialized.
 - b. Right-click the unallocated partition, and then click **New Simple Volume**.
- 6. In the **New Simple Volume** wizard, perform the following steps:
 - a. Click Next.
 - b. Verify that the **Simple volume size in MB** is a number greater than **100000**.
 - c. Click Next.
 - d. In the Assign the following drive letter list, click F.

- e. Click Next.
- f. Verify that the File System setting is set to NTFS.
- g. In the Volume Label dialog box, provide the value AllFiles.
- h. Click Next.
- i. Click **Finish** to close the dialog box, and then create the partition.

Note: If a dialog box displays stating that "You need to format the disk in drive F: before you can use it.", you can safely close it because you already formatted the disk.

Task 3: Download the AllFiles Content

- 1. On the Start screen, click the **Internet Explorer** tile.
- 2. If you are prompted to set up Internet Explorer 11, perform the following steps:
 - a. Select Use recommended security, privacy and compatibility settings.
 - b. Click OK.
- 3. Go to (https://github.com/MicrosoftLearning/20532-DevelopingMicrosoftAzureSolutions/releases/latest).
- 4. Scroll down the screen until you find the allfiles download link.
- 5. Click the link to download the AllFiles compressed folder.
- 6. In the **Internet Explorer** download dialog box, click **Save**.

Note: The download of the AllFiles executable typically takes around five minutes.

- 7. Click the Windows File Explorer icon in your Taskbar.
- 8. On the left navigation bar, expand the **This PC** node and click the **Downloads** node:
- 9. Right-click the **allfiles** compressed folder and select the **Properties** option.
- 10. In the allfiles Properties dialog box, do the following:
 - a. Click **Unblock** if present.
 - b. Click OK.
- 11. Right-click the **allfiles** compressed folder and select the **Extract all** option.
- 12. In the **Extract Compressed (Zipped) Folders** dialog box, do the following:
 - a. In the Files will be extracted to this folder: dialog, provide the value F:\.
 - b. Ensure that the **Show extracted files when complete** checkbox is not selected.

- c. Click Extract.
- 13. Wait for the extraction process to complete.

Task 4: Add your Azure subscription to Visual Studio

1. On the Start screen, locate and click the Visual Studio 2015 tile.

Note: You might have to use the down arrow to locate the Visual Studio 2015 tile on your Start screen.

- 2. You will be prompted to sign-in using a **Microsoft Account**. Perform the following steps:
 - a. Click the Sign in button.
 - b. Enter the email address of your Microsoft account. Click **Continue**.
 - c. Ensure that the **Keep me signed in** option is selected.
 - d. Enter the password for your Microsoft account.
 - e. Click Sign In.

Note: You may be prompted by Internet Explorer to remember this password. You can safely close and ignore this dialog.

- If you have never used Visual Studio in the past, you will be prompted to configure your Microsoft Account. Perform the following steps:
 - a. Select your **country\region** from the provided list.
 - b. Leave the remaining fields set to their default values.
 - c. Click the Continue button.
- 4. If you have never used **Visual Studio** in the past, you will also be prompted to configure the apperance of your IDE. Perform the following steps:
 - a. Leave all fields set to their default values.
 - b. click the Start Visual Studio button.
- 5. Wait for Visual Studio to finish preparing for first use.

Note: This process typically takes between 2 to 5 minutes.

6. Validate that you can see the Visual Studio **Start Page**.

Results: After completing this exercise, your development virtual machine will have your lab files installed. Your virtual machine will also have Visual Studio, Azure PowerShell, and the Azure SDK installed.

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