# **Data Engineer Certification Study Guide**

Please use this study guide to create your certification self-study plan. We've included the objectives you should meet for each assessed competency, with links to relevant practice assessments.

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## **Data Engineer Associate**

### Exam DE101: Data Management Theory & SQL and Exploratory Analysis Theory

1.1 Perform data extraction, joining and aggregation tasks (SQL)

- Aggregate numeric, categorical variables and dates by groups using PostgreSQL.
- Interpret a database schema and combine multiple tables by rows or columns using PostgreSQL.
- Extract data based on different conditions using PostgreSQL.
- Use subqueries to reference a second table (e.g. a different table, an aggregated table) within a query in PostgreSQL

1.2 Perform cleaning tasks to prepare data for analysis (SQL)

- Match strings in a dataset with specific patterns.
- Convert values between data types.
- Clean categorical and text data by manipulating strings.
- Clean date and time data.

1.3 Assess data quality and perform validation tasks (SQL)

- Identify and replace missing values.
- Perform different types of data validation tasks (e.g. consistency, constraints, range validation, uniqueness).
- Identify and validate data types in a data set.

#### **Related Assessments**

<u>Data Management with SQL</u>

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- 2.1 Interpret a database schema and explain database design concepts (such as normalization, design, schemas, data storage options)
  - Explain the design schema of a database
  - Identify from a schema how tables are connected and how to join multiple tables
  - Explain concepts in database design (normalization, design schemas, data storage options, etc)
- 2.2 Identify different cloud tools that can be used for storing data and creating and maintaining data pipelines
  - Identify the most common cloud tools used for data storage (file storage and databases)
  - Identify the most common cloud tools used for creating and managing data pipelines

#### **Related Assessments**

Not yet available

3.1 Use data visualization tools to demonstrate characteristics of data (theory)

- Distinguish between different types of data visualizations (bar chart, box plot, line graph, and histogram) in demonstrating the characteristics of data.
- Interpret data visualizations (bar chart, box plot, line graph, and histogram) and summarize the characteristics of the data.
- 3.2 Read and analyze data visualizations to represent the relationships between features (theory)
  - Distinguish between different types of data visualizations (scatterplot, heatmap, and pivot table) in representing the relationships between features.
  - Interpret the data visualizations (scatterplot, heatmap, and pivot table) and summarize the relationship between features.

#### **Related Assessments**

**Exploratory Analysis Theory**