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If you need to deploy, manage, or secure Microsoft SQL Server 2012, this is the complete, fast-paced, task-based reference you've been searching for. Authored by a worldclass expert on running SQL Server in the enterprise, this book goes far beyond the basics, taking on the complex tasks that DBAs need to make the most of Microsoft's first cloud-enabled database platform. Designed for maximum practical usability, it's packed with expert tips and up-to-date real-world configuration guidance you simply won't find anywhere else. As someone who helped influence the design of SQL Server 2012 and drawing on many months of beta testing, Ross Mistry provides immediately usable solutions for installation and upgrades, management and monitoring, performance and availability, security, consolidation, virtualization, troubleshooting, and more. Mistry identifies new features and corresponding best practices in every chapter, helping you take full advantage of new SQL Server innovations ranging from private cloud support to AlwaysOn Availability Groups. Understand how to: Efficiently install or upgrade the SQL Server 2012 database engine Administer and configure database engine settings, storage, I/O, and partitioning Transfer data on-premise or to the cloud Manage and optimize indexes Learn how to consolidate, virtualize and optimize SQL Server for Private Clouds Harden and audit SQL Server 2012 environments Administer security and authorization, including new Contained Databases Encrypt data and communications Design and deploy new AlwaysOn high-availability and disaster recovery features Implement maintenance best practices, including Policy-Based Management

Ace your preparation for Microsoft® Certification Exam 70-463 with this 2-in-1 Training Kit from Microsoft Press®. Work at your own pace through a series of lessons and practical exercises, and then assess your skills with online practice tests—featuring multiple, customizable testing options.

Get the most out of the rich development capabilities of SQL Server 2016 to build efficient database applications for your organization About This Book Utilize the new enhancements in Transact-SQL and security features in SQL Server 2016 to build efficient database applications Work with temporal tables to get information about data stored in the table at any point in time A detailed guide to SQL Server 2016, introducing you to multiple new features and enhancements to improve your overall development experience Who This Book Is For This book is for database developers and solution architects who plan to use the new SQL Server 2016 features for developing efficient database applications. It is also ideal for experienced SQL Server developers who want to switch to SQL Server 2016 for its rich development capabilities. Some understanding of the basic database concepts and Transact-SQL language is assumed. What You Will Learn Explore the new development features introduced in SQL Server 2016 Identify opportunities for In-Memory OLTP technology, significantly enhanced in SQL Server 2016 Use columnstore indexes to get significant storage and performance improvements Extend database design solutions using temporal tables Exchange JSON data between applications and SQL Server in a more efficient way Migrate historical data transparently and securely to Microsoft Azure by using Stretch Database Use the new security features to encrypt or to have more granular control over access to rows in a table Simplify performance troubleshooting with Query Store Discover the potential of R's integration with SQL Server In Detail Microsoft SQL Server 2016 is considered the biggest leap in the data platform history of the Microsoft, in the ongoing era of Big Data and data science. Compared to its predecessors, SQL Server 2016 offers developers a unique opportunity to leverage the advanced features and build applications that are robust, scalable, and easy to administer. This book introduces you to new features of SQL

Server 2016 which will open a completely new set of possibilities for you as a developer. It prepares you for the more advanced topics by starting with a quick introduction to SQL Server 2016's new features and a recapitulation of the possibilities you may have already explored with previous versions of SQL Server. The next part introduces you to small delights in the Transact-SQL language and then switches to a completely new technology inside SQL Server - JSON support. We also take a look at the Stretch database, security enhancements, and temporal tables. The last chapters concentrate on implementing advanced topics, including Query Store, columnstore indexes, and In-Memory OLTP. You will finally be introduced to R and how to use the R language with Transact-SQL for data exploration and analysis. By the end of this book, you will have the required information to design efficient, high-performance database applications without any hassle. Style and approach This book is a detailed guide to mastering the development features offered by SQL Server 2016, with a unique learn-as-you-do approach. All the concepts are explained in a very easy-to-understand manner and are supplemented with examples to ensure that you—the developer—are able to take that next step in building more powerful, robust applications for your organization with ease.

Introducing Microsoft(r) SQL Server(r) 2012 explores the exciting enhancements and new capabilities engineered into SQL Server, ranging from improvements in operation to those in reporting and management. This book is for anyone who has an interest in SQL Server 2012 and wants to understand its capabilities, including database administrators, application developers, and technical decision makers.

Ace your preparation for Microsoft® Certification Exam 70-461 with this 2-in-1 Training Kit from Microsoft Press®. Work at your own pace through a series of lessons and practical exercises, and then assess your skills with practice tests on CD—featuring multiple, customizable testing options. Maximize your performance on the exam by learning how to: Create database objects Work with data Modify data Troubleshoot and optimize queries You also get an exam discount voucher—making this book an exceptional value and a great career investment.

Over 100 recipes to help you leverage PowerShell to automate Windows Server 2016 manual tasks About This Book Automate Windows server tasks with the powerful features of the PowerShell Language Master new features such as DevOps, containers, and Nano servers, and speed up their performance using PowerShell Improve PowerShell's usability, and control and manage Windows-based environments by working through inviting recipes Who This Book Is For If you are a systems administrator, engineer, or an architect working with Windows Server 2016 and want to automate tasks with PowerShell, then this book is for you. A basic knowledge of PowerShell is expected. What You Will Learn Streamline routine administration processes Improve the performance and storage of your Windows server with enhanced large-scale PowerShell scripts Use DSC to leverage Windows server features Generate automatic reports that highlight unexpected changes in your environment Monitor performance and report on system utilization using detailed graphs and analysis Create and manage a reliable and redundant Hyper-V environment Manage your enterprise's patch level Utilize multiple tools and protocols to manage your environment In Detail This book showcases several ways that Windows administrators can use to automate and streamline their job. You'll start with the PowerShell and Windows Server fundamentals, where you'll become well versed with PowerShell and Windows Server features. In the next module, Core Windows Server 2016, you'll implement Nano Server, manage Windows updates, and implement troubleshooting and server inventories. You'll then move on to the Networking module, where you'll manage Windows network services and network shares. The last module covers Azure and DSC, where you will use Azure on PowerShell and DSC to easily maintain Windows servers. Style and approach This is a practical guide packed with attractive recipes to help you effectively use PowerShell to accelerate your daily administrative tasks with Windows server.

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Pro SQL Server Internals explains how different SQL Server components work "under the hood" and how they communicate with each other. This is the practical book with a large number of examples that will show you how various design and implementation decisions affect the behavior and performance of your systems. Pro SQL Server Internals covers a multiple SQL Server versions starting with SQL Server 2005 all the way up to the recently released SQL Server 2014. You'll learn about new SQL Server 2014 features including the new Cardinality Estimator, In-Memory OLTP Engine (codename Hekaton), and Clustered Columnstore Indexes. With Pro SQL Server Internals, you have a solid roadmap for understanding the depth and power of the SQL Server database backend, regardless of the version and edition of SQL Server you use. Pro SQL Server Internals does the following: Explains how to design efficient database schema, indexing, and transaction strategies. Shows how various database objects and technologies are implemented internally and when they should or should not be used. Demonstrates how SQL Server executes queries and works with data and transaction logs.

A comprehensive and practical guide to Windows Server 2016 About This Book In-depth coverage of new features of Windows Server 2016 Gain the necessary skills and knowledge to design and implement Microsoft Server 2016 in enterprise environment Know how you can support your medium to large enterprise and leverage your experience in administering Microsoft Server 2016, A practical guide to administering Windows server 2016 Who This Book Is For The book is targeted at System Administrators and IT professionals who would like to design and deploy Windows Server 2016 (physical and logical) Enterprise infrastructure. Previous experience of Windows Server operating systems and familiarity with networking concepts is assumed. System administrators who are upgrading or migrating to Windows Server 2016 would also find this book useful. What You Will Learn Familiarize yourself with Windows Server 2016 ideology, the core of most datacenters running today New functions and benefits provided only by the new Windows Server 2016 Get comfortable working with Nanoserver Secure your network with new technologies in Server 2016 Harden your Windows Servers to help keep those bad guys out! Using new built-in integration for Docker with this latest release of Windows Server 2016 Virtualize your datacenter with Hyper-V In Detail Windows Server 2016 is the server operating system developed by Microsoft as part of the Windows NT family of operating systems, developed concurrently with Windows 10. With Windows Server 2016, Microsoft has gotten us thinking outside of the box for what it means to be a system administration, and comes with some interesting new capabilities. These are exciting times to be or to become a server administrator! This book covers all aspects of administration level tasks and activities required to gain expertise in Microsoft Windows Server 2016. You will begin by getting familiar and comfortable navigating around in the interface. Next, you will learn to install and manage Windows Server 2016 and discover some tips for adapting to the new server management ideology that is all about centralized monitoring and configuration. You will deep dive into core Microsoft infrastructure technologies that the majority of companies are going to run on Server 2016. Core technologies such as Active Directory, DNS, DHCP, Certificate Services, File Services, and more. We will talk about networking in this new operating system, giving you a networking toolset that is useful for everyday troubleshooting and maintenance. Also discussed is the idea of Software Defined Networking. You will later walk through different aspects of certificate administration in Windows Server 2016. Three important and crucial areas to cover in the Remote Access role -- DirectAccess, VPN, and the Web Application Proxy -- are also covered. You will then move into security functions and benefits that are available in Windows Server 2016. Also covered is the brand new and all-important Nano Server! We will incorporate PowerShell as a central platform for performing many of the functions that are discussed in this book, including a chapter dedicated to the new PowerShell 5.0. Additionally, you will learn about the new built-in integration for Docker

with this latest release of Windows Server 2016. The book ends with a discussion and information on virtualizing your datacenter with Hyper-V. By the end of this book, you will have all the ammunition required to start planning for and implementing Windows Server 2016. Style and approach This book offers a practical and wide coverage of all features of brand new Microsoft Server 2016 along with tips on daily administration tasks.

Business intelligence projects do not need to cost multi-millions of dollars or take months or even years to complete! Using rapid application development (RAD) techniques along with Microsoft SQL Server 2012, this book guides database administrators, SQL programmers, and report specialists in creating practical, cost-effective business intelligence solutions for their companies and departments. Pro SQL Server 2012 BI Solutions provides practical examples of cost-effective business intelligence projects. Readers will be guided through several complete projects that build a foundation for real-world solutions. Even with limited experience using Microsoft's SQL Server, Integration Server, Analysis Server, and Reporting Server, you can leverage your existing knowledge of SQL programming and database design to provide users with the business intelligence reports they need. Provides recipes for multiple business intelligence scenarios Progresses from simple to advanced projects using several examples Shows Microsoft SQL Server technology used to complete real-world business intelligence projects

This is the eBook of the printed book and may not include any media, website access codes, or print supplements that may come packaged with the bound book. Prepare for Microsoft Exam 70-762, Developing SQL Databases —and help demonstrate your real-world mastery of skills for building and implementing databases across organizations. Designed for database professionals who build and implement databases across organizations and who ensure high levels of data availability, Exam Ref focuses on the critical-thinking and decision-making acumen needed for success at the MCSA level. Focus on the expertise measured by these objectives: • Design and implement database objects • Implement programmability objects • Manage database concurrency • Optimize database objects and SQL infrastructure This Microsoft Exam Ref: • Organizes its coverage by exam objectives • Features strategic, what-if scenarios to challenge you • Assumes you have working knowledge of Microsoft Windows, Transact-SQL, and relational databases About the Exam Exam 70-762 focuses on skills and knowledge for building and implementing databases across organizations and ensuring high levels of data availability. About Microsoft Certification Passing this exam earns you credit toward a Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) certification that demonstrates your mastery of modern database development. Exam 70-761 (Querying Data with Transact-SQL) is also required for MCSA: SQL 2016 Database Development. See full details at: microsoft.com/learning

Microsoft Windows Server is a multi-purpose server designed to increase reliability and flexibility of a network infrastructure. Windows Server is the paramount tool used by enterprises in their datacenter and desktop strategy. The most recent versions of Windows Server also provide both server and client virtualization. Its ubiquity in the enterprise results in the need for networking professionals who know how to plan, design, implement, operate, and troubleshoot networks relying on Windows Server. Microsoft Learning is preparing the next round of its Windows Server Certification program with exams covering the new version of the software, Windows Server 2012. The exams and certification path change significantly from the previous version of Windows Server. This provides an opportunity for the MS line to capitalize on the dual disruption of brand-new software and brand-new certifications.

Conquer Windows Server 2016—from the inside out! Dive into Windows Server 2016—and really put your Windows Server expertise to work. Focusing on Windows Server 2016's most powerful and innovative features, this supremely organized reference packs hundreds of

timesaving solutions, tips, and workarounds—all you need to plan, implement, or manage Windows Server in enterprise, data center, cloud, and hybrid environments. Fully reflecting Windows Server new capabilities for the cloud-first era, Orin covers everything from Nano Server to Windows Server and Hyper-V Containers. You'll discover how experts tackle today's essential tasks—and challenge yourself to new levels of mastery.

- Optimize the full Windows Server 2016 lifecycle, from planning and configuration through rollout and administration
- Ensure fast, reliable upgrades and migrations
- Seamlessly deliver core DNS, DHCP, file, print, storage, and Internet services
- Use IPAM to centrally manage all enterprise DNS and DHCP infrastructure
- Gain dramatic storage utilization improvements with built-in deduplication and storage replica
- Build flexible cloud and hybrid environments with Windows Containers and Shielded VMs
- Seamlessly integrate Azure IaaS services with Windows Server 2016
- Slash resource usage and improve availability with tiny Nano Server installations
- Improve configuration management with Desired State Configuration and Chef
- Deliver Active Directory identity, certificate, federation, and rights management services
- Protect servers, clients, assets, and users with advanced Windows Server 2016 security features including Just Enough Administration

For Experienced Windows Server Users and IT Professionals • Your role: Experienced intermediate-to-advanced level Windows Server user or IT professional • Prerequisites: Basic understanding of Windows Server procedures, techniques, and navigation

Prepare for Microsoft Exam 70-764—and help demonstrate your real-world mastery of skills for database administration. This exam is intended for database administrators charged with installation, maintenance, and configuration tasks. Their responsibilities also include setting up database systems, making sure those systems operate efficiently, and regularly storing, backing up, and securing data from unauthorized access. Focus on the expertise measured by these objectives:

- Configure data access and auditing
- Manage backup and restore of databases
- Manage and monitor SQL Server instances
- Manage high availability and disaster recovery

This Microsoft Exam Ref: Organizes its coverage by exam objectives • Features strategic, what-if scenarios to challenge you • Assumes you have working knowledge of database installation, configuration, and maintenance tasks. You should also have experience with setting up database systems, ensuring those systems operate efficiently, regularly storing and backing up data, and securing data from unauthorized access. About the Exam Exam 70-764 focuses on skills and knowledge required for database administration. About Microsoft Certification Passing both Exam 70-764 and Exam 70-765 (Provisioning SQL Databases) earns you credit toward an MCSA: SQL 2016 Database Administration certification. See full details at: microsoft.com/learning

With Microsoft SQL Server 2016, a variety of new features and enhancements to the data platform deliver breakthrough performance, advanced security, and richer, integrated reporting and analytics capabilities. In this Preview 2 ebook, we introduce three new security features: Always Encrypted, Row-Level Security, and dynamic data masking; discuss enhancements that enable you to better manage performance and storage: TempDB configuration, query store, and Stretch Database; review several improvements to Reporting Services; and also describe AlwaysOn Availability Groups, tabular enhancement, and R integration. This book is a preview edition because it's not complete; the final edition will be available Spring of 2016.

"Business analysis involves understanding how organizations function to accomplish their purposes and defining the capabilities an organization requires to provide products and services to external stakeholders. ... [This guide contains] a framework that describes the business analysis tasks that must be performed in order to understand how a solution will deliver value to the sponsoring organization." - page 3.

* Describes the architecture of a scalable .NET application using various Microsoft technologies not only .NET but also SQL Server 2000. * Focuses the importance of correct design to avoid scalability problems in production. * Gives a thorough overview of scalability design suitable for IT Architects, system designers and developers. * Teaches the essential application frameworks to enhance scalability in a multi tiered application.

Students who are beginning studies in technology need a strong foundation in the basics before moving on to more advanced technology courses and certification programs. The Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) is a new and innovative certification track designed to provide a pathway for future success in technology courses and careers. The MTA program curriculum helps instructors teach and validate fundamental technology knowledge and provides students with a foundation for their careers as well as the confidence they need to succeed in advanced studies. Through the use of MOAC MTA titles you can help ensure your students future success in and out of the classroom. Database Administration Fundamentals covers introductory knowledge and skills including: relational databases; core database concepts; relational database concepts; security requirements for databases and the data stored in them; database objects -- such as tables and views; graphical tools and T-SQL scripts; database queries; and stored procedures.

Prepare for Microsoft Exam 70-761—and help demonstrate your real-world mastery of SQL Server 2016 Transact-SQL data management, queries, and database programming. Designed for experienced IT professionals ready to advance their status, Exam Ref focuses on the critical-thinking and decision-making acumen needed for success at the MCSA level. Focus on the expertise measured by these objectives:

- Filter, sort, join, aggregate, and modify data
- Use subqueries, table expressions, grouping sets, and pivoting
- Query temporal and non-relational data, and output XML or JSON
- Create views, user-defined functions, and stored procedures
- Implement error handling, transactions, data types, and nulls

This Microsoft Exam Ref:

- Organizes its coverage by exam objectives
- Features strategic, what-if scenarios to challenge you
- Assumes you have experience working with SQL Server as a database administrator, system engineer, or developer
- Includes downloadable sample database and code for SQL Server 2016 SP1 (or later) and Azure SQL Database

Querying Data with Transact-SQL About the Exam Exam 70-761 focuses on the skills and knowledge necessary to manage and query data and to program databases with Transact-SQL in SQL Server 2016. About Microsoft Certification Passing this exam earns you credit toward a Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) certification that demonstrates your mastery of essential skills for building and implementing on-premises and cloud-based databases across organizations. Exam 70-762 (Developing SQL Databases) is also required for MCSA: SQL 2016 Database Development certification. See full details at: microsoft.com/learning

Last in a line of proud queens elected to rule the fertile lands of the West, true owner of the legendary Round Table, guardian of the Great Goddess herself . . . a woman whose story has never been told—until now. Brokenhearted at her parting from Lancelot and anguished over the loss of the sacred Hallows of the Goddess, Guenevere reconciles with Arthur. But their fragile peace is threatened by a new presence at Camelot. Mordred, Arthur's son by Morgan Le Fay, has come to be proclaimed heir to Guenevere and Arthur's kingdoms. At his knighting, the great Round Table, owned by the Queens of the Summer Country since time immemorial, cracks down the center and a terrible darkness falls over Camelot. In the midst of the chaos appears a new knight, Sir Galahad, who may hold the key to the mystery of the stolen Hallows. His arrival sets into motion the Quest for the Holy Grail and the fall of Camelot, which brings Guenevere to the brink of the most dreaded tragedy of all . . . and may ultimately fulfill her destiny as the greatest Queen of the Isles. Available now, *Guenevere, Queen of the Summer Country* and *The Knight of the Sacred Lake*, Books 1 and 2 of the *Guenevere Trilogy*. Coming in July 2002, *Isolde, Queen of the Western*

Isle, the First Book of the Tristan and Isolde Trilogy

Get a fast start to using AlwaysOn, the SQL Server solution to high-availability and disaster recovery. This third edition is newly-updated to cover the 2019 editions of both SQL Server and Windows Server and includes strong coverage of implementing AlwaysOn Availability Groups on both Windows and Linux operating systems. The book provides a solid and accurate understanding of how to implement systems requiring consistent and continuous uptime, as well as how to troubleshoot those systems in order to keep them running and reliable. This edition is updated to account for all new major functionality and also includes coverage of implementing atypical configurations, such as clusterless and domain-independent Availability Groups, distributed Availability Groups, and implementing Availability Groups on Azure. The book begins with an introduction to high-availability and disaster recovery concepts such as Recovery Point Objectives (RPOs), Recovery Time Objectives (RTOs), availability levels, and the cost of downtime. You'll then move into detailed coverage of implementing and configuring the AlwaysOn feature set in order to meet the business objectives set by your organization. Content includes coverage on implementing clusters, building AlwaysOn failover clustered instances, and configuring AlwaysOn Availability Groups. SQL Server 2019 AlwaysOn is chock full of real-world advice on how to build and configure the most appropriate topology to meet the high-availability and disaster recovery requirements you are faced with, as well as how to use AlwaysOn Availability Groups to scale-out read-only workloads. This is a practical and hands-on book to get you started quickly in using one of the most talked-about SQL Server feature sets. What You Will Learn Understand high availability and disaster recovery in SQL Server 2019 Build and configure a Windows Cluster in Windows Server 2019 Create and configure an AlwaysOn failover clustered instance Implement AlwaysOn Availability Groups and appropriately configure them Implement AlwaysOn Availability Groups on Linux servers Configure Availability Groups on Azure IaaS Administer AlwaysOn technologies post implementation Understand typical configurations, such as clusterless and distributed Availability Groups Who This Book Is For For Microsoft SQL Server database administrators who interested in growing their knowledge and skills in SQL Server's high-availability and disaster recovery feature set.

For the first time—the first six explosive novels in Lee Child's #1 New York Times bestselling Jack Reacher series—now together in one e-book package! He never looks for trouble... But trouble never stops looking for him. KILLING FLOOR Ex-military policeman Jack Reacher isn't in the small town of Margrave, Georgia for less than an hour before he's arrested for murder. Not much of a welcome. All Reacher knows is that he didn't kill anybody. At least not lately. But he doesn't stand a chance of convincing anyone. Not a chance in hell... DIE TRYING When a woman is kidnapped off a Chicago street in broad daylight, Jack Reacher is unlucky enough to be taken with her. They're at the mercy of a group of men demanding an impossible ransom. Because Reacher's female companion is worth more than he imagines. Now he has to save them both—from the inside out—or die trying... TRIPWIRE Reacher's anonymity in Florida is shattered by an investigator who's looking for him. But soon after his arrival, the man is murdered. Retracing the PI's trail back to New York, Reacher wants to find out who was looking for him—and why. But he never expected the reasons to be so personal...or lethal. RUNNING BLIND Across the country, women are being murdered, victims of a disciplined and clever killer who leaves no evidence, no fatal wounds, no signs of struggle, and no apparent motive. They are truly perfect crimes. In fact, there's only one thing that links the victims...Jack Reacher. ECHO RUNNING Thumbing across the scorched Texas desert, Jack Reacher has nowhere to go and all the time in the world to get there. Cruising the same stretch of two-lane blacktop is Carmen Greer. For Reacher, a lift comes with a hitch. Carmen's got a wild story—about her husband, her family, and a hometown that's pure gothic. She's also got a plan for all of them. And now Reacher's part of it... WITHOUT FAIL Skilled, cautious, and anonymous,

Jack Reacher is perfect for the job: assassinate the vice president of the United States. In theory, that is. A female Secret Service agent wants Reacher to find the holes in her system, and fast—because a covert group already has the vice president in their sights. And they've planned for everything...except for Reacher.

Tackle the toughest set-based querying and query tuning problems—guided by an author team with in-depth, inside knowledge of T-SQL. Deepen your understanding of architecture and internals—and gain practical approaches and advanced techniques to optimize your code's performance. Discover how to: Move from procedural programming to the language of sets and logic Optimize query tuning with a top-down methodology Assess algorithmic complexity to predict performance Compare data-aggregation techniques, including new grouping sets Manage data modification—insert, delete, update, merge—for performance Write more efficient queries against partitioned tables Work with graphs, trees, hierarchies, and recursive queries Plus—Use pure-logic puzzles to sharpen your problem-solving skills

Attention all SQL Pros, DAX is not just for writing Excel-based formulas! Get hands-on learning and expert advice on how to use the vast capabilities of the DAX language to solve common data modeling challenges. Beginning DAX with Power BI teaches key concepts such as mapping techniques from SQL to DAX, filtering, grouping, joining, pivoting, and using temporary tables, all aimed at the SQL professional. Join author Philip Seamark as he guides you on a journey through typical business data transformation scenarios and challenges, and teaches you, step-by-step, how to resolve challenges using DAX. Tips, tricks, and shortcuts are included and explained, along with examples of the SQL equivalent, in order to accelerate learning. Examples in the book range from beginner to advanced, with plenty of detailed explanation when walking through each scenario. What You'll Learn Turbocharge your Power BI model by adding advanced DAX programming techniques Know when to use calculated measures versus calculated columns Generate new tables on the fly from existing data Optimize, monitor, and tune Power BI to improve performance of your models Discover new ideas, tricks, and time-saving techniques for better models Who This Book Is For Business intelligence developers, business analysts, or any SQL user who wants to use Power BI as a reporting tool. A solid understanding of SQL is recommended, as examples throughout the book include the DAX equivalents to SQL problem/solution scenarios.

The seventh edition of this popular book supports the authors' belief that guidance is more than getting children to do what you want them to do now; it is helping them to become everything they can become for all of their tomorrows. The book provides an overview, followed by discussion of core concepts, strategies for applying those concepts, and, finally, the broader perspective of professionalism and human resource development. Its approach focuses on the need to consider a child's developmental level as well as family and cultural context when planning environments and activities for young children. Unlike others in the field, it offers concrete suggestions on how to guide children while they are involved in specific activities such as playing, eating, napping, etc. For teachers and parents of young children. Presents lessons covering exam objectives, practice exercises, real-world scenarios, and practice exams on the accompanying CD-ROM.

This text does not include not include a MOAC Labs Online access code. This 70-410 Installing and Configuring Windows Server 2012 textbook prepares certification students for the first of a series of three exams which validate the

skills and knowledge necessary to implement a core Windows Server 2012 Infrastructure into an existing enterprise environment. This Microsoft Official Academic Course is mapped to the 70-410 Installing and Configuring Windows Server 2012 exam objectives. This textbook focuses on real skills for real jobs and prepares students to prove mastery of core services such as Active Directory and networking services. In addition, this book also covers such valuable skills as:

- Managing Active Directory Domain Services Objects
- Automating Active Directory Domain Services Administration
- Implementing Local Storage
- Implementing File and Print Services
- Implementing Group Policy
- Implementing Server Virtualization with Hyper-V

This book is ideal for IT professionals who have some experience with SQL Server or Database but are looking for a rich hands-on resource with guidance to explore each of the Azure SQL administrator concepts and the solutions the cloud provider offers. The book is primarily designed for Cloud DBAs (with ample knowledge of SQL server) who are new to Azure and want to have a solid start and get an in-depth glimpse on advanced topics that will help them to solve day-to-day issues plus effectively support the Azure databases. Administering Relational Databases on Microsoft Azure takes readers through a complete tour of understanding fundamental Azure concepts, Azure SQL administration, Azure Management tools, and techniques. This book will give an edge over to clear DP 300 exam. Increasingly, we continue to flood with information about the importance of the cloud. Cloud computing is everywhere, but not everyone knows exactly what it is and where to get started. We try to focus more on Azure SQL and give you the foundational understanding of what the cloud really is and tell you how some of these cloud technologies can work for you, and direct you to improve your knowledge and get certified with hassle-free learning. If you find it is for you, you will pick up useful tricks and tips for making a move to the cloud as seamless as possible. It is never too late to turn the corner from "On-premise DBA" to "Cloud DBA specialist". In most technical discussions, we see a vast gap in cloud adoption and the reality of absorption. There is always a need to learn the Next-Gen technology. In this book, you explore the importance of understanding and managing cloud databases and the skills you must build around the Cloud to face the cloud DBA certification. In addition, along the way, you will pick up great interesting insights, real-time scenarios and fundamentals, concepts of Cloud, cloud management tools, test cases, and several practice solutions.

Prepare for Microsoft Exam 70-483—and help demonstrate your real-world mastery of programming in C#. Designed for experienced software developers ready to advance their status, Exam Ref focuses on the critical-thinking and decision-making acumen needed for success at the Microsoft Specialist level. Focus on the expertise measured by these objectives: Manage Program Flow Create and Use Types Debug Applications and Implement Security Implement Data Access This Microsoft Exam Ref: Organizes its coverage by exam objectives. Features strategic, what-if scenarios to

challenge you.

T-SQL insiders help you tackle your toughest queries and query-tuning problems Squeeze maximum performance and efficiency from every T-SQL query you write or tune. Four leading experts take an in-depth look at T-SQL's internal architecture and offer advanced practical techniques for optimizing response time and resource usage. Emphasizing a correct understanding of the language and its foundations, the authors present unique solutions they have spent years developing and refining. All code and techniques are fully updated to reflect new T-SQL enhancements in Microsoft SQL Server 2014 and SQL Server 2012. Write faster, more efficient T-SQL code: Move from procedural programming to the language of sets and logic Master an efficient top-down tuning methodology Assess algorithmic complexity to predict performance Compare data aggregation techniques, including new grouping sets Efficiently perform data-analysis calculations Make the most of T-SQL's optimized bulk import tools Avoid date/time pitfalls that lead to buggy, poorly performing code Create optimized BI statistical queries without additional software Use programmable objects to accelerate queries Unlock major performance improvements with In-Memory OLTP Master useful and elegant approaches to manipulating graphs About This Book For experienced T-SQL practitioners Includes coverage updated from Inside Microsoft SQL Server 2008 T-SQL Querying and Inside Microsoft SQL Server 2008 T-SQL Programming Valuable to developers, DBAs, BI professionals, and data scientists Covers many MCSE 70-464 and MCSA/MCSE 70-461 exam topics

Use this comprehensive guide for the SQL Server DBA, covering all that practicing database administrators need to know to get their daily work done. Updated for SQL Server 2019, this edition includes coverage of new features such as Memory-optimized TempDB Metadata, and Always Encrypted with Secure Enclaves. Other new content includes coverage of Query Store, resumable index operations, installation on Linux, and containerized SQL. Pro SQL Server 2019 Administration takes DBAs on a journey that begins with planning their SQL Server deployment and runs through installing and configuring the instance, administering and optimizing database objects, and ensuring that data is secure and highly available. Finally, readers will learn how to perform advanced maintenance and tuning techniques. This book teaches you to make the most of new SQL Server 2019 functionality, including Data Discovery and Classification. The book promotes best-practice installation, shows how to configure for scalability and high workloads, and demonstrates the gamut of database-level maintenance tasks such as index maintenance, database consistency checks, and table optimizations. What You Will Learn Install and configure SQL Server on Windows through the GUI and with PowerShell Install and configure SQL Server on Linux and in Containers Optimize tables through in-memory OLTP, table partitioning, and the creation of indexes Secure and encrypt data to protect against embarrassing data breaches Ensure 24x7x365

access through high-availability and disaster recovery features Back up your data to ensure against loss, and recover data when needed Perform routine maintenance tasks such as database consistency checks Troubleshoot and solve performance problems in SQL queries and in the database engine Who This Book Is For SQL Server DBAs who manage on-premise installations of SQL Server. This book is also useful for DBAs who wish to learn advanced features such as Query Store, Extended Events, Distributed Replay, and Policy-Based Management, or those who need to install SQL Server in a variety of environments.

This official Microsoft study guide helps the reader prepare for the skills measured by MCITP Exam 70-646. Readers can work at their own pace through a series of lessons and reviews that cover each exam objective. Real-world case scenarios and practice exercises are included.

Manage and work with business data effectively by learning data modeling techniques and leveraging the latest features of Power BI Key Features Understand data modeling techniques to get the best out of data using Power BI Define the relationships between data to extract valuable insights Solve a wide variety of business challenges by building optimal data models Book Description Microsoft Power BI is one of the most popular business intelligence tools available on the market for desktop and the cloud. This book will be your guide to understanding the ins and outs of data modeling and how to create data models using Power BI confidently. You'll learn how to connect data from multiple sources, understand data, define and manage relationships between data, and shape data models. In this book, you'll explore how to use data modeling and navigation techniques to define relationships and create a data model before defining new metrics and performing custom calculations using modeling features. As you advance through the chapters, the book will demonstrate how to create full-fledged data models, enabling you to create efficient data models and simpler DAX code with new data modeling features. With the help of examples, you'll discover how you can solve business challenges by building optimal data models and changing your existing data models to meet evolving business requirements. Finally, you'll learn how to use some new and advanced modeling features to enhance your data models to carry out a wide variety of complex tasks. By the end of this Power BI book, you'll have gained the skills you need to structure data coming from multiple sources in different ways to create optimized data models that support reporting and data analytics. What you will learn Implement virtual tables and time intelligence functionalities in DAX to build a powerful model Identify Dimension and Fact tables and implement them in Power Query Editor Deal with advanced data preparation scenarios while building Star Schema Explore best practices for data preparation and data modeling Discover different hierarchies and their common pitfalls Understand complex data models and how to decrease the level of model complexity with different data modeling approaches Who this book is for This MS Power BI book is for BI users, data analysts, and analysis developers who want to become well-versed with data modeling techniques to make the most of Power BI. Basic knowledge of Power BI and Star Schema will help you to understand the concepts covered in this book.

SQL Server 2008 introduces many new features that will change database administration procedures; many DBAs will be forced to migrate to SQL Server 2008. This book teaches you how to develop the skills required to successfully administer a SQL Server 2008 database; no prior experience is required. The material covers system installation and configuration/architecting, implementing and monitoring security controls, configuring and managing network communications, automating administration tasks, disaster prevention and recovery, performance

monitoring, optimizing and ensuring high availability, as well as major SQL Server 2008 components including Integration Services, Reporting Services, Analysis Services, and Service Broker.

"Most T-SQL developers recognize the value of window functions for data analysis calculations. But they can do far more, and recent optimizations make them even more powerful. In T-SQL Window Functions, renowned T-SQL expert Itzik Ben-Gan introduces breakthrough techniques for using them to handle many common T-SQL querying tasks with unprecedented elegance and power. Using extensive code examples, he guides you through window aggregate, ranking, distribution, offset, and ordered set functions. You'll find a detailed section on optimization, plus an extensive collection of business solutions -- including novel techniques available in no other book."--provided by publisher.

Implement, maintain, and repair SQL Server 2012 databases As the most significant update since 2008, Microsoft SQL Server 2012 boasts updates and new features that are critical to understand. Whether you manage and administer SQL Server 2012 or are planning to get your MCSA: SQL Server 2012 certification, this book is the perfect supplement to your learning and preparation. From understanding SQL Server's roles to implementing business intelligence and reporting, this practical book explores tasks and scenarios that a working SQL Server DBA faces regularly and shows you step by step how to handle them. Includes practice exams and coverage of exam objectives for those seeking MCSA: SQL Server 2012 certification Explores the skills you'll need on the job as a SQL Server 2012 DBA Discusses designing and implementing database solutions Walks you through administering, maintaining, and securing SQL Server 2012 Addresses implementing high availability and data distribution Includes bonus videos where the author walks you through some of the more difficult tasks expected of a DBA Featuring hands-on exercises and real-world scenarios, this resource guides you through the essentials of implementing, maintaining, and repairing SQL Server 2012 databases.

MCSA GUIDE TO MICROSOFT SQL SERVER 2012 (Exam #70-462) provides a thorough introduction to essential database administration principles and practices to prepare readers for certification and career success. Ideal for formal courses, self-study, or professional reference, this detailed text employs a lab-based approach to help users develop the core knowledge and practical skills they need to master Microsoft SQL Server administration in an enterprise environment and pass Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate Exam 70-462. The text opens with information on the latest version of Microsoft SQL Server, offering step-by-step guidance on selecting an edition and completing initial installation and configuration. Several chapters then explore key topics such as database programming, security, performance tuning, backup and recovery, data integration, and system monitoring. Within each chapter, numerous resources and features reinforce teaching and learning, including learning objectives, summaries of key ideas, hands-on activities, discussion questions, definitions of important terms, and case studies to provide real-world context. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

As representatives from the IT community, all of us have had our own experiences of attending interviews - clearing or close to clearing and sometimes with tons of questions and doubts failing miserably. These stories are in the most pleasant or not so pleasant memories of our mind and we will assure you this book will kindle those memories for sure. We have taken tons of interviews and most of the interviews are not revolving around how deep technical and internal you know about the subject - but it revolves around how good you are with the basics. To clear an interview, one doesn't need to know inside-out of a subject, and subjects like "SQL Server" so vast that every single day we learn something new with this product, and even a complete lifetime will fly off if we keep doing this. Again, the various roles one can get

into for products like SQL Server are from Database Developer, Database Modelers, Database Architect, Database Administrator and many more. Hence, this book is geared towards demystifying and a refresher for memories on the fundamentals which sometimes are the most important things to clear any type of interview for any role. Some of the concepts discussed are generic and are not tied to any specific version of SQL Server, but most of it the new features introduced with SQL Server have been included in this book. This book is not a shortcut or a sure to crack interview guide but this book gets you prepared in an organized manner. Let us also assure you this is neither a completely comprehensive guide but surely is a great starter nevertheless. Use this to guide you and be mentally prepared for the big day. When faced with this big day, we get overwhelmed and confused about where to start our preparation. And this book is just that secret recipe in your arsenal to get geared up. Sometimes these basics will help you narrow to a solution quickly when given a scenario. Now this book's flow is "Question & Answer" mode from start till the end to help you grasp the concepts faster and to the point. Once you get an understanding of concepts, then if we are twisted with the concept in a scenario it becomes easy to solve them. Most companies have a typical way to do interviews which are based on the scenario as per their environment and these are just combinations of the concepts to fit their need and SLA. Though each of these chapters is bucketed for convenience we highly recommend reading each of the sections nevertheless irrespective of the roles you might be doing as each of the sections have some interesting trivia's working with SQL Server. In the industry, the role of accidental DBA's especially with SQL Server is so common. Hence if you have performed the role of DBA for a short stint and want to brush-up your fundamentals then the respective sections will be a great skim.

Stellar author team of Microsoft MVPs helps developers and administrators get the most out of Windows IIS 8 If you're a developer or administrator, you'll want to get thoroughly up to speed on Microsoft's new IIS 8 platform with this complete, in-depth reference. Prepare yourself to administer IIS 8 in not only commercial websites and corporate intranets, but also the mass web hosting market with this expert content. The book covers common administrative tasks associated with monitoring and managing an IIS environment--and then moves well beyond, into extensibility, scripted admin, and other complex topics. The book highlights automated options outside the GUI, options that include the PowerShell provider and AppCmd tool. It explores extensibility options for developers, including ISAPI and HTTPModules. And, it delves into security protocols and high availability/load balancing at a level of detail that is not often found in IIS books. Author team includes Microsoft MVPs and an IIS team member Covers the management and monitoring of Microsoft Internet Information Services (IIS) 8 for administrators and developers, including MOF and MOM Delves into topics not often included in IIS books, including using the PowerShell provider and AppCmd tool and other automated options, and extending IIS 8 with ISAPI or HTTPModules Explores security issues in depth, including high availability/load balancing, and the Kerberos, NTLM, and PKI/SSL protocols Explains how to debug and troubleshoot IIS Professional Microsoft IIS 8 features a wealth of information gathered from individuals running major intranets and web hosting facilities today, making this an indispensable and real-world reference to keep on hand.

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