

Practical 13.1 - Duties of the DBA worksheet

Because the 'Duties of the DBA' lecture is quite long, and covers a lot of material, completing this worksheet will help cement your knowledge of the DBA role. This is a checkpoint, you may work in pairs.

1. What are some common tasks a DBA can be expected to complete? For each also list how often they should occur
 - a. _____

 - b. _____

 - c. _____

 - d. _____

 - e. _____

2. What are the four components of SQL Server?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
3. Choosing the correct hardware is very important for a database server. What considerations would you take into account when selecting hardware components?
 - a. _____

 - b. _____

 - c. _____

4. What should you configure on the guest operating system before installing the DBMS?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
5. What security considerations should you take into account? (Hint – Both OS and DBMS)

- a. _____

- b. _____

- c. _____

6. List the three backup models in SQL Server and the associated pros and cons.

- a. _____
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
- b. _____
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
- c. _____
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____

7. Explain the difference between SQL Server jobs and tasks. What are they used for?

- a. _____

8. What hierarchy of security principals would you require to connect to a database from a Windows domain computer? (Hint – do you require two or three?)

- a. _____

- b. _____

9. What database level permission do users require to execute select statements against a database?

- a. _____

10. What page type would be used for each of these data types?

- a. nvarchar(100) _____
- b. nvarchar(max) _____
- c. XML data _____