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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has decided to make a major revision of their API in order to create better experiences for their developers. They need to keep the old version of the API available and deployable, while allowing new customers and testers to try out the new API. They want to keep the same SSL and DNS records in place to serve both APIs.

What should they do?

- A. Configure a new load balancer for the new version of the API
- B. Reconfigure old clients to use a new endpoint for the new API
- C. Have the old API forward traffic to the new API based on the path
- D. Use separate backend pools for each API path behind the load balancer

Question #: 4

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A news feed web service has the following code running on Google App Engine. During peak load, users report that they can see news articles they already viewed. What is the most likely cause of this problem?

```
import news
from flask import Flask, redirect, request
from flask.ext.api import status
from google.appengine.api import users
app = Flask( name )
sessions = {}
@app.route("/")
def homepage():
     user = users.get_current_user()
     if not user:
           return "Invalid login",
status.HTTP 401 UNAUTHORIZED
     if user not in sessions:
           sessions[user] = {"viewed": []}
     news articles = news.get new news (user, sessions [user]
["viewed"])
     sessions [user] ["viewed"] +- [n["id"] for n
in news articles]
     return news.render(news_articles)
if name == " main ":
     app.run()
```

- A. The session variable is local to just a single instance
- B. The session variable is being overwritten in Cloud Datastore
- C. The URL of the API needs to be modified to prevent caching
- D. The HTTP Expires header needs to be set to -1 stop caching

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

An application development team believes their current logging tool will not meet their needs for their new cloud-based product. They want a better tool to capture errors and help them analyze their historical log data. You want to help them find a solution that meets their needs.

What should you do?

- A. Direct them to download and install the Google StackDriver logging agent
- B. Send them a list of online resources about logging best practices
- C. Help them define their requirements and assess viable logging tools
- D. Help them upgrade their current tool to take advantage of any new features

Question #: 6

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You need to reduce the number of unplanned rollbacks of erroneous production deployments in your company's web hosting platform. Improvement to the QA/ Test processes accomplished an 80% reduction.

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Which additional two approaches can you take to further reduce the rollbacks? (Choose two.)

- A. Introduce a green-blue deployment model
- B. Replace the QA environment with canary releases
- C. Fragment the monolithic platform into microservices
- D. Reduce the platform's dependency on relational database systems
- E. Replace the platform's relational database systems with a NoSQL database

Question #: 7

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

To reduce costs, the Director of Engineering has required all developers to move their development infrastructure resources from on-premises virtual machines (VMs) to Google Cloud Platform. These resources go through multiple start/stop events during the day and require state to persist. You have been asked to design the process of running a development environment in Google Cloud while providing cost visibility to the finance department.

Which two steps should you take? (Choose two.)

- A. Use the -- no-auto-delete flag on all persistent disks and stop the VM
- B. Use the -auto-delete flag on all persistent disks and terminate the VM
- C. Apply VM CPU utilization label and include it in the BigQuery billing export
- D. Use Google BigQuery billing export and labels to associate cost to groups
- E. Store all state into local SSD, snapshot the persistent disks, and terminate the VM
- F. Store all state in Google Cloud Storage, snapshot the persistent disks, and terminate the VM

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Question #: 8

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company wants to track whether someone is present in a meeting room reserved for a scheduled meeting. There are 1000 meeting rooms across 5 offices on 3 continents. Each room is equipped with a motion sensor that reports its status every second. The data from the motion detector includes only a sensor ID and several different discrete items of information. Analysts will use this data, together with information about account owners and office locations.

Which database type should you use?

- - B. NoSQL

A. Flat file

- C. Relational
- D. Blobstore

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Question #: 9

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You set up an autoscaling instance group to serve web traffic for an upcoming launch. After configuring the instance group as a backend service to an HTTP(S) load balancer, you notice that virtual machine (VM) instances are being terminated and re-launched every minute. The instances do not have a public IP address. You have verified the appropriate web response is coming from each instance using the curl command. You want to ensure the backend is configured correctly. What should you do?

- A. Ensure that a firewall rules exists to allow source traffic on HTTP/HTTPS to reach the load balancer.
- B. Assign a public IP to each instance and configure a firewall rule to allow the load balancer to reach the instance public IP.
- C. Ensure that a firewall rule exists to allow load balancer health checks to reach the instances in the instance group.
- D. Create a tag on each instance with the name of the load balancer. Configure a firewall rule with the name of the load balancer as the source and the instance tag as the destination.

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Question #: 12

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has successfully migrated to the cloud and wants to analyze their data stream to optimize operations. They do not have any existing code for this analysis, so they are exploring all their options. These options include a mix of batch and stream processing, as they are running some hourly jobs and live- processing some data as it comes in.

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Which technology should they use for this?

- A. Google Cloud Dataproc
- B. Google Cloud Dataflow
- C. Google Container Engine with Bigtable
- D. Google Compute Engine with Google BigQuery

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Question #: 13

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your customer is receiving reports that their recently updated Google App Engine application is taking approximately 30 seconds to load for some of their users. This behavior was not reported before the update.

What strategy should you take?

- A. Work with your ISP to diagnose the problem
- B. Open a support ticket to ask for network capture and flow data to diagnose the problem, then roll back your application
- C. Roll back to an earlier known good release initially, then use Stackdriver Trace and Logging to diagnose the problem in a development/test/staging environment
- D. Roll back to an earlier known good release, then push the release again at a quieter period to investigate. Then use Stackdriver Trace and Logging to diagnose the problem

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Question #: 14

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A production database virtual machine on Google Compute Engine has an ext4-formatted persistent disk for data files. The database is about to run out of storage space. How can you remediate the problem with the least amount of downtime?

- A. In the Cloud Platform Console, increase the size of the persistent disk and use the resize2fs command in Linux.
- B. Shut down the virtual machine, use the Cloud Platform Console to increase the persistent disk size, then restart the virtual machine
- C. In the Cloud Platform Console, increase the size of the persistent disk and verify the new space is ready to use with the fdisk command in Linux
- D. In the Cloud Platform Console, create a new persistent disk attached to the virtual machine, format and mount it, and configure the database service to move the files to the new disk
- E. In the Cloud Platform Console, create a snapshot of the persistent disk restore the snapshot to a new larger disk, unmount the old disk, mount the new disk and restart the database service

Question #: 15

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your application needs to process credit card transactions. You want the smallest scope of Payment Card Industry (PCI) compliance without compromising the ability to analyze transactional data and trends relating to which payment methods are used.

How should you design your architecture?

- A. Create a tokenizer service and store only tokenized data
- B. Create separate projects that only process credit card data
- C. Create separate subnetworks and isolate the components that process credit card data
- D. Streamline the audit discovery phase by labeling all of the virtual machines (VMs) that process PCI data
- E. Enable Logging export to Google BigQuery and use ACLs and views to scope the data shared with the auditor

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Question #: 16

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have been asked to select the storage system for the click-data of your company's large portfolio of websites. This data is streamed in from a custom website analytics package at a typical rate of 6,000 clicks per minute. With bursts of up to 8,500 clicks per second. It must have been stored for future analysis by your data science and user experience teams.

Which storage infrastructure should you choose?

- A. Google Cloud SQL
- B. Google Cloud Bigtable
- C. Google Cloud Storage
- D. Google Cloud Datastore

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Question #: 19

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

The database administration team has asked you to help them improve the performance of their new database server running on Google Compute Engine. The database is for importing and normalizing their performance statistics and is built with MySQL running on Debian Linux. They have an n1-standard-8 virtual machine with 80 GB of SSD persistent disk.

What should they change to get better performance from this system?

- A. Increase the virtual machine's memory to 64 GB
- B. Create a new virtual machine running PostgreSQL
- C. Dynamically resize the SSD persistent disk to 500 GB
- D. Migrate their performance metrics warehouse to BigQuery
- E. Modify all of their batch jobs to use bulk inserts into the database

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Question #: 21

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company's user-feedback portal comprises a standard LAMP stack replicated across two zones. It is deployed in the us-central1 region and uses autoscaled managed instance groups on all layers, except the database. Currently, only a small group of select customers have access to the portal. The portal meets a 99,99% availability SLA under these conditions. However next quarter, your company will be making the portal available to all users, including unauthenticated users. You need to develop a resiliency testing strategy to ensure the system maintains the SLA once they introduce additional user load.

What should you do?

- A. Capture existing users input, and replay captured user load until autoscale is triggered on all layers. At the same time, terminate all resources in one of the zones
- B. Create synthetic random user input, replay synthetic load until autoscale logic is triggered on at least one layer, and introduce x€chaosx€ to the system by terminating random resources on both zones
- C. Expose the new system to a larger group of users, and increase group size each day until autoscale logic is triggered on all layers. At the same time, terminate random resources on both zones
- D. Capture existing users input, and replay captured user load until resource utilization crosses 80%. Also, derive estimated number of users based on existing user's usage of the app, and deploy enough resources to handle 200% of expected load

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Question #: 22

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

One of the developers on your team deployed their application in Google Container Engine with the Dockerfile below. They report that their application deployments are taking too long.

FROM ubuntu:16.04

COPY . /src

RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y python python-pip

RUN pip install -r requirements.txt

You want to optimize this Dockerfile for faster deployment times without adversely affecting the app's functionality.

Which two actions should you take? (Choose two.)

- A. Remove Python after running pip
- B. Remove dependencies from requirements.txt
- C. Use a slimmed-down base image like Alpine Linux
- D. Use larger machine types for your Google Container Engine node pools
- E. Copy the source after he package dependencies (Python and pip) are installed

A small number of API requests to your microservices-based application take a very long time. You know that each request to the API can traverse many services. You want to know which service takes the longest in those cases.

What should you do?

- A. Set timeouts on your application so that you can fail requests faster
- B. Send custom metrics for each of your requests to Stackdriver Monitoring
- C. Use Stackdriver Monitoring to look for insights that show when your API latencies are high
- D. Instrument your application with Stackdriver Trace in order to break down the request latencies at each microservice

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Auditors visit your teams every 12 months and ask to review all the Google Cloud Identity and Access Management (Cloud IAM) policy changes in the previous 12 months. You want to streamline and expedite the analysis and audit process.

What should you do?

- A. Create custom Google Stackdriver alerts and send them to the auditor
- B. Enable Logging export to Google BigQuery and use ACLs and views to scope the data shared with the auditor
- C. Use cloud functions to transfer log entries to Google Cloud SQL and use ACLs and views to limit an auditor's view
- D. Enable Google Cloud Storage (GCS) log export to audit logs into a GCS bucket and delegate access to the bucket

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Question #: 30

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A lead engineer wrote a custom tool that deploys virtual machines in the legacy data center. He wants to migrate the custom tool to the new cloud environment.

You want to advocate for the adoption of Google Cloud Deployment Manager.

What are two business risks of migrating to Cloud Deployment Manager? (Choose two.)

- A. Cloud Deployment Manager uses Python
- B. Cloud Deployment Manager APIs could be deprecated in the future
- C. Cloud Deployment Manager is unfamiliar to the company's engineers
- D. Cloud Deployment Manager requires a Google APIs service account to run
- E. Cloud Deployment Manager can be used to permanently delete cloud resources
- F. Cloud Deployment Manager only supports automation of Google Cloud resources

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Question #: 31

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A development manager is building a new application. He asks you to review his requirements and identify what cloud technologies he can use to meet them. The application must:

- 1. Be based on open-source technology for cloud portability
- 2. Dynamically scale compute capacity based on demand
- 3. Support continuous software delivery
- 4. Run multiple segregated copies of the same application stack
- 5. Deploy application bundles using dynamic templates
- 6. Route network traffic to specific services based on URL

Which combination of technologies will meet all of his requirements?

- A. Google Kubernetes Engine, Jenkins, and Helm
- B. Google Kubernetes Engine and Cloud Load Balancing
- C. Google Kubernetes Engine and Cloud Deployment Manager
- D. Google Kubernetes Engine, Jenkins, and Cloud Load Balancing

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Question #: 32

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have created several pre-emptible Linux virtual machine instances using Google Compute Engine. You want to properly shut down your application before the virtual machines are preempted.

What should you do?

- A. Create a shutdown script named k99.shutdown in the /etc/rc.6.d/ directory
- B. Create a shutdown script registered as a xinetd service in Linux and configure a Stackdriver endpoint check to call the service
- C. Create a shutdown script and use it as the value for a new metadata entry with the key shutdown-script in the Cloud Platform Console when you create the new virtual machine instance
- D. Create a shutdown script, registered as a xinetd service in Linux, and use the gcloud compute instances add-metadata command to specify the service URL as the value for a new metadata entry with the key shutdown-script-url

Question #: 33

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your organization has a 3-tier web application deployed in the same network on Google Cloud Platform. Each tier (web, API, and database) scales independently of the others. Network traffic should flow through the web to the API tier and then on to the database tier. Traffic should not flow between the web and the database tier. How should you configure the network?

- A. Add each tier to a different subnetwork
- B. Set up software based firewalls on individual VMs
- C. Add tags to each tier and set up routes to allow the desired traffic flow
- D. Add tags to each tier and set up firewall rules to allow the desired traffic flow

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Question #: 34

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your development team has installed a new Linux kernel module on the batch servers in Google Compute Engine (GCE) virtual machines (VMs) to speed up the nightly batch process. Two days after the installation, 50% of the batch servers failed the nightly batch run. You want to collect details on the failure to pass back to the development team.

Which three actions should you take? (Choose three.)

- A. Use Stackdriver Logging to search for the module log entries
- B. Read the debug GCE Activity log using the API or Cloud Console
- C. Use gcloud or Cloud Console to connect to the serial console and observe the logs
- D. Identify whether a live migration event of the failed server occurred, using in the activity log
- E. Adjust the Google Stackdriver timeline to match the failure time, and observe the batch server metrics
- F. Export a debug VM into an image, and run the image on a local server where kernel log messages will be displayed on the native screen

Question #: 35

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company wants to try out the cloud with low risk. They want to archive approximately 100 TB of their log data to the cloud and test the analytics features available to them there, while also retaining that data as a long-term disaster recovery backup.

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Which two steps should you take? (Choose two.)

- A. Load logs into Google BigQuery
- B. Load logs into Google Cloud SQL
- C. Import logs into Google Stackdriver
- D. Insert logs into Google Cloud Bigtable
- E. Upload log files into Google Cloud Storage

- A. Log in to a server, and iterate on the fox locally
- B. Revert the source code change, and rerun the deployment pipeline
- C. Log into the servers with the bad code change, and swap in the previous code
- D. Change the instance group template to the previous one, and delete all instances

Question #: 38

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You deploy your custom Java application to Google App Engine. It fails to deploy and gives you the following stack trace. What should you do?

```
java.lang.SecurityException: SHA1 digest error for
com/Altostrat/CloakedServlet.class
     at com.google.appengine.runtime.Request.process
-d36f818a24b8cf1d (Request.java)
     at
sun.security.util.ManifestEntryVerifier.verify
(ManifestEntryVerifier.java:210)
     at java.util.jar.JarVerifier.processEntry
(JarVerifier.java:218)
     at java.util.jar.JarVerifier.update
(JarVerifier.java:205)
java.util.jar.JarVerifiersVerifierStream.read
(JarVerifier.java:428)
     at sun.misc.Resource.getBytes
(Resource.java:124)
     at java.net.URL.ClassLoader.defineClass
(URLClassLoader.java:273)
     at sun.reflect.GeneratedMethodAccessor5.invoke
(Unknown Source)
     at.
sun.reflect.DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.invoke
(DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.java:43)
     at java.lang.reflect.Method.invoke
(Method.java:616)
     at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass
(ClassLoader.java:266)
```

- A. Upload missing JAR files and redeploy your application.
- B. Digitally sign all of your JAR files and redeploy your application
- C. Recompile the CLoakedServlet class using and MD5 hash instead of SHA1

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Question #: 40

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

As part of implementing their disaster recovery plan, your company is trying to replicate their production MySQL database from their private data center to their GCP project using a Google Cloud VPN connection. They are experiencing latency issues and a small amount of packet loss that is disrupting the replication. What should they do?

- A. Configure their replication to use UDP.
- B. Configure a Google Cloud Dedicated Interconnect.
- C. Restore their database daily using Google Cloud SQL.
- D. Add additional VPN connections and load balance them.
- E. Send the replicated transaction to Google Cloud Pub/Sub.

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- A. Utilize free tier and sustained use discounts. Provision a staff position for service cost management.
- B. Utilize free tier and sustained use discounts. Provide training to the team about service cost management.
- C. Utilize free tier and committed use discounts. Provision a staff position for service cost management.
- D. Utilize free tier and committed use discounts. Provide training to the team about service cost management.

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Question #: 45

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are building a continuous deployment pipeline for a project stored in a Git source repository and want to ensure that code changes can be verified before deploying to production. What should you do?

- A. Use Spinnaker to deploy builds to production using the red/black deployment strategy so that changes can easily be rolled back.
- B. Use Spinnaker to deploy builds to production and run tests on production deployments.
- C. Use Jenkins to build the staging branches and the master branch. Build and deploy changes to production for 10% of users before doing a complete rollout.
- D. Use Jenkins to monitor tags in the repository. Deploy staging tags to a staging environment for testing. After testing, tag the repository for production and deploy that to the production environment.

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Question #: 46

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have an outage in your Compute Engine managed instance group: all instances keep restarting after 5 seconds. You have a health check configured, but autoscaling is disabled. Your colleague, who is a Linux expert, offered to look into the issue. You need to make sure that he can access the VMs. What should you do?

- A. Grant your colleague the IAM role of project Viewer
- B. Perform a rolling restart on the instance group
- C. Disable the health check for the instance group. Add his SSH key to the project-wide SSH Keys
- D. Disable autoscaling for the instance group. Add his SSH key to the project-wide SSH Keys

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Question #: 50

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are migrating your on-premises solution to Google Cloud in several phases. You will use Cloud VPN to maintain a connection between your on-premises systems and Google Cloud until the migration is completed. You want to make sure all your on-premise systems remain reachable during this period. How should you organize your networking in Google Cloud?

- A. Use the same IP range on Google Cloud as you use on-premises
- B. Use the same IP range on Google Cloud as you use on-premises for your primary IP range and use a secondary range that does not overlap with the range you use on-premises
- C. Use an IP range on Google Cloud that does not overlap with the range you use on-premises
- D. Use an IP range on Google Cloud that does not overlap with the range you use on-premises for your primary IP range and use a secondary range with the same IP range as you use on-premises

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Question #: 52

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have an application that will run on Compute Engine. You need to design an architecture that takes into account a disaster recovery plan that requires your application to fail over to another region in case of a regional outage. What should you do?

- A. Deploy the application on two Compute Engine instances in the same project but in a different region. Use the first instance to serve traffic, and use the HTTP load balancing service to fail over to the standby instance in case of a disaster.
- B. Deploy the application on a Compute Engine instance. Use the instance to serve traffic, and use the HTTP load balancing service to fail over to an instance on your premises in case of a disaster.
- C. Deploy the application on two Compute Engine instance groups, each in the same project but in a different region. Use the first instance group to serve traffic, and use the HTTP load balancing service to fail over to the standby instance group in case of a disaster.
- D. Deploy the application on two Compute Engine instance groups, each in a separate project and a different region. Use the first instance group to serve traffic, and use the HTTP load balancing service to fail over to the standby instance group in case of a disaster.

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- B. Deploy your application on App Engine standard environment and use Cloud VPN to limit access to the on-premises database.
- C. Deploy your application on App Engine flexible environment and use App Engine firewall rules to limit access to the on-premises database.
- D. Deploy your application on App Engine flexible environment and use Cloud VPN to limit access to the on-premises database.

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Question #: 54

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are working in a highly secured environment where public Internet access from the Compute Engine VMs is not allowed. You do not yet have a VPN connection to access an on-premises file server. You need to install specific software on a Compute Engine instance. How should you install the software?

- A. Upload the required installation files to Cloud Storage. Configure the VM on a subnet with a Private Google Access subnet. Assign only an internal IP address to the VM. Download the installation files to the VM using gsutil.
- B. Upload the required installation files to Cloud Storage and use firewall rules to block all traffic except the IP address range for Cloud Storage. Download the files to the VM using gsutil.
- C. Upload the required installation files to Cloud Source Repositories. Configure the VM on a subnet with a Private Google Access subnet. Assign only an internal IP address to the VM. Download the installation files to the VM using gcloud.
- D. Upload the required installation files to Cloud Source Repositories and use firewall rules to block all traffic except the IP address range for Cloud Source Repositories. Download the files to the VM using gsutil.

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service. You need to perform an update to the application with minimal downtime to the application. What should you do?

- A. Use kubectl set image deployment/echo-deployment <new-image>
- B. Use the rolling update functionality of the Instance Group behind the Kubernetes cluster
- C. Update the deployment yaml file with the new container image. Use kubectl delete deployment/echo-deployment and kubectl create x€"f <yaml-file>
- D. Update the service yaml file which the new container image. Use kubectl delete service/echo-service and kubectl create x€"f <yaml-file>

Question #: 57

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is using BigQuery as its enterprise data warehouse. Data is distributed over several Google Cloud projects. All queries on BigQuery need to be billed on a single project. You want to make sure that no query costs are incurred on the projects that contain the data. Users should be able to query the datasets, but not edit them.

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How should you configure users' access roles?

- A. Add all users to a group. Grant the group the role of BigQuery user on the billing project and BigQuery dataViewer on the projects that contain the data.
- B. Add all users to a group. Grant the group the roles of BigQuery dataViewer on the billing project and BigQuery user on the projects that contain the data.
- C. Add all users to a group. Grant the group the roles of BigQuery jobUser on the billing project and BigQuery dataViewer on the projects that contain the data.
- D. Add all users to a group. Grant the group the roles of BigQuery dataViewer on the billing project and BigQuery jobUser on the projects that contain the data.

Question #: 58

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have developed an application using Cloud ML Engine that recognizes famous paintings from uploaded images. You want to test the application and allow specific people to upload images for the next 24 hours. Not all users have a Google Account. How should you have users upload images?

- A. Have users upload the images to Cloud Storage. Protect the bucket with a password that expires after 24 hours.
- B. Have users upload the images to Cloud Storage using a signed URL that expires after 24 hours.
- C. Create an App Engine web application where users can upload images. Configure App Engine to disable the application after 24 hours. Authenticate users via Cloud Identity.
- D. Create an App Engine web application where users can upload images for the next 24 hours. Authenticate users via Cloud Identity.

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Question #: 59

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your web application must comply with the requirements of the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). You are responsible for the technical architecture of your web application. What should you do?

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- A. Ensure that your web application only uses native features and services of Google Cloud Platform, because Google already has various certifications and provides x€pass-onx€ compliance when you use native features.
- B. Enable the relevant GDPR compliance setting within the GCPConsole for each of the services in use within your application.
- C. Ensure that Cloud Security Scanner is part of your test planning strategy in order to pick up any compliance gaps.
- D. Define a design for the security of data in your web application that meets GDPR requirements.

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your customer wants to capture multiple GBs of aggregate real-time key performance indicators (KPIs) from their game servers running on Google Cloud Platform and monitor the KPIs with low latency. How should they capture the KPIs?

- A. Store time-series data from the game servers in Google Bigtable, and view it using Google Data Studio.
- B. Output custom metrics to Stackdriver from the game servers, and create a Dashboard in Stackdriver Monitoring Console to view them.
- C. Schedule BigQuery load jobs to ingest analytics files uploaded to Cloud Storage every ten minutes, and visualize the results in Google Data Studio.
- D. Insert the KPIs into Cloud Datastore entities, and run ad hoc analysis and visualizations of them in Cloud Datalab.

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Question #: 67

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have a Python web application with many dependencies that requires 0.1 CPU cores and 128 MB of memory to operate in production. You want to monitor and maximize machine utilization. You also want to reliably deploy new versions of the application. Which set of steps should you take?

- A. Perform the following: 1. Create a managed instance group with f1-micro type machines. 2. Use a startup script to clone the repository, check out the production branch, install the dependencies, and start the Python app. 3. Restart the instances to automatically deploy new production releases.
- B. Perform the following: 1. Create a managed instance group with n1-standard-1 type machines. 2. Build a Compute Engine image from the production branch that contains all of the dependencies and automatically starts the Python app. 3. Rebuild the Compute Engine image, and update the instance template to deploy new production releases.
- C. Perform the following: 1. Create a Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) cluster with n1-standard-1 type machines. 2. Build a Docker image from the production branch with all of the dependencies, and tag it with the version number. 3. Create a Kubernetes Deployment with the imagePullPolicy set to 'IfNotPresent' in the staging namespace, and then promote it to the production namespace after testing.
- D. Perform the following: 1. Create a GKE cluster with n1-standard-4 type machines. 2. Build a Docker image from the master branch with all of the dependencies, and tag it with 'latest'. 3. Create a Kubernetes Deployment in the default namespace with the imagePullPolicy set to 'Always'. Restart the pods to automatically deploy new production releases.

Question #: 69

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are running a cluster on Kubernetes Engine (GKE) to serve a web application. Users are reporting that a specific part of the application is not responding anymore. You notice that all pods of your deployment keep restarting after 2 seconds. The application writes logs to standard output. You want to inspect the logs to find the cause of the issue. Which approach can you take?

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- A. Review the Stackdriver logs for each Compute Engine instance that is serving as a node in the cluster.
- B. Review the Stackdriver logs for the specific GKE container that is serving the unresponsive part of the application.
- C. Connect to the cluster using gcloud credentials and connect to a container in one of the pods to read the logs.
- D. Review the Serial Port logs for each Compute Engine instance that is serving as a node in the cluster.

Question #: 71

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is running a stateless application on a Compute Engine instance. The application is used heavily during regular business hours and lightly outside of business hours. Users are reporting that the application is slow during peak hours. You need to optimize the application's performance. What should you do?

- A. Create a snapshot of the existing disk. Create an instance template from the snapshot. Create an autoscaled managed instance group from the instance template.
- B. Create a snapshot of the existing disk. Create a custom image from the snapshot. Create an autoscaled managed instance group from the custom image.
- C. Create a custom image from the existing disk. Create an instance template from the custom image. Create an autoscaled managed instance group from the instance template.
- D. Create an instance template from the existing disk. Create a custom image from the instance template. Create an autoscaled managed instance group from the custom image.

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Actual exam question from Google's Professional Cloud Architect

Question #: 73

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are using Cloud SQL as the database backend for a large CRM deployment. You want to scale as usage increases and ensure that you don't run out of storage, maintain 75% CPU usage cores, and keep replication lag below 60 seconds. What are the correct steps to meet your requirements?

- A. 1. Enable automatic storage increase for the instance. 2. Create a Stackdriver alert when CPU usage exceeds 75%, and change the instance type to reduce CPU usage. 3. Create a Stackdriver alert for replication lag, and shard the database to reduce replication time.
- B. 1. Enable automatic storage increase for the instance. 2. Change the instance type to a 32-core machine type to keep CPU usage below 75%. 3. Create a Stackdriver alert for replication lag, and deploy memcache to reduce load on the master.
- C. 1. Create a Stackdriver alert when storage exceeds 75%, and increase the available storage on the instance to create more space. 2. Deploy memcached to reduce CPU load. 3. Change the instance type to a 32-core machine type to reduce replication lag.
- D. 1. Create a Stackdriver alert when storage exceeds 75%, and increase the available storage on the instance to create more space. 2. Deploy memcached to reduce CPU load. 3. Create a Stackdriver alert for replication lag, and change the instance type to a 32-core machine type to reduce replication lag.

Question #: 75

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have deployed an application to Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE), and are using the Cloud SQL proxy container to make the Cloud SQL database available to the services running on Kubernetes. You are notified that the application is reporting database connection issues. Your company policies require a post-mortem. What should you do?

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- A. Use gcloud sql instances restart.
- B. Validate that the Service Account used by the Cloud SQL proxy container still has the Cloud Build Editor role.
- C. In the GCP Console, navigate to Stackdriver Logging. Consult logs for (GKE) and Cloud SQL.
- D. In the GCP Console, navigate to Cloud SQL. Restore the latest backup. Use kubectl to restart all pods.

Question #: 80

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You need to develop procedures to verify resilience of disaster recovery for remote recovery using GCP. Your production environment is hosted on-premises. You need to establish a secure, redundant connection between your on-premises network and the GCP network.

What should you do?

- A. Verify that Dedicated Interconnect can replicate files to GCP. Verify that direct peering can establish a secure connection between your networks if Dedicated Interconnect fails.
- B. Verify that Dedicated Interconnect can replicate files to GCP. Verify that Cloud VPN can establish a secure connection between your networks if Dedicated Interconnect fails.
- C. Verify that the Transfer Appliance can replicate files to GCP. Verify that direct peering can establish a secure connection between your networks if the Transfer Appliance fails.
- D. Verify that the Transfer Appliance can replicate files to GCP. Verify that Cloud VPN can establish a secure connection between your networks if the Transfer Appliance fails.

Question #: 81

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company operates nationally and plans to use GCP for multiple batch workloads, including some that are not time-critical. You also need to use GCP services that are HIPAA-certified and manage service costs.

How should you design to meet Google best practices?

- A. Provision preemptible VMs to reduce cost. Discontinue use of all GCP services and APIs that are not HIPAA-compliant.
- B. Provision preemptible VMs to reduce cost. Disable and then discontinue use of all GCP services and APIs that are not HIPAA-compliant.
- C. Provision standard VMs in the same region to reduce cost. Discontinue use of all GCP services and APIs that are not HIPAA-compliant.
- D. Provision standard VMs to the same region to reduce cost. Disable and then discontinue use of all GCP services and APIs that are not HIPAA-compliant.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your customer wants to do resilience testing of their authentication layer. This consists of a regional managed instance group serving a public REST API that reads from and writes to a Cloud SQL instance.

What should you do?

- A. Engage with a security company to run web scrapers that look your for users' authentication data om malicious websites and notify you if any is found.
- B. Deploy intrusion detection software to your virtual machines to detect and log unauthorized access.
- C. Schedule a disaster simulation exercise during which you can shut off all VMs in a zone to see how your application behaves.
- D. Configure a read replica for your Cloud SQL instance in a different zone than the master, and then manually trigger a failover while monitoring KPIs for our REST API.

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Question #: 84

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You want to automate the creation of a managed instance group. The VMs have many OS package dependencies. You want to minimize the startup time for new VMs in the instance group.

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What should you do?

- A. Use Terraform to create the managed instance group and a startup script to install the OS package dependencies.
- B. Create a custom VM image with all OS package dependencies. Use Deployment Manager to create the managed instance group with the VM image.
- C. Use Puppet to create the managed instance group and install the OS package dependencies.
- D. Use Deployment Manager to create the managed instance group and Ansible to install the OS package dependencies.

Question #: 85

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company captures all web traffic data in Google Analytics 360 and stores it in BigQuery. Each country has its own dataset. Each dataset has multiple tables.

You want analysts from each country to be able to see and query only the data for their respective countries.

How should you configure the access rights?

- A. Create a group per country. Add analysts to their respective country-groups. Create a single group 'all_analysts', and add all country-groups as members. Grant the 'all_analysts' group the IAM role of BigQuery jobUser. Share the appropriate dataset with view access with each respective analyst country-group.
- B. Create a group per country. Add analysts to their respective country-groups. Create a single group 'all_analysts', and add all country-groups as members. Grant the 'all_analysts' group the IAM role of BigQuery jobUser. Share the appropriate tables with view access with each respective analyst country-group.
- C. Create a group per country. Add analysts to their respective country-groups. Create a single group 'all_analysts', and add all country-groups as members. Grant the 'all_analysts' group the IAM role of BigQuery dataViewer. Share the appropriate dataset with view access with each respective analyst country- group.
- D. Create a group per country. Add analysts to their respective country-groups. Create a single group 'all_analysts', and add all country-groups as members. Grant the 'all_analysts' group the IAM role of BigQuery dataViewer. Share the appropriate table with view access with each respective analyst country-group.

Question #: 86

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have been engaged by your client to lead the migration of their application infrastructure to GCP. One of their current problems is that the on-premises high performance SAN is requiring frequent and expensive upgrades to keep up with the variety of workloads that are identified as follows: 20 TB of log archives retained for legal reasons; 500 GB of VM boot/data volumes and templates; 500 GB of image thumbnails; 200 GB of customer session state data that allows customers to restart sessions even if off-line for several days.

Which of the following best reflects your recommendations for a cost-effective storage allocation?

- A. Local SSD for customer session state data. Lifecycle-managed Cloud Storage for log archives, thumbnails, and VM boot/data volumes.
- B. Memcache backed by Cloud Datastore for the customer session state data. Lifecycle-managed Cloud Storage for log archives, thumbnails, and VM boot/data volumes.
- C. Memcache backed by Cloud SQL for customer session state data. Assorted local SSD-backed instances for VM boot/data volumes. Cloud Storage for log archives and thumbnails.
- D. Memcache backed by Persistent Disk SSD storage for customer session state data. Assorted local SSD-backed instances for VM boot/data volumes. Cloud Storage for log archives and thumbnails.

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Question #: 89

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your architecture calls for the centralized collection of all admin activity and VM system logs within your project.

How should you collect these logs from both VMs and services?

- A. All admin and VM system logs are automatically collected by Stackdriver.
- B. Stackdriver automatically collects admin activity logs for most services. The Stackdriver Logging agent must be installed on each instance to collect system. logs.
- C. Launch a custom syslogd compute instance and configure your GCP project and VMs to forward all logs to it.
- D. Install the Stackdriver Logging agent on a single compute instance and let it collect all audit and access logs for your environment.

Question #: 91

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

All Compute Engine instances in your VPC should be able to connect to an Active Directory server on specific ports. Any other traffic emerging from your instances is not allowed. You want to enforce this using VPC firewall rules.

How should you configure the firewall rules?

- A. Create an egress rule with priority 1000 to deny all traffic for all instances. Create another egress rule with priority 100 to allow the Active Directory traffic for all instances.
- B. Create an egress rule with priority 100 to deny all traffic for all instances. Create another egress rule with priority 1000 to allow the Active Directory traffic for all instances.
- C. Create an egress rule with priority 1000 to allow the Active Directory traffic. Rely on the implied deny egress rule with priority 100 to block all traffic for all instances.
- D. Create an egress rule with priority 100 to allow the Active Directory traffic. Rely on the implied deny egress rule with priority 1000 to block all traffic for all instances.

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Question #: 92

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your customer runs a web service used by e-commerce sites to offer product recommendations to users. The company has begun experimenting with a machine learning model on Google Cloud Platform to improve the quality of results.

What should the customer do to improve their model's results over time?

- A. Export Cloud Machine Learning Engine performance metrics from Stackdriver to BigQuery, to be used to analyze the efficiency of the model.
- B. Build a roadmap to move the machine learning model training from Cloud GPUs to Cloud TPUs, which offer better results.
- C. Monitor Compute Engine announcements for availability of newer CPU architectures, and deploy the model to them as soon as they are available for additional performance.
- D. Save a history of recommendations and results of the recommendations in BigQuery, to be used as training data.

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Question #: 93

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A development team at your company has created a dockerized HTTPS web application. You need to deploy the application on Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) and make sure that the application scales automatically.

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How should you deploy to GKE?

- A. Use the Horizontal Pod Autoscaler and enable cluster autoscaling. Use an Ingress resource to load-balance the HTTPS traffic.
- B. Use the Horizontal Pod Autoscaler and enable cluster autoscaling on the Kubernetes cluster. Use a Service resource of type LoadBalancer to load-balance the HTTPS traffic.
- C. Enable autoscaling on the Compute Engine instance group. Use an Ingress resource to load-balance the HTTPS traffic.
- D. Enable autoscaling on the Compute Engine instance group. Use a Service resource of type LoadBalancer to load-balance the HTTPS traffic.

What should you do?

- A. Use Deployment Manager to automate service provisioning. Use Activity Logs to monitor and debug your tests.
- B. Use Deployment Manager to automate service provisioning. Use Stackdriver to monitor and debug your tests.
- C. Use gcloud scripts to automate service provisioning. Use Activity Logs to monitor and debug your tests.
- D. Use gcloud scripts to automate service provisioning. Use Stackdriver to monitor and debug your tests.

Question #: 97

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company creates rendering software which users can download from the company website. Your company has customers all over the world. You want to minimize latency for all your customers. You want to follow Google-recommended practices.

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How should you store the files?

- A. Save the files in a Multi-Regional Cloud Storage bucket.
- B. Save the files in a Regional Cloud Storage bucket, one bucket per zone of the region.
- C. Save the files in multiple Regional Cloud Storage buckets, one bucket per zone per region.
- D. Save the files in multiple Multi-Regional Cloud Storage buckets, one bucket per multi-region.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company acquired a healthcare startup and must retain its customers' medical information for up to 4 more years, depending on when it was created. Your corporate policy is to securely retain this data, and then delete it as soon as regulations allow.

Which approach should you take?

- A. Store the data in Google Drive and manually delete records as they expire.
- B. Anonymize the data using the Cloud Data Loss Prevention API and store it indefinitely.
- C. Store the data in Cloud Storage and use lifecycle management to delete files when they expire.
- D. Store the data in Cloud Storage and run a nightly batch script that deletes all expired data.

Question #: 99

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are deploying a PHP App Engine Standard service with Cloud SQL as the backend. You want to minimize the number of queries to the database. What should you do?

- A. Set the memcache service level to dedicated. Create a key from the hash of the query, and return database values from memcache before issuing a query to Cloud SQL.
- B. Set the memcache service level to dedicated. Create a cron task that runs every minute to populate the cache with keys containing query results.
- C. Set the memcache service level to shared. Create a cron task that runs every minute to save all expected queries to a key called x€cached_queriesx€.
- D. Set the memcache service level to shared. Create a key called x€cached_queriesx€, and return database values from the key before using a query to Cloud SQL.

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Question #: 100

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You need to ensure reliability for your application and operations by supporting reliable task scheduling for compute on GCP. Leveraging Google best practices, what should you do?

- A. Using the Cron service provided by App Engine, publish messages directly to a message-processing utility service running on Compute Engine instances.
- B. Using the Cron service provided by App Engine, publish messages to a Cloud Pub/Sub topic. Subscribe to that topic using a message-processing utility service running on Compute Engine instances.
- C. Using the Cron service provided by Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE), publish messages directly to a message-processing utility service running on Compute Engine instances.
- D. Using the Cron service provided by GKE, publish messages to a Cloud Pub/Sub topic. Subscribe to that topic using a message-processing utility service running on Compute Engine instances.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is building a new architecture to support its data-centric business focus. You are responsible for setting up the network. Your company's mobile and web-facing applications will be deployed on-premises, and all data analysis will be conducted in GCP. The plan is to process and load 7 years of archived .csv files totaling 900 TB of data and then continue loading 10 TB of data daily. You currently have an existing 100-MB internet connection.

What actions will meet your company's needs?

- A. Compress and upload both archived files and files uploaded daily using the gsutil x€"m option.
- B. Lease a Transfer Appliance, upload archived files to it, and send it to Google to transfer archived data to Cloud Storage. Establish a connection with Google using a Dedicated Interconnect or Direct Peering connection and use it to upload files daily.
- C. Lease a Transfer Appliance, upload archived files to it, and send it to Google to transfer archived data to Cloud Storage. Establish one Cloud VPN Tunnel to VPC networks over the public internet, and compress and upload files daily using the gsutil x€"m option.
- D. Lease a Transfer Appliance, upload archived files to it, and send it to Google to transfer archived data to Cloud Storage. Establish a Cloud VPN Tunnel to VPC networks over the public internet, and compress and upload files daily.

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Question #: 103

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is planning to perform a lift and shift migration of their Linux RHEL 6.5+ virtual machines. The virtual machines are running in an on-premises VMware environment. You want to migrate them to Compute Engine following Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

- A. 1. Define a migration plan based on the list of the applications and their dependencies. 2. Migrate all virtual machines into Compute Engine individually with Migrate for Compute Engine.
- B. 1. Perform an assessment of virtual machines running in the current VMware environment. 2. Create images of all disks. Import disks on Compute Engine. 3. Create standard virtual machines where the boot disks are the ones you have imported.
- C. 1. Perform an assessment of virtual machines running in the current VMware environment. 2. Define a migration plan, prepare a Migrate for Compute Engine migration RunBook, and execute the migration.
- D. 1. Perform an assessment of virtual machines running in the current VMware environment. 2. Install a third-party agent on all selected virtual machines. 3. Migrate all virtual machines into Compute Engine.

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Question #: 104

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You need to deploy an application to Google Cloud. The application receives traffic via TCP and reads and writes data to the filesystem. The application does not support horizontal scaling. The application process requires full control over the data on the file system because concurrent access causes corruption. The business is willing to accept a downtime when an incident occurs, but the application must be available 24/7 to support their business operations. You need to design the architecture of this application on Google Cloud. What should you do?

- A. Use a managed instance group with instances in multiple zones, use Cloud Filestore, and use an HTTP load balancer in front of the instances.
- B. Use a managed instance group with instances in multiple zones, use Cloud Filestore, and use a network load balancer in front of the instances.
- C. Use an unmanaged instance group with an active and standby instance in different zones, use a regional persistent disk, and use an HTTP load balancer in front of the instances.
- D. Use an unmanaged instance group with an active and standby instance in different zones, use a regional persistent disk, and use a network load balancer in front of the instances.

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Question #: 106

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are managing an application deployed on Cloud Run for Anthos, and you need to define a strategy for deploying new versions of the application. You want to evaluate the new code with a subset of production traffic to decide whether to proceed with the rollout. What should you do?

- A. Deploy a new revision to Cloud Run with the new version. Configure traffic percentage between revisions.
- B. Deploy a new service to Cloud Run with the new version. Add a Cloud Load Balancing instance in front of both services.
- C. In the Google Cloud Console page for Cloud Run, set up continuous deployment using Cloud Build for the development branch. As part of the Cloud Build trigger, configure the substitution variable TRAFFIC_PERCENTAGE with the percentage of traffic you want directed to a new version.
- D. In the Google Cloud Console, configure Traffic Director with a new Service that points to the new version of the application on Cloud Run. Configure Traffic Director to send a small percentage of traffic to the new version of the application.

Question #: 107

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are monitoring Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) clusters in a Cloud Monitoring workspace. As a Site Reliability Engineer (SRE), you need to triage incidents quickly. What should you do?

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- A. Navigate the predefined dashboards in the Cloud Monitoring workspace, and then add metrics and create alert policies.
- B. Navigate the predefined dashboards in the Cloud Monitoring workspace, create custom metrics, and install alerting software on a Compute Engine instance.
- C. Write a shell script that gathers metrics from GKE nodes, publish these metrics to a Pub/Sub topic, export the data to BigQuery, and make a Data Studio dashboard.
- D. Create a custom dashboard in the Cloud Monitoring workspace for each incident, and then add metrics and create alert policies.

Question #: 109

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are working at a sports association whose members range in age from 8 to 30. The association collects a large amount of health data, such as sustained injuries. You are storing this data in BigQuery. Current legislation requires you to delete such information upon request of the subject. You want to design a solution that can accommodate such a request. What should you do?

- A. Use a unique identifier for each individual. Upon a deletion request, delete all rows from BigQuery with this identifier.
- B. When ingesting new data in BigQuery, run the data through the Data Loss Prevention (DLP) API to identify any personal information. As part of the DLP scan, save the result to Data Catalog. Upon a deletion request, query Data Catalog to find the column with personal information.
- C. Create a BigQuery view over the table that contains all data. Upon a deletion request, exclude the rows that affect the subject's data from this view. Use this view instead of the source table for all analysis tasks.
- D. Use a unique identifier for each individual. Upon a deletion request, overwrite the column with the unique identifier with a salted SHA256 of its value.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has announced that they will be outsourcing operations functions. You want to allow developers to easily stage new versions of a cloud-based application in the production environment and allow the outsourced operations team to autonomously promote staged versions to production. You want to minimize the operational overhead of the solution. Which Google Cloud product should you migrate to?

- A. App Engine
- B. GKE On-Prem
- C. Compute Engine
- D. Google Kubernetes Engine

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Actual exam question from Google's Professional Cloud Architect

Question #: 111

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is running its application workloads on Compute Engine. The applications have been deployed in production, acceptance, and development environments. The production environment is business-critical and is used 24/7, while the acceptance and development environments are only critical during office hours. Your CFO has asked you to optimize these environments to achieve cost savings during idle times. What should you do?

- A. Create a shell script that uses the gcloud command to change the machine type of the development and acceptance instances to a smaller machine type outside of office hours. Schedule the shell script on one of the production instances to automate the task.
- B. Use Cloud Scheduler to trigger a Cloud Function that will stop the development and acceptance environments after office hours and start them just before office hours.
- C. Deploy the development and acceptance applications on a managed instance group and enable autoscaling.
- D. Use regular Compute Engine instances for the production environment, and use preemptible VMs for the acceptance and development environments.

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Question #: 112

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are moving an application that uses MySQL from on-premises to Google Cloud. The application will run on Compute Engine and will use Cloud SQL. You want to cut over to the Compute Engine deployment of the application with minimal downtime and no data loss to your customers. You want to migrate the application with minimal modification. You also need to determine the cutover strategy. What should you do?

- A. 1. Set up Cloud VPN to provide private network connectivity between the Compute Engine application and the on-premises MySQL server. 2. Stop the on-premises application. 3. Create a mysqldump of the on-premises MySQL server. 4. Upload the dump to a Cloud Storage bucket. 5. Import the dump into Cloud SQL. 6. Modify the source code of the application to write queries to both databases and read from its local database. 7. Start the Compute Engine application. 8. Stop the on-premises application.
- B. 1. Set up Cloud SQL proxy and MySQL proxy. 2. Create a mysqldump of the on-premises MySQL server. 3. Upload the dump to a Cloud Storage bucket. 4. Import the dump into Cloud SQL. 5. Stop the on-premises application. 6. Start the Compute Engine application.
- C. 1. Set up Cloud VPN to provide private network connectivity between the Compute Engine application and the on-premises MySQL server. 2. Stop the on-premises application. 3. Start the Compute Engine application, configured to read and write to the on-premises MySQL server. 4. Create the replication configuration in Cloud SQL. 5. Configure the source database server to accept connections from the Cloud SQL replica. 6. Finalize the Cloud SQL replica configuration. 7. When replication has been completed, stop the Compute Engine application. 8. Promote the Cloud SQL replica to a standalone instance. 9. Restart the Compute Engine application, configured to read and write to the Cloud SQL standalone instance.
- D. 1. Stop the on-premises application. 2. Create a mysqldump of the on-premises MySQL server. 3. Upload the dump to a Cloud Storage bucket. 4. Import the dump into Cloud SQL. 5. Start the application on Compute Engine.

Question #: 114

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company uses the Firewall Insights feature in the Google Network Intelligence Center. You have several firewall rules applied to Compute Engine instances.

You need to evaluate the efficiency of the applied firewall ruleset. When you bring up the Firewall Insights page in the Google Cloud Console, you notice that there are no log rows to display. What should you do to troubleshoot the issue?

- A. Enable Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) flow logging.
- B. Enable Firewall Rules Logging for the firewall rules you want to monitor.
- C. Verify that your user account is assigned the compute.networkAdmin Identity and Access Management (IAM) role.
- D. Install the Google Cloud SDK, and verify that there are no Firewall logs in the command line output.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has sensitive data in Cloud Storage buckets. Data analysts have Identity Access Management (IAM) permissions to read the buckets. You want to prevent data analysts from retrieving the data in the buckets from outside the office network. What should you do?

- A. 1. Create a VPC Service Controls perimeter that includes the projects with the buckets. 2. Create an access level with the CIDR of the office network.
- B. 1. Create a firewall rule for all instances in the Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) network for source range. 2. Use the Classless Inter-domain Routing (CIDR) of the office network.
- C. 1. Create a Cloud Function to remove IAM permissions from the buckets, and another Cloud Function to add IAM permissions to the buckets. 2. Schedule the Cloud Functions with Cloud Scheduler to add permissions at the start of business and remove permissions at the end of business.
- D. 1. Create a Cloud VPN to the office network. 2. Configure Private Google Access for on-premises hosts.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have developed a non-critical update to your application that is running in a managed instance group, and have created a new instance template with the update that you want to release. To prevent any possible impact to the application, you don't want to update any running instances. You want any new instances that are created by the managed instance group to contain the new update. What should you do?

- A. Start a new rolling restart operation.
- B. Start a new rolling replace operation.
- C. Start a new rolling update. Select the Proactive update mode.
- D. Start a new rolling update. Select the Opportunistic update mode.

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Question #: 117

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is designing its application landscape on Compute Engine. Whenever a zonal outage occurs, the application should be restored in another zone as quickly as possible with the latest application data. You need to design the solution to meet this requirement. What should you do?

- A. Create a snapshot schedule for the disk containing the application data. Whenever a zonal outage occurs, use the latest snapshot to restore the disk in the same zone.
- B. Configure the Compute Engine instances with an instance template for the application, and use a regional persistent disk for the application data. Whenever a zonal outage occurs, use the instance template to spin up the application in another zone in the same region. Use the regional persistent disk for the application data.
- C. Create a snapshot schedule for the disk containing the application data. Whenever a zonal outage occurs, use the latest snapshot to restore the disk in another zone within the same region.
- D. Configure the Compute Engine instances with an instance template for the application, and use a regional persistent disk for the application data. Whenever a zonal outage occurs, use the instance template to spin up the application in another region. Use the regional persistent disk for the application data.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has just acquired another company, and you have been asked to integrate their existing Google Cloud environment into your company's data center.

Upon investigation, you discover that some of the RFC 1918 IP ranges being used in the new company's Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) overlap with your data center IP space. What should you do to enable connectivity and make sure that there are no routing conflicts when connectivity is established?

- A. Create a Cloud VPN connection from the new VPC to the data center, create a Cloud Router, and apply new IP addresses so there is no overlapping IP space.
- B. Create a Cloud VPN connection from the new VPC to the data center, and create a Cloud NAT instance to perform NAT on the overlapping IP space.
- C. Create a Cloud VPN connection from the new VPC to the data center, create a Cloud Router, and apply a custom route advertisement to block the overlapping IP space.
- D. Create a Cloud VPN connection from the new VPC to the data center, and apply a firewall rule that blocks the overlapping IP space.

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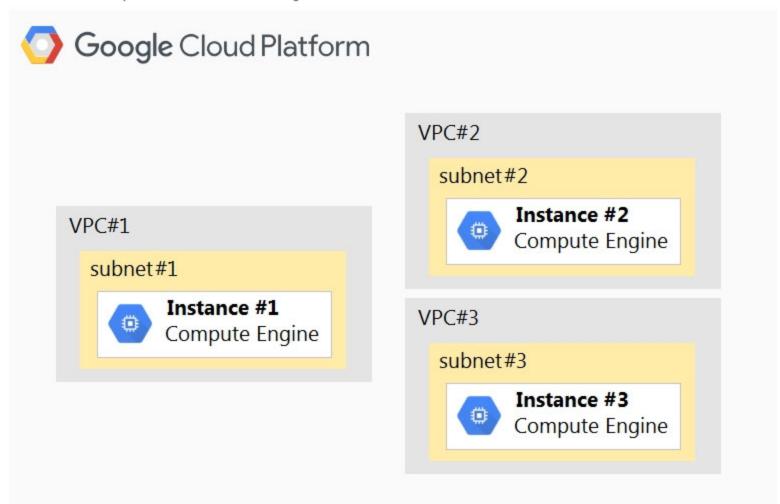
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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a project in Google Cloud with three Virtual Private Clouds (VPCs). There is a Compute Engine instance on each VPC. Network subnets do not overlap and must remain separated. The network configuration is shown below.



Instance #1 is an exception and must communicate directly with both Instance #2 and Instance #3 via internal IPs. How should you accomplish this?

- A. Create a cloud router to advertise subnet #2 and subnet #3 to subnet #1.
- B. Add two additional NICs to Instance #1 with the following configuration: x€¢ NIC1 x − ⟨ VPC: VPC #2 x − ⟨ SUBNETWORK: subnet #2 x€¢ NIC2 x − ⟨ VPC: VPC #3 x − ⟨ SUBNETWORK: subnet #3 Update firewall rules to enable traffic between instances.
- C. Create two VPN tunnels via CloudVPN: 1 ¢€x between VPC #1 and VPC #2. 1 ¢€x between VPC #2 and VPC #3. Update firewall rules to enable traffic between the instances.
- D. Peer all three VPCs: x€¢ Peer VPC #1 with VPC #2. x€¢ Peer VPC #2 with VPC #3. Update firewall rules to enable traffic between the instances.

Question #: 121

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You need to deploy an application on Google Cloud that must run on a Debian Linux environment. The application requires extensive configuration in order to operate correctly. You want to ensure that you can install Debian distribution updates with minimal manual intervention whenever they become available. What should you do?

- A. Create a Compute Engine instance template using the most recent Debian image. Create an instance from this template, and install and configure the application as part of the startup script. Repeat this process whenever a new Google-managed Debian image becomes available.
- B. Create a Debian-based Compute Engine instance, install and configure the application, and use OS patch management to install available updates.
- C. Create an instance with the latest available Debian image. Connect to the instance via SSH, and install and configure the application on the instance. Repeat this process whenever a new Google-managed Debian image becomes available.
- D. Create a Docker container with Debian as the base image. Install and configure the application as part of the Docker image creation process. Host the container on Google Kubernetes Engine and restart the container whenever a new update is available.

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Question #: 122

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have an application that runs in Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE). Over the last 2 weeks, customers have reported that a specific part of the application returns errors very frequently. You currently have no logging or monitoring solution enabled on your GKE cluster. You want to diagnose the problem, but you have not been able to replicate the issue. You want to cause minimal disruption to the application. What should you do?

- A. 1. Update your GKE cluster to use Cloud Operations for GKE. 2. Use the GKE Monitoring dashboard to investigate logs from affected Pods.
- B. 1. Create a new GKE cluster with Cloud Operations for GKE enabled. 2. Migrate the affected Pods to the new cluster, and redirect traffic for those Pods to the new cluster. 3. Use the GKE Monitoring dashboard to investigate logs from affected Pods.
- C. 1. Update your GKE cluster to use Cloud Operations for GKE, and deploy Prometheus. 2. Set an alert to trigger whenever the application returns an error.
- D. 1. Create a new GKE cluster with Cloud Operations for GKE enabled, and deploy Prometheus. 2. Migrate the affected Pods to the new cluster, and redirect traffic for those Pods to the new cluster. 3. Set an alert to trigger whenever the application returns an error.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an application deployed on Anthos clusters (formerly Anthos GKE) that is running multiple microservices. The cluster has both Anthos Service Mesh and Anthos Config Management configured. End users inform you that the application is responding very slowly. You want to identify the microservice that is causing the delay. What should you do?

- A. Use the Service Mesh visualization in the Cloud Console to inspect the telemetry between the microservices.
- B. Use Anthos Config Management to create a ClusterSelector selecting the relevant cluster. On the Google Cloud Console page for Google Kubernetes Engine, view the Workloads and filter on the cluster. Inspect the configurations of the filtered workloads.
- C. Use Anthos Config Management to create a namespaceSelector selecting the relevant cluster namespace. On the Google Cloud Console page for Google Kubernetes Engine, visit the workloads and filter on the namespace. Inspect the configurations of the filtered workloads.
- D. Reinstall istio using the default istio profile in order to collect request latency. Evaluate the telemetry between the microservices in the Cloud Console.

Question #: 125

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are working at a financial institution that stores mortgage loan approval documents on Cloud Storage. Any change to these approval documents must be uploaded as a separate approval file, so you want to ensure that these documents cannot be deleted or overwritten for the next 5 years. What should you do?

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- A. Create a retention policy on the bucket for the duration of 5 years. Create a lock on the retention policy.
- B. Create the bucket with uniform bucket-level access, and grant a service account the role of Object Writer. Use the service account to upload new files.
- C. Use a customer-managed key for the encryption of the bucket. Rotate the key after 5 years.
- D. Create the bucket with fine-grained access control, and grant a service account the role of Object Writer. Use the service account to upload new files.

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Question #: 126

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your team will start developing a new application using microservices architecture on Kubernetes Engine. As part of the development lifecycle, any code change that has been pushed to the remote develop branch on your GitHub repository should be built and tested automatically. When the build and test are successful, the relevant microservice will be deployed automatically in the development environment. You want to ensure that all code deployed in the development environment follows this process. What should you do?

- A. Have each developer install a pre-commit hook on their workstation that tests the code and builds the container when committing on the development branch. After a successful commit, have the developer deploy the newly built container image on the development cluster.
- B. Install a post-commit hook on the remote git repository that tests the code and builds the container when code is pushed to the development branch. After a successful commit, have the developer deploy the newly built container image on the development cluster.
- C. Create a Cloud Build trigger based on the development branch that tests the code, builds the container, and stores it in Container Registry. Create a deployment pipeline that watches for new images and deploys the new image on the development cluster. Ensure only the deployment tool has access to deploy new versions.
- D. Create a Cloud Build trigger based on the development branch to build a new container image and store it in Container Registry. Rely on Vulnerability Scanning to ensure the code tests succeed. As the final step of the Cloud Build process, deploy the new container image on the development cluster. Ensure only Cloud Build has access to deploy new versions.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your operations team has asked you to help diagnose a performance issue in a production application that runs on Compute Engine. The application is dropping requests that reach it when under heavy load. The process list for affected instances shows a single application process that is consuming all available CPU, and autoscaling has reached the upper limit of instances. There is no abnormal load on any other related systems, including the database. You want to allow production traffic to be served again as quickly as possible. Which action should you recommend?

- A. Change the autoscaling metric to agent.googleapis.com/memory/percent_used.
- B. Restart the affected instances on a staggered schedule.
- C. SSH to each instance and restart the application process.
- D. Increase the maximum number of instances in the autoscaling group.

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Question #: 128

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are implementing the infrastructure for a web service on Google Cloud. The web service needs to receive and store the data from 500,000 requests per second. The data will be queried later in real time, based on exact matches of a known set of attributes. There will be periods where the web service will not receive any requests. The business wants to keep costs low. Which web service platform and database should you use for the application?

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- A. Cloud Run and BigQuery
- B. Cloud Run and Cloud Bigtable
- C. A Compute Engine autoscaling managed instance group and BigQuery
- D. A Compute Engine autoscaling managed instance group and Cloud Bigtable

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Actual exam question from Google's Professional Cloud Architect

Question #: 129

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are developing an application using different microservices that should remain internal to the cluster. You want to be able to configure each microservice with a specific number of replicas. You also want to be able to address a specific microservice from any other microservice in a uniform way, regardless of the number of replicas the microservice scales to. You need to implement this solution on Google Kubernetes Engine. What should you do?

- A. Deploy each microservice as a Deployment. Expose the Deployment in the cluster using a Service, and use the Service DNS name to address it from other microservices within the cluster.
- B. Deploy each microservice as a Deployment. Expose the Deployment in the cluster using an Ingress, and use the Ingress IP address to address the Deployment from other microservices within the cluster.
- C. Deploy each microservice as a Pod. Expose the Pod in the cluster using a Service, and use the Service DNS name to address the microservice from other microservices within the cluster.
- D. Deploy each microservice as a Pod. Expose the Pod in the cluster using an Ingress, and use the Ingress IP address name to address the Pod from other microservices within the cluster.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a networking team and a development team. The development team runs applications on Compute Engine instances that contain sensitive data. The development team requires administrative permissions for Compute Engine. Your company requires all network resources to be managed by the networking team. The development team does not want the networking team to have access to the sensitive data on the instances. What should you do?

- A. 1. Create a project with a standalone VPC and assign the Network Admin role to the networking team. 2. Create a second project with a standalone VPC and assign the Compute Admin role to the development team. 3. Use Cloud VPN to join the two VPCs.
- B. 1. Create a project with a standalone Virtual Private Cloud (VPC), assign the Network Admin role to the networking team, and assign the Compute Admin role to the development team.
- C. 1. Create a project with a Shared VPC and assign the Network Admin role to the networking team. 2. Create a second project without a VPC, configure it as a Shared VPC service project, and assign the Compute Admin role to the development team.
- D. 1. Create a project with a standalone VPC and assign the Network Admin role to the networking team. 2. Create a second project with a standalone VPC and assign the Compute Admin role to the development team. 3. Use VPC Peering to join the two VPCs.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company wants you to build a highly reliable web application with a few public APIs as the backend. You don't expect a lot of user traffic, but traffic could spike occasionally. You want to leverage Cloud Load Balancing, and the solution must be cost-effective for users. What should you do?

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- A. Store static content such as HTML and images in Cloud CDN. Host the APIs on App Engine and store the user data in Cloud SQL.
- B. Store static content such as HTML and images in a Cloud Storage bucket. Host the APIs on a zonal Google Kubernetes Engine cluster with worker nodes in multiple zones, and save the user data in Cloud Spanner.
- C. Store static content such as HTML and images in Cloud CDN. Use Cloud Run to host the APIs and save the user data in Cloud SQL.
- D. Store static content such as HTML and images in a Cloud Storage bucket. Use Cloud Functions to host the APIs and save the user data in Firestore.

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company sends all Google Cloud logs to Cloud Logging. Your security team wants to monitor the logs. You want to ensure that the security team can react quickly if an anomaly such as an unwanted firewall change or server breach is detected. You want to follow Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

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- A. Schedule a cron job with Cloud Scheduler. The scheduled job queries the logs every minute for the relevant events.
- B. Export logs to BigQuery, and trigger a guery in BigQuery to process the log data for the relevant events.
- C. Export logs to a Pub/Sub topic, and trigger Cloud Function with the relevant log events.
- D. Export logs to a Cloud Storage bucket, and trigger Cloud Run with the relevant log events.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have deployed several instances on Compute Engine. As a security requirement, instances cannot have a public IP address. There is no VPN connection between Google Cloud and your office, and you need to connect via SSH into a specific machine without violating the security requirements. What should you do?

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- A. Configure Cloud NAT on the subnet where the instance is hosted. Create an SSH connection to the Cloud NAT IP address to reach the instance.
- B. Add all instances to an unmanaged instance group. Configure TCP Proxy Load Balancing with the instance group as a backend. Connect to the instance using the TCP Proxy IP.
- C. Configure Identity-Aware Proxy (IAP) for the instance and ensure that you have the role of IAP-secured Tunnel User. Use the gcloud command line tool to ssh into the instance.
- D. Create a bastion host in the network to SSH into the bastion host from your office location. From the bastion host, SSH into the desired instance.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is using Google Cloud. You have two folders under the Organization: Finance and Shopping. The members of the development team are in a Google Group. The development team group has been assigned the Project Owner role on the Organization. You want to prevent the development team from creating resources in projects in the Finance folder. What should you do?

- A. Assign the development team group the Project Viewer role on the Finance folder, and assign the development team group the Project Owner role on the Shopping folder.
- B. Assign the development team group only the Project Viewer role on the Finance folder.
- C. Assign the development team group the Project Owner role on the Shopping folder, and remove the development team group Project Owner role from the Organization.
- D. Assign the development team group only the Project Owner role on the Shopping folder.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are developing your microservices application on Google Kubernetes Engine. During testing, you want to validate the behavior of your application in case a specific microservice should suddenly crash. What should you do?

A. Add a taint to one of the nodes of the Kubernetes cluster. For the specific microservice, configure a pod anti-affinity label that has the name of the tainted node as a value.

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- B. Use Istio's fault injection on the particular microservice whose faulty behavior you want to simulate.
- C. Destroy one of the nodes of the Kubernetes cluster to observe the behavior.
- D. Configure Istio's traffic management features to steer the traffic away from a crashing microservice.

Your company is developing a new application that will allow globally distributed users to upload pictures and share them with other selected users. The application will support millions of concurrent users. You want to allow developers to focus on just building code without having to create and maintain the underlying infrastructure. Which service should you use to deploy the application?

- A. App Engine
- B. Cloud Endpoints
- C. Compute Engine
- D. Google Kubernetes Engine

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company provides a recommendation engine for retail customers. You are providing retail customers with an API where they can submit a user ID and the API returns a list of recommendations for that user. You are responsible for the API lifecycle and want to ensure stability for your customers in case the API makes backward-incompatible changes. You want to follow Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

- A. Create a distribution list of all customers to inform them of an upcoming backward-incompatible change at least one month before replacing the old API with the new API.
- B. Create an automated process to generate API documentation, and update the public API documentation as part of the CI/CD process when deploying an update to the API.
- C. Use a versioning strategy for the APIs that increases the version number on every backward-incompatible change.
- D. Use a versioning strategy for the APIs that adds the suffix x€DEPRECATEDx€ to the current API version number on every backward-incompatible change. Use the current version number for the new API.

Question #: 138

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has developed a monolithic, 3-tier application to allow external users to upload and share files. The solution cannot be easily enhanced and lacks reliability. The development team would like to re-architect the application to adopt microservices and a fully managed service approach, but they need to convince their leadership that the effort is worthwhile. Which advantage(s) should they highlight to leadership?

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- A. The new approach will be significantly less costly, make it easier to manage the underlying infrastructure, and automatically manage the CI/CD pipelines.
- B. The monolithic solution can be converted to a container with Docker. The generated container can then be deployed into a Kubernetes cluster.
- C. The new approach will make it easier to decouple infrastructure from application, develop and release new features, manage the underlying infrastructure, manage CI/CD pipelines and perform A/B testing, and scale the solution if necessary.
- D. The process can be automated with Migrate for Compute Engine.

Question #: 139

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your team is developing a web application that will be deployed on Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE). Your CTO expects a successful launch and you need to ensure your application can handle the expected load of tens of thousands of users. You want to test the current deployment to ensure the latency of your application stays below a certain threshold. What should you do?

- A. Use a load testing tool to simulate the expected number of concurrent users and total requests to your application, and inspect the results.
- B. Enable autoscaling on the GKE cluster and enable horizontal pod autoscaling on your application deployments. Send curl requests to your application, and validate if the auto scaling works.
- C. Replicate the application over multiple GKE clusters in every Google Cloud region. Configure a global HTTP(S) load balancer to expose the different clusters over a single global IP address.
- D. Use Cloud Debugger in the development environment to understand the latency between the different microservices.

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Question #: 140

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a Kubernetes application that pulls messages from Pub/Sub and stores them in Filestore. Because the application is simple, it was deployed as a single pod. The infrastructure team has analyzed Pub/Sub metrics and discovered that the application cannot process the messages in real time. Most of them wait for minutes before being processed. You need to scale the elaboration process that is I/O-intensive. What should you do?

- A. Use kubectl autoscale deployment APP_NAME --max 6 --min 2 --cpu-percent 50 to configure Kubernetes autoscaling deployment.
- B. Configure a Kubernetes autoscaling deployment based on the subscription/push_request_latencies metric.
- C. Use the --enable-autoscaling flag when you create the Kubernetes cluster.
- D. Configure a Kubernetes autoscaling deployment based on the subscription/num_undelivered_messages metric.

Question #: 142

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

An application development team has come to you for advice. They are planning to write and deploy an HTTP(S) API using Go 1.12. The API will have a very unpredictable workload and must remain reliable during peaks in traffic. They want to minimize operational overhead for this application. Which approach should you recommend?

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- A. Develop the application with containers, and deploy to Google Kubernetes Engine.
- B. Develop the application for App Engine standard environment.
- C. Use a Managed Instance Group when deploying to Compute Engine.
- D. Develop the application for App Engine flexible environment, using a custom runtime.

Question #: 143

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is designing its data lake on Google Cloud and wants to develop different ingestion pipelines to collect unstructured data from different sources. After the data is stored in Google Cloud, it will be processed in several data pipelines to build a recommendation engine for end users on the website. The structure of the data retrieved from the source systems can change at any time. The data must be stored exactly as it was retrieved for reprocessing purposes in case the data structure is incompatible with the current processing pipelines. You need to design an architecture to support the use case after you retrieve the data. What should you do?

- A. Send the data through the processing pipeline, and then store the processed data in a BigQuery table for reprocessing.
- B. Store the data in a BigQuery table. Design the processing pipelines to retrieve the data from the table.
- C. Send the data through the processing pipeline, and then store the processed data in a Cloud Storage bucket for reprocessing.
- D. Store the data in a Cloud Storage bucket. Design the processing pipelines to retrieve the data from the bucket.

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Question #: 144

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are responsible for the Google Cloud environment in your company. Multiple departments need access to their own projects, and the members within each department will have the same project responsibilities. You want to structure your Google Cloud environment for minimal maintenance and maximum overview of IAM permissions as each department's projects start and end. You want to follow Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

- A. Grant all department members the required IAM permissions for their respective projects.
- B. Create a Google Group per department and add all department members to their respective groups. Create a folder per department and grant the respective group the required IAM permissions at the folder level. Add the projects under the respective folders.
- C. Create a folder per department and grant the respective members of the department the required IAM permissions at the folder level. Structure all projects for each department under the respective folders.
- D. Create a Google Group per department and add all department members to their respective groups. Grant each group the required IAM permissions for their respective projects.

Question #: 145

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an application running as a Deployment in a Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) cluster. You have separate clusters for development, staging, and production. You have discovered that the team is able to deploy a Docker image to the production cluster without first testing the deployment in development and then staging. You want to allow the team to have autonomy but want to prevent this from happening. You want a Google Cloud solution that can be implemented quickly with minimal effort. What should you do?

- A. Configure a Kubernetes lifecycle hook to prevent the container from starting if it is not approved for usage in the given environment.
- B. Implement a corporate policy to prevent teams from deploying Docker images to an environment unless the Docker image was tested in an earlier environment.
- C. Configure binary authorization policies for the development, staging, and production clusters. Create attestations as part of the continuous integration pipeline.
- D. Create a Kubernetes admissions controller to prevent the container from starting if it is not approved for usage in the given environment.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company wants to migrate their 10-TB on-premises database export into Cloud Storage. You want to minimize the time it takes to complete this activity, the overall cost, and database load. The bandwidth between the on-premises environment and Google Cloud is 1 Gbps. You want to follow Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

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- A. Develop a Dataflow job to read data directly from the database and write it into Cloud Storage.
- B. Use the Data Transfer appliance to perform an offline migration.
- C. Use a commercial partner ETL solution to extract the data from the on-premises database and upload it into Cloud Storage.
- D. Compress the data and upload it with gsutil -m to enable multi-threaded copy.

Question #: 147

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an enterprise application running on Compute Engine that requires high availability and high performance. The application has been deployed on two instances in two zones in the same region in active-passive mode. The application writes data to a persistent disk. In the case of a single zone outage, that data should be immediately made available to the other instance in the other zone. You want to maximize performance while minimizing downtime and data loss.

What should you do?

- A. 1. Attach a persistent SSD disk to the first instance. 2. Create a snapshot every hour. 3. In case of a zone outage, recreate a persistent SSD disk in the second instance where data is coming from the created snapshot.
- B. 1. Create a Cloud Storage bucket. 2. Mount the bucket into the first instance with gcs-fuse. 3. In case of a zone outage, mount the Cloud Storage bucket to the second instance with gcs-fuse.
- C. 1. Attach a regional SSD persistent disk to the first instance. 2. In case of a zone outage, force-attach the disk to the other instance.
- D. 1. Attach a local SSD to the first instance disk. 2. Execute an rsync command every hour where the target is a persistent SSD disk attached to the second instance. 3. In case of a zone outage, use the second instance.

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Question #: 148

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are designing a Data Warehouse on Google Cloud and want to store sensitive data in BigQuery. Your company requires you to generate the encryption keys outside of Google Cloud. You need to implement a solution. What should you do?

- A. Generate a new key in Cloud Key Management Service (Cloud KMS). Store all data in Cloud Storage using the customer-managed key option and select the created key. Set up a Dataflow pipeline to decrypt the data and to store it in a new BigQuery dataset.
- B. Generate a new key in Cloud KMS. Create a dataset in BigQuery using the customer-managed key option and select the created key.
- C. Import a key in Cloud KMS. Store all data in Cloud Storage using the customer-managed key option and select the created key. Set up a Dataflow pipeline to decrypt the data and to store it in a new BigQuery dataset.
- D. Import a key in Cloud KMS. Create a dataset in BigQuery using the customer-supplied key option and select the created key.

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Question #: 150

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your team needs to create a Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) cluster to host a newly built application that requires access to third-party services on the internet.

Your company does not allow any Compute Engine instance to have a public IP address on Google Cloud. You need to create a deployment strategy that adheres to these guidelines. What should you do?

- A. Configure the GKE cluster as a private cluster, and configure Cloud NAT Gateway for the cluster subnet.
- B. Configure the GKE cluster as a private cluster. Configure Private Google Access on the Virtual Private Cloud (VPC).
- C. Configure the GKE cluster as a route-based cluster. Configure Private Google Access on the Virtual Private Cloud (VPC).
- D. Create a Compute Engine instance, and install a NAT Proxy on the instance. Configure all workloads on GKE to pass through this proxy to access third-party services on the Internet.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a support ticketing solution that uses App Engine Standard. The project that contains the App Engine application already has a Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) network fully connected to the company's on-premises environment through a Cloud VPN tunnel. You want to enable the App Engine application to communicate with a database that is running in the company's on-premises environment. What should you do?

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- A. Configure private Google access for on-premises hosts only.
- B. Configure private Google access.
- C. Configure private services access.
- D. Configure serverless VPC access.

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Question #: 152

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company is planning to upload several important files to Cloud Storage. After the upload is completed, they want to verify that the uploaded content is identical to what they have on-premises. You want to minimize the cost and effort of performing this check. What should you do?

- A. 1. Use Linux shasum to compute a digest of files you want to upload. 2. Use gsutil -m to upload all the files to Cloud Storage. 3. Use gsutil cp to download the uploaded files. 4. Use Linux shasum to compute a digest of the downloaded files. 5. Compare the hashes.
- B. 1. Use gsutil -m to upload the files to Cloud Storage. 2. Develop a custom Java application that computes CRC32C hashes. 3. Use gsutil Is -L gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME] to collect CRC32C hashes of the uploaded files. 4. Compare the hashes.
- C. 1. Use gsutil -m to upload all the files to Cloud Storage. 2. Use gsutil cp to download the uploaded files. 3. Use Linux diff to compare the content of the files.
- D. 1. Use gsutil -m to upload the files to Cloud Storage. 2. Use gsutil hash -c FILE_NAME to generate CRC32C hashes of all on-premises files. 3. Use gsutil Is -L gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME] to collect CRC32C hashes of the uploaded files. 4. Compare the hashes.

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Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have deployed an application on Anthos clusters (formerly Anthos GKE). According to the SRE practices at your company, you need to be alerted if request latency is above a certain threshold for a specified amount of time. What should you do?

- A. Install Anthos Service Mesh on your cluster. Use the Google Cloud Console to define a Service Level Objective (SLO), and create an alerting policy based on this SLO.
- B. Enable the Cloud Trace API on your project, and use Cloud Monitoring Alerts to send an alert based on the Cloud Trace metrics.
- C. Use Cloud Profiler to follow up the request latency. Create a custom metric in Cloud Monitoring based on the results of Cloud Profiler, and create an Alerting policy in case this metric exceeds the threshold.
- D. Configure Anthos Config Management on your cluster, and create a yaml file that defines the SLO and alerting policy you want to deploy in your cluster.

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Question #: 154

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a stateless web API that performs scientific calculations. The web API runs on a single Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE) cluster. The cluster is currently deployed in us-central1. Your company has expanded to offer your API to customers in Asia. You want to reduce the latency for users in Asia. What should you do?

- A. Create a second GKE cluster in asia-southeast1, and expose both APIs using a Service of type LoadBalancer. Add the public IPs to the Cloud DNS zone.
- B. Use a global HTTP(s) load balancer with Cloud CDN enabled.
- C. Create a second GKE cluster in asia-southeast1, and use kubemci to create a global HTTP(s) load balancer.
- D. Increase the memory and CPU allocated to the application in the cluster.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are migrating third-party applications from optimized on-premises virtual machines to Google Cloud. You are unsure about the optimum CPU and memory options. The applications have a consistent usage pattern across multiple weeks. You want to optimize resource usage for the lowest cost. What should you do?

- A. Create an instance template with the smallest available machine type, and use an image of the third-party application taken from a current on-premises virtual machine. Create a managed instance group that uses average CPU utilization to autoscale the number of instances in the group. Modify the average CPU utilization threshold to optimize the number of instances running.
- B. Create an App Engine flexible environment, and deploy the third-party application using a Dockerfile and a custom runtime. Set CPU and memory options similar to your application's current on-premises virtual machine in the app.yaml file.
- C. Create multiple Compute Engine instances with varying CPU and memory options. Install the Cloud Monitoring agent, and deploy the third-party application on each of them. Run a load test with high traffic levels on the application, and use the results to determine the optimal settings.
- D. Create a Compute Engine instance with CPU and memory options similar to your application's current on-premises virtual machine. Install the Cloud Monitoring agent, and deploy the third-party application. Run a load test with normal traffic levels on the application, and follow the Rightsizing Recommendations in the Cloud Console.

Question #: 156

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a Google Cloud project that uses BigQuery for data warehousing. They have a VPN tunnel between the on-premises environment and Google Cloud that is configured with Cloud VPN. The security team wants to avoid data exfiltration by malicious insiders, compromised code, and accidental oversharing. What should they do?

- A. Configure Private Google Access for on-premises only.
- B. Perform the following tasks: 1. Create a service account. 2. Give the BigQuery JobUser role and Storage Reader role to the service account. 3. Remove all other IAM access from the project.
- C. Configure VPC Service Controls and configure Private Google Access.
- D. Configure Private Google Access.

Question #: 157

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are working at an institution that processes medical data. You are migrating several workloads onto Google Cloud. Company policies require all workloads to run on physically separated hardware, and workloads from different clients must also be separated. You created a sole-tenant node group and added a node for each client. You need to deploy the workloads on these dedicated hosts. What should you do?

- A. Add the node group name as a network tag when creating Compute Engine instances in order to host each workload on the correct node group.
- B. Add the node name as a network tag when creating Compute Engine instances in order to host each workload on the correct node.
- C. Use node affinity labels based on the node group name when creating Compute Engine instances in order to host each workload on the correct node group.
- D. Use node affinity labels based on the node name when creating Compute Engine instances in order to host each workload on the correct node.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company's test suite is a custom C++ application that runs tests throughout each day on Linux virtual machines. The full test suite takes several hours to complete, running on a limited number of on-premises servers reserved for testing. Your company wants to move the testing infrastructure to the cloud, to reduce the amount of time it takes to fully test a change to the system, while changing the tests as little as possible.

Which cloud infrastructure should you recommend?

- A. Google Compute Engine unmanaged instance groups and Network Load Balancer
- B. Google Compute Engine managed instance groups with auto-scaling
- C. Google Cloud Dataproc to run Apache Hadoop jobs to process each test
- D. Google App Engine with Google StackDriver for logging

Question #: 159

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A lead software engineer tells you that his new application design uses websockets and HTTP sessions that are not distributed across the web servers. You want to help him ensure his application will run properly on Google Cloud Platform.

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What should you do?

- A. Help the engineer to convert his websocket code to use HTTP streaming
- B. Review the encryption requirements for websocket connections with the security team
- C. Meet with the cloud operations team and the engineer to discuss load balancer options
- D. Help the engineer redesign the application to use a distributed user session service that does not rely on websockets and HTTP sessions.

Question #: 160

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

The application reliability team at your company this added a debug feature to their backend service to send all server events to Google Cloud Storage for eventual analysis. The event records are at least 50 KB and at most 15 MB and are expected to peak at 3,000 events per second. You want to minimize data loss. Which process should you implement?

- A. $\lambda \in Append$ metadata to file body $\lambda \in Compress$ individual files $\lambda \in Append$ metadata to file body $\lambda \in Compress$ individual files $\lambda \in Append$ metadata to file body $\lambda \in Compress$ individual files to the new bucket. Otherwise, save files to existing bucket.
- B. $\lambda \notin \emptyset$ Batch every 10,000 events with a single manifest file for metadata $\lambda \notin \emptyset$ Compress event files and manifest file into a single archive file $\lambda \notin \emptyset$ Name files using serverName $\lambda \notin \emptyset$ EventSequence $\lambda \notin \emptyset$ Create a new bucket if bucket is older than 1 day and save the single archive file to the new bucket. Otherwise, save the single archive file to existing bucket.
- C. $\lambda \in C$ Compress individual files $\lambda \in C$ Name files with serverName $\lambda \in C$ Save files to one bucket $\lambda \in C$ Set custom metadata headers for each object after saving
- D. x€¢ Append metadata to file body x€¢ Compress individual files x€¢ Name files with a random prefix pattern x€¢ Save files to one bucket

Question #: 161

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

A recent audit revealed that a new network was created in your GCP project. In this network, a GCE instance has an SSH port open to the world. You want to discover this network's origin.

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What should you do?

- A. Search for Create VM entry in the Stackdriver alerting console
- B. Navigate to the Activity page in the Home section. Set category to Data Access and search for Create VM entry
- C. In the Logging section of the console, specify GCE Network as the logging section. Search for the Create Insert entry
- D. Connect to the GCE instance using project SSH keys. Identify previous logins in system logs, and match these with the project owners list

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Question #: 162

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You want to make a copy of a production Linux virtual machine in the US-Central region. You want to manage and replace the copy easily if there are changes on the production virtual machine. You will deploy the copy as a new instance in a different project in the US-East region.

What steps must you take?

- A. Use the Linux dd and netcat commands to copy and stream the root disk contents to a new virtual machine instance in the US-East region.
- B. Create a snapshot of the root disk and select the snapshot as the root disk when you create a new virtual machine instance in the US-East region.
- C. Create an image file from the root disk with Linux dd command, create a new virtual machine instance in the US-East region
- D. Create a snapshot of the root disk, create an image file in Google Cloud Storage from the snapshot, and create a new virtual machine instance in the US-East region using the image file the root disk.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company runs several databases on a single MySQL instance. They need to take backups of a specific database at regular intervals. The backup activity needs to complete as quickly as possible and cannot be allowed to impact disk performance.

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How should you configure the storage?

- A. Configure a cron job to use the gcloud tool to take regular backups using persistent disk snapshots.
- B. Mount a Local SSD volume as the backup location. After the backup is complete, use gsutil to move the backup to Google Cloud Storage.
- C. Use gosfise to mount a Google Cloud Storage bucket as a volume directly on the instance and write backups to the mounted location using mysgldump.
- D. Mount additional persistent disk volumes onto each virtual machine (VM) instance in a RAID10 array and use LVM to create snapshots to send to Cloud Storage

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Question #: 164

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are helping the QA team to roll out a new load-testing tool to test the scalability of your primary cloud services that run on Google Compute Engine with Cloud Bigtable.

Which three requirements should they include? (Choose three.)

- A. Ensure that the load tests validate the performance of Cloud Bigtable
- B. Create a separate Google Cloud project to use for the load-testing environment
- C. Schedule the load-testing tool to regularly run against the production environment
- D. Ensure all third-party systems your services use is capable of handling high load
- E. Instrument the production services to record every transaction for replay by the load-testing tool
- F. Instrument the load-testing tool and the target services with detailed logging and metrics collection

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- A. Org viewer, project owner
- B. Org viewer, project viewer
- C. Org admin, project browser
- D. Project owner, network admin

Question #: 166

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company places a high value on being responsive and meeting customer needs quickly. Their primary business objectives are release speed and agility. You want to reduce the chance of security errors being accidentally introduced.

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Which two actions can you take? (Choose two.)

- A. Ensure every code check-in is peer reviewed by a security SME
- B. Use source code security analyzers as part of the CI/CD pipeline
- C. Ensure you have stubs to unit test all interfaces between components
- D. Enable code signing and a trusted binary repository integrated with your CI/CD pipeline
- E. Run a vulnerability security scanner as part of your continuous-integration /continuous-delivery (CI/CD) pipeline

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Question #: 167

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You want to enable your running Google Kubernetes Engine cluster to scale as demand for your application changes.

What should you do?

- A. Add additional nodes to your Kubernetes Engine cluster using the following command: gcloud container clusters resize CLUSTER_Name x€" -size 10
- B. Add a tag to the instances in the cluster with the following command: gcloud compute instances add-tags INSTANCE -tags enable- autoscaling max-nodes-10
- C. Update the existing Kubernetes Engine cluster with the following command: gcloud alpha container clusters update mycluster -enable- autoscaling -min-nodes=1
- -max-nodes=10
- D. Create a new Kubernetes Engine cluster with the following command: gcloud alpha container clusters create mycluster -enable- autoscaling -min-nodes=1 - max-nodes=10 and redeploy your application

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Question #: 168

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your marketing department wants to send out a promotional email campaign. The development team wants to minimize direct operation management. They project a wide range of possible customer responses, from 100 to 500,000 click-through per day. The link leads to a simple website that explains the promotion and collects user information and preferences.

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Which infrastructure should you recommend? (Choose two.)

- A. Use Google App Engine to serve the website and Google Cloud Datastore to store user data.
- B. Use a Google Container Engine cluster to serve the website and store data to persistent disk.
- C. Use a managed instance group to serve the website and Google Cloud Bigtable to store user data.
- D. Use a single Compute Engine virtual machine (VM) to host a web server, backend by Google Cloud SQL.

Question #: 169

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company just finished a rapid lift and shift to Google Compute Engine for your compute needs. You have another 9 months to design and deploy a more cloud-native solution. Specifically, you want a system that is no-ops and auto-scaling.

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Which two compute products should you choose? (Choose two.)

- A. Compute Engine with containers
- B. Google Kubernetes Engine with containers
- C. Google App Engine Standard Environment
- D. Compute Engine with custom instance types
- E. Compute Engine with managed instance groups

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Question #: 171

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a Google Workspace account and Google Cloud Organization. Some developers in the company have created Google Cloud projects outside of the Google Cloud Organization.

You want to create an Organization structure that allows developers to create projects, but prevents them from modifying production projects. You want to manage policies for all projects centrally and be able to set more restrictive policies for production projects.

You want to minimize disruption to users and developers when business needs change in the future. You want to follow Google-recommended practices. Now should you design the Organization structure?

- A. 1. Create a second Google Workspace account and Organization. 2. Grant all developers the Project Creator IAM role on the new Organization. 3. Move the developer projects into the new Organization. 4. Set the policies for all projects on both Organizations. 5. Additionally, set the production policies on the original Organization.
- B. 1. Create a folder under the Organization resource named $\lambda \in Production.2 \in \lambda$. Grant all developers the Project Creator IAM role on the new Organization. 3. Move the developer projects into the new Organization. 4. Set the policies for all projects on the Organization. 5. Additionally, set the production policies on the $\lambda \in Production \lambda \in Production \lambda \in Production \lambda \in Production \lambda \in Additionally \lambda \in Addi$
- C. 1. Create folders under the Organization resource named $\lambda \in Development \lambda \in A$ and $\lambda \in Production 0.2 \in A$. Grant all developers the Project Creator IAM role on the $\lambda \in Development \lambda \in A$ folder. 3. Move the developer projects into the $\lambda \in Development \lambda \in A$ folder. 4. Set the policies for all projects on the Organization. 5. Additionally, set the production policies on the $\lambda \in A$ folder.
- D. 1. Designate the Organization for production projects only. 2. Ensure that developers do not have the Project Creator IAM role on the Organization. 3. Create development projects outside of the Organization using the developer Google Workspace accounts. 4. Set the policies for all projects on the Organization. 5. Additionally, set the production policies on the individual production projects.

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Question #: 172

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an application running on Compute Engine that allows users to play their favorite music. There are a fixed number of instances. Files are stored in Cloud Storage, and data is streamed directly to users. Users are reporting that they sometimes need to attempt to play popular songs multiple times before they are successful. You need to improve the performance of the application. What should you do?

- A. 1. Mount the Cloud Storage bucket using gcsfuse on all backend Compute Engine instances. 2. Serve music files directly from the backend Compute Engine instance.
- B. 1. Create a Cloud Filestore NFS volume and attach it to the backend Compute Engine instances. 2. Download popular songs in Cloud Filestore. 3. Serve music files directly from the backend Compute Engine instance.
- C. 1. Copy popular songs into CloudSQL as a blob. 2. Update application code to retrieve data from CloudSQL when Cloud Storage is overloaded.
- D. 1. Create a managed instance group with Compute Engine instances. 2. Create a global load balancer and configure it with two backends: $\lambda \epsilon$ Managed instance group $\lambda \epsilon$ Cloud Storage bucket 3. Enable Cloud CDN on the bucket backend.

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Question #: 174

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are working with a data warehousing team that performs data analysis. The team needs to process data from external partners, but the data contains personally identifiable information (PII). You need to process and store the data without storing any of the PIIE data. What should you do?

- A. Create a Dataflow pipeline to retrieve the data from the external sources. As part of the pipeline, use the Cloud Data Loss Prevention (Cloud DLP) API to remove any PII data. Store the result in BigQuery.
- B. Create a Dataflow pipeline to retrieve the data from the external sources. As part of the pipeline, store all non-PII data in BigQuery and store all PII data in a Cloud Storage bucket that has a retention policy set.
- C. Ask the external partners to upload all data on Cloud Storage. Configure Bucket Lock for the bucket. Create a Dataflow pipeline to read the data from the bucket. As part of the pipeline, use the Cloud Data Loss Prevention (Cloud DLP) API to remove any PII data. Store the result in BigQuery.
- D. Ask the external partners to import all data in your BigQuery dataset. Create a dataflow pipeline to copy the data into a new table. As part of the Dataflow bucket, skip all data in columns that have PII data

Question #: 175

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You want to allow your operations team to store logs from all the production projects in your Organization, without including logs from other projects. All of the production projects are contained in a folder. You want to ensure that all logs for existing and new production projects are captured automatically. What should you do?

- A. Create an aggregated export on the Production folder. Set the log sink to be a Cloud Storage bucket in an operations project.
- B. Create an aggregated export on the Organization resource. Set the log sink to be a Cloud Storage bucket in an operations project.
- C. Create log exports in the production projects. Set the log sinks to be a Cloud Storage bucket in an operations project.
- D. Create log exports in the production projects. Set the log sinks to be BigQuery datasets in the production projects, and grant IAM access to the operations team to run queries on the datasets.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an application that is running on multiple instances of Compute Engine. It generates 1 TB per day of logs. For compliance reasons, the logs need to be kept for at least two years. The logs need to be available for active query for 30 days. After that, they just need to be retained for audit purposes. You want to implement a storage solution that is compliant, minimizes costs, and follows Google-recommended practices. What should you do?

- A. 1. Install a Cloud Logging agent on all instances. 2. Create a sink to export logs into a regional Cloud Storage bucket. 3. Create an Object Lifecycle rule to move files into a Coldline Cloud Storage bucket after one month. 4. Configure a retention policy at the bucket level using bucket lock.
- B. 1. Write a daily cron job, running on all instances, that uploads logs into a Cloud Storage bucket. 2. Create a sink to export logs into a regional Cloud Storage bucket. 3. Create an Object Lifecycle rule to move files into a Coldline Cloud Storage bucket after one month.
- C. 1. Install a Cloud Logging agent on all instances. 2. Create a sink to export logs into a partitioned BigQuery table. 3. Set a time_partitioning_expiration of 30 days.
- D. 1. Create a daily cron job, running on all instances, that uploads logs into a partitioned BigQuery table. 2. Set a time_partitioning_expiration of 30 days.

Question #: 177

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has just recently activated Cloud Identity to manage users. The Google Cloud Organization has been configured as well. The security team needs to secure projects that will be part of the Organization. They want to prohibit IAM users outside the domain from gaining permissions from now on. What should they do?

- A. Configure an organization policy to restrict identities by domain.
- B. Configure an organization policy to block creation of service accounts.
- C. Configure Cloud Scheduler to trigger a Cloud Function every hour that removes all users that don't belong to the Cloud Identity domain from all projects.
- D. Create a technical user (e.g., crawler@yourdomain.com), and give it the project owner role at root organization level. Write a bash script that: $\lambda \in C$ Lists all the IAM rules of all projects within the organization. $\lambda \in C$ Deletes all users that do not belong to the company domain. Create a Compute Engine instance in a project within the Organization and configure gcloud to be executed with technical user credentials. Configure a cron job that executes the bash script every hour.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has an application running on Google Cloud that is collecting data from thousands of physical devices that are globally distributed. Data is published to Pub/Sub and streamed in real time into an SSD Cloud Bigtable cluster via a Dataflow pipeline. The operations team informs you that your Cloud Bigtable cluster has a hotspot, and queries are taking longer than expected. You need to resolve the problem and prevent it from happening in the future. What should you do?

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- A. Advise your clients to use HBase APIs instead of NodeJS APIs.
- B. Delete records older than 30 days.
- C. Review your RowKey strategy and ensure that keys are evenly spread across the alphabet.
- D. Double the number of nodes you currently have.

Question #: 179

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company has a Google Cloud project that uses BigQuery for data warehousing. There are some tables that contain personally identifiable information (PII). Only the compliance team may access the PII. The other information in the tables must be available to the data science team. You want to minimize cost and the time it takes to assign appropriate access to the tables. What should you do?

- A. 1. From the dataset where you have the source data, create views of tables that you want to share, excluding PII. 2. Assign an appropriate project-level IAM role to the members of the data science team. 3. Assign access controls to the dataset that contains the view.
- B. 1. From the dataset where you have the source data, create materialized views of tables that you want to share, excluding PII. 2. Assign an appropriate project-level IAM role to the members of the data science team. 3. Assign access controls to the dataset that contains the view.
- C. 1. Create a dataset for the data science team. 2. Create views of tables that you want to share, excluding PII. 3. Assign an appropriate project-level IAM role to the members of the data science team. 4. Assign access controls to the dataset that contains the view. 5. Authorize the view to access the source dataset.
- D. 1. Create a dataset for the data science team. 2. Create materialized views of tables that you want to share, excluding PII. 3. Assign an appropriate project-level IAM role to the members of the data science team. 4. Assign access controls to the dataset that contains the view. 5. Authorize the view to access the source dataset.

Question #: 181

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You have a Compute Engine managed instance group that adds and removes Compute Engine instances from the group in response to the load on your application. The instances have a shutdown script that removes REDIS database entries associated with the instance. You see that many database entries have not been removed, and you suspect that the shutdown script is the problem. You need to ensure that the commands in the shutdown script are run reliably every time an instance is shut down. You create a Cloud Function to remove the database entries. What should you do next?

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- A. Modify the shutdown script to wait for 30 seconds before triggering the Cloud Function.
- B. Do not use the Cloud Function. Modify the shutdown script to restart if it has not completed in 30 seconds.
- C. Set up a Cloud Monitoring sink that triggers the Cloud Function after an instance removal log message arrives in Cloud Logging.
- D. Modify the shutdown script to wait for 30 seconds and then publish a message to a Pub/Sub queue.

Question #: 182

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are managing several projects on Google Cloud and need to interact on a daily basis with BigQuery, Bigtable, and Kubernetes Engine using the gcloud CL tool. You are travelling a lot and work on different workstations during the week. You want to avoid having to manage the gcloud CLI manually. What should you do?

- A. Use Google Cloud Shell in the Google Cloud Console to interact with Google Cloud.
- B. Create a Compute Engine instance and install gcloud on the instance. Connect to this instance via SSH to always use the same gcloud installation when interacting with Google Cloud.
- C. Install gcloud on all of your workstations. Run the command gcloud components auto-update on each workstation
- D. Use a package manager to install gcloud on your workstations instead of installing it manually.

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[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

Your company recently acquired a company that has infrastructure in Google Cloud. Each company has its own Google Cloud organization. Each company is using a Shared Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) to provide network connectivity for its applications. Some of the subnets used by both companies overlap. In order for both businesses to integrate, the applications need to have private network connectivity. These applications are not on overlapping subnets. You want to provide connectivity with minimal re-engineering. What should you do?

- A. Set up VPC peering and peer each Shared VPC together.
- B. Migrate the projects from the acquired company into your company's Google Cloud organization. Re-launch the instances in your companies Shared VPC.
- C. Set up a Cloud VPN gateway in each Shared VPC and peer Cloud VPNs.
- D. Configure SSH port forwarding on each application to provide connectivity between applications in the different Shared VPCs.

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Question #: 184

Topic #: 1

[All Professional Cloud Architect Questions]

You are managing several internal applications that are deployed on Compute Engine. Business users inform you that an application has become very slow over the past few days. You want to find the underlying cause in order to solve the problem. What should you do first?

- A. Inspect the logs and metrics from the instances in Cloud Logging and Cloud Monitoring.
- B. Change the Compute Engine Instances behind the application to a machine type with more CPU and memory.
- C. Restore a backup of the application database from a time before the application became slow.
- D. Deploy the applications on a managed instance group with autoscaling enabled. Add a load balancer in front of the managed instance group, and have the users connect to the IP of the load balancer.

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