Lab Objective

You're stepping into the role of a **data analyst at TheLook eCommerce**, a global clothing retailer. Your mission is to use **BigQuery** and **Looker Studio** to analyze sales and sports data to support a marketing campaign.

What You'll Do in the Lab

1. Explore Datasets in BigQuery

- You'll work with two datasets:
 - o thelook_gcda: Contains sales data for TheLook eCommerce.
 - ncaa_basketball: A public dataset with NCAA basketball player statistics.

2. Run SQL Queries

- Use **SQL** in **BigQuery** to:
 - Filter and retrieve swimwear sales data for June 2023.
 - o Identify the top 10 highest-scoring NCAA basketball players.

3. Visualize Data in Looker Studio

- After querying the data, you'll use Looker Studio (accessible via BigQuery UI)
 to:
 - Create custom dashboards and reports.
 - o Present your findings in a visual format for stakeholders.

Scenario Context

- The marketing manager, Martina, wants to launch a swimwear ad campaign featuring top NCAA athletes.
- Your analysis will help:
 - o Identify the best-selling swimwear products.
 - Select athletes based on performance data.

X Tools You'll Use

- **BigQuery**: For querying and managing large datasets.
- Looker Studio: For building visual reports and dashboards.
- **Google Cloud Console**: Your workspace for accessing BigQuery and other services.

% Lab Setup & Access

- You'll be given **temporary credentials** to access Google Cloud.
- Use **Incognito mode** to avoid conflicts with personal accounts.
- The lab is **timed (1 hour 30 minutes)** and **cannot be paused**.
- You'll start by clicking "Start Lab", then sign in using the provided credentials.

Key Activities

- 1. Start the lab and sign in to Google Cloud Console.
- 2. **Explore and query the thelook_gcda dataset** to find swimwear sales.
- 3. **Explore and query the ncaa_basketball dataset** to find top athletes.
- 4. Visualize your results in Looker Studio.
- 5. Generate insights to support the ad campaign.