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The best fully integrated study system available for the CompTIA Cloud+ Certification exam. With hundreds of practice questions, CompTIA Cloud+ Certification Study Guide covers what you need to know and shows you how to prepare for this challenging exam. McGraw-Hill Professional is a Gold-Level CompTIA Authorized Partner offering Authorized CompTIA Approved Quality Content to give you the competitive edge on exam day. 100% complete coverage of all official objectives for exam CV0-001 Exam Watch notes call attention to information about, and potential pitfalls in, the exam Exam at Work notes provide real-world examples of cloud computing technologies in the workplace today Two-Minute Drills for quick review at the end of each chapter Simulated exam questions match the format, tone, topics, and difficulty of the real exam Covers all the exam topics, including: Cloud Computing Concepts, Models, and Terminology * Disk Storage Systems * Storage Networking * Network Infrastructure * Virtualization Components * Virtualization and the Cloud * Network Management * Performance Tuning * Systems Management * Testing and Troubleshooting * Security in the Cloud * Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Electronic content includes: Complete MasterExam practice testing engine, featuring: -One practice exam -Detailed answers with explanations -Score Report performance assessment tool PDF eBook for studying on the go Bonus downloadable MasterExam practice exam with free online registration

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Customer Reviews
Finally I have cleared the Cloud+ certification. Some tips for the people who are going to take this in future:

I am a programmer and had very little bit of knowledge about networking or storage. Don’t consider this book as the only guide necessary to pass the certification. There is a 50-50 chance that you may or you may not pass the exam if you just study the contents in this book, considering that you are totally new to Storage and Networking. This book gives only a high level understanding of the concept, this is not sufficient enough to know the actual usages. In the exam they test you for the actual usages and just knowing the definitions is not sufficient. There is a lot of improvements which needs to be made in this book to be called as THE OFFICIAL STUDY GUIDE. Since, I was a beginner to Cloud, this book was useful to get started and understand the basics. But, only when I researched on the topics in depth did I realize that what all useful information is missing in this book.

Exam/Study Tips: For my study, I watched a lot of youtube videos about networking concepts which are part of this book. There are videos in youtube which give you very detailed information about the terminologies and why they are useful in real world. The wiki is also a wonderful place to get the information in a neat and crisp format. There is a site called as cybrary.it, which has video tutorial dedicated to this certification for free. Few tips from that video are also useful. Know all the acronyms present in the CompTIA Objective guide. You should know what those are used for also. Many of the acronyms present in the guide are not part of this book. Know the difference between terminologies which are very similar to each other like LUN masking/zoning etc. If you are not aware of the differences, then this can get very tricky.

My colleague and I used this book and both passed the Cloud+ Exam a mere 6 days ago. I can tell you that this book does cover all the topics we ran across on the exam. We are both Network Engineers who work at a good sized data center so we have background in many of the topics. Some of the topics are not explained well for a first timer but are sufficient review for those who already know about it and are just studying for the exam. I would normally give the book 5 stars since it was my sole source for the exam and I passed but have to downgrade 1 star because of the digital price. I bought the Kindle version and my colleague bought the print version. I paid about $2 less for the Kindle version which seems too high being that they save on printing and shipping a book. Also, his came with a CD with practice exams and mine was a download. However, one of the practice tests was different between the two and the print version did not have Appendix B. At this time, this is pretty much the only Cloud+ available so if you are interested in taking the exam, buy this book, and search the internet for any topics you need more help with. (Hint: The book specifically talks about RAID 0, 1, 5, 6, 0+1, and 1+0 but mentions you should know all RAID levels
I used the book to pass the Cloud + CompTIA cet. It was spot on with the information that it gives you about passing the test. I did not see any of the question in the book on the actual test. But I found many that were very close, it helped with the understanding of the questions and what they were asking for. I do not think that I would have passed with out the book, The other thing that I liked was that the book was a easy read. Plenty of information, but easy to digest.

I'm giving this a second star because I don't blame the authors for how horrible their book is, as much as I blame CompTIA. This book will cover the exam topics that CompTIA lists, but it does not cover them well enough to prepare you for the exam. The material in the book is very general, and questions on the exam are very very particular. I know it has decent reviews, so you may not want to believe this, but unless you can find in this book where it says you need NPIV to boot from network under X circumstances, then it will not prepare you. If you have the time, read this book, then Wikipedia any exam objectives that have deep level knowledge like storage area networking methods (FCoE, iSCSI, etc). Anything where you might actually need to know something about it more than just a concept.

Like all of these type of certifications, I used more than one source. This book was well worth the expense in studying for the Cloud+ exam. It is probably the best one to use for the first study guide you pick up. It does not dive as deep as the exam takes you in places, however it will give you a good all around understanding of what you need to know to pass the Cloud+ exam. It is well written and easy to understand. Out of all the books I read for Cloud+, this one was the best. If you have not worked in a cloud or virtualization environment, this can be a tricky exam. It is certainly doable, without cloud experience. I have never worked in those environments and I am not a technical guy and I passed the exam on my first attempt. To me the areas that were the most challenging was virtualization and storage. My advice is to purchase this book and at least one other for your studies. Take the time to actually learn the material! Also, as with all CompTIA exams, the test itself is vendor neutral. Do not spend much time learning how to operate the different proprietary platforms and their capabilities. There will be no questions on things such as Microsoft Hyper-V or VMware.

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