

1. What does the “S” in SMART stand for?

Question:

A cloud data analyst needs to ask a series of questions before starting a data analysis project. They decide to follow the SMART methodology for asking questions. What does the “S” in SMART stand for?

- ☐ Standardized
- ☐ Strategic
- ☐ Siloed
- ☒ **Specific**

Feedback:

The “S” in SMART stands for **Specific**, meaning the question should be clear and focused to prompt detailed responses.

2. Actionable Responses in SMART Methodology

Question:

What characteristics of the SMART methodology will provide you with responses that you can act upon?

- ☒ **Action-oriented questions**
- ☐ Close-ended questions
- ☐ Time-bound questions
- ☐ Personal questions

Feedback:

Action-oriented questions encourage stakeholders to provide responses that lead to meaningful next steps in the project.

3. Example of a Measurable Question

Question:

Which of the following is an example of a measurable question?

- ☐ Do you want to decrease your response time?
- ☒ **By how much do you want to decrease your response time?**
- ☐ Are you considering the annual sales?

-  Which market and industry benchmarks will you use?





Feedback:

A **measurable question** includes quantifiable elements, helping define clear goals and metrics.

4. Type of Questions That Define Time Constraints

Question:

A data analyst asks questions that limit the range of possibilities and define delivery timeframes. What type of questions are they asking?

-  Action-oriented questions
-  **Time-bound questions**
-  Close-ended questions
-  Open-ended questions

Feedback:

Time-bound questions help define the scope and schedule of a project, ensuring relevance and feasibility.