

Windows Server 2016 Unleashed Includes Content Update Program

This is the most comprehensive and realistic guide to Windows Server 2012 planning, design, prototyping, implementation, migration, administration, and support. Extensively updated, it contains unsurpassed independent and objective coverage of Windows Server 2012's key innovations, including improved virtualization components, enhanced security tools, new web and management resources, and Windows 8 integration. Windows Server 2012 Unleashed reflects the authors' extraordinary experience implementing Windows Server 2012 in large-scale environments since its earliest alpha releases, reaching back more than two years prior to its official launch. Microsoft MVP Rand Morimoto and his colleagues fully address every aspect of deploying and operating Windows Server 2012, including Active Directory, networking and core application services, security, migration from Windows Server 2003/2008, administration, fault tolerance, optimization, troubleshooting, and much more. Valuable for Windows professionals at all skill levels, this book will be especially indispensable for intermediate-to-advanced level professionals seeking expert, in-depth solutions. Every chapter contains tips, tricks, best practices, and lessons learned from actual deployments: practical information for using Windows Server 2012 to solve real business problems. Plan and migrate from Windows Server 2003 and 2008 Leverage powerful capabilities that are truly new in Windows Server 2012 Install Windows Server 2012 and the GUI-less Windows Server Core Upgrade to Windows Server 2012 Active Directory Utilize advanced AD capabilities including federated forests and identity management Plan and deploy network services, from DNS and DHCP to IPv6, IPAM, and IIS Protect systems and data with server-level security, transport-level security, and security policies Deliver true end-to-end secured anytime/anywhere access to remote/mobile clients Efficiently configure and manage users, sites, OUs, domains, and forests through Server Manager console Create more fault-tolerant environments with DFS, clustering, and Network Load Balancing Leverage major Hyper-V virtualization improvements in availability, redundancy, and guest support Manage Active Directory more efficiently with Active Directory Administrative Center, Best Practice Analyzer, and PowerShell scripts Systematically tune, optimize, debug, and troubleshoot Windows Server 2012 Provides information on the features, functions, and implementation of Active Directory, covering such topics as management tools, searching the AD database, and the Kerberos security protocol.

Enhance and secure your datacenter with the newest Microsoft server platform Key Features Develop necessary skills to design and implement Microsoft Server 2019 in enterprise environment Provide support to your medium to large enterprise and leverage your experience in administering Microsoft Server 2019 Effectively administering Windows server 2019 with the help of practical examples Book Description Mastering Windows Server 2019 – Second Edition covers all of the essential information needed to implement and utilize this latest-and-greatest platform as the core of your data center computing needs. You will begin by installing and managing Windows Server 2019, and by clearing up common points of confusion surrounding the versions and licensing of this new product. Centralized management, monitoring, and configuration of servers is key to an efficient IT department, and you will discover multiple methods for quickly managing all of your servers from a single pane of glass. To this end, you will spend time inside Server Manager, PowerShell, and even the new Windows Admin Center, formerly known as Project Honolulu. Even though this book is focused on Windows Server 2019 LTSC, we will still discuss containers and Nano Server, which are more commonly related to the SAC channel of the server platform, for a well-rounded exposition of all aspects of using Windows Server in your environment. We also discuss the various remote access technologies available in this operating system, as well as guidelines for virtualizing your data center with Hyper-V. By the end of this book, you will have all the ammunition required to start planning for, implementing, and managing Windows. What you will learn Work with the updated Windows Server 2019 interface, including Server Core and Windows Admin Center Secure your network and data with new technologies in Windows Server 2019 Learn about containers and understand the appropriate situations to use Nano Server Discover new ways to integrate your data center with Microsoft Azure Harden your Windows Servers to help keep the bad guys out Virtualize your data center with Hyper-V Who this book is for If you are a System Administrator or an IT professional interested in designing and deploying Windows Server 2019 then this book is for you. Previous experience of Windows Server operating systems and familiarity with networking concepts is required.

With more than 250 ready-to-use recipes, this solutions-oriented introduction to the Windows PowerShell scripting environment and language provides administrators with the tools to be productive immediately.

Microsoft Visual Studio 2015 empowers you to write next-generation applications for any modern environment: mobile, web, cloud, universal Windows 10/8.x, database, and beyond. This end-to-end deep dive will help working developers squeeze maximum productivity out of Microsoft's powerful new toolset. The authors combine authoritative and detailed information about Microsoft's latest IDE, with extensive insights and best practices drawn from decades of development experience. Developers will quickly get comfortable with Visual Studio 2015's updated interface, master its new capabilities, leverage its extensive new support for open standards, and discover multiple opportunities to leverage its .NET 4.6 platform and language improvements. By focusing entirely on Visual Studio 2015 Professional, the authors go deeper into Microsoft's core product than ever before. You'll find expert coverage of everything from debugging through deploying to Azure, IDE extension and automation through cross-platform mobile development. Throughout, this book's focus is relentlessly practical: how to apply Microsoft's tools to build better software, faster. Detailed information on how to... Master Visual Studio 2015's updated interface and key tools: Solutions, Projects, Browsers, Explorers, Editors, and Designers to improve productivity Develop robust cross-platform mobile apps for Windows, iOS, and Android using Apache Cordova templates for Visual Studio Use the new ASP.NET 5 to build modern web solutions that run on Windows, Mac, or Linux Develop Single Page Applications (SPAs) based on HTML5 and rich client-side JavaScript frameworks such as Knockout, AngularJS, Bootstrap, and more Accelerate cloud development with the Azure SDK, QuickStart templates, and Azure management portal Create mobile service solutions using ASP.NET Web API and WCF Streamline data development across multiple platforms with Entity Framework 7 Develop modern Microsoft Office business applications Perform robust, automated unit testing as you code, increasing your confidence in changes and refactoring Extend the VS 2015 IDE and Code Editor by creating custom, productivity-enhancing solutions Download all examples and source code presented in this book from informit.com/title/9780672337369 as they become available.

The IT pro's must-have guide to Windows Server 2016 Mastering Windows Server 2016 is a complete resource for IT professionals needing to get quickly up to date on the latest release. Designed to provide comprehensive information in the context of real-world usage, this book offers expert guidance through the new tools and features to help you get Windows Server 2016 up and running quickly. Straightforward discussion covers all aspects, including virtualization products, identity and access, automation, networking, security, storage and more, with clear explanations and immediately-applicable instruction. Find the answers you need, and explore new solutions as Microsoft increases their focus on security, software-defined infrastructure, and the cloud; new capabilities including containers and Nano Server, Shielded VMs, Failover Clustering, PowerShell, and more give you plenty of tools to become more efficient, more effective, and more productive. Windows Server 2016 is the ideal server for Windows 10 clients, and is loaded with new features that IT professionals need to know. This book provides a comprehensive resource grounded in real-world application to help you get up to speed quickly. Master the latest features of Windows Server 2016 Apply new tools in real-world scenarios Explore new capabilities in security, networking, and the cloud Gain expert guidance on all aspect of Windows Server 2016 migration and management System administrators tasked with upgrading, migrating, or managing Windows Server 2016 need a one-stop resource to help them get the job done. Mastering Windows Server 2016 has the answers you need, the practicality you seek, and the latest information to get you up to speed quickly.

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Part of a series of specialized guides on System Center - this book shares real-world expertise for using Configuration Manager capabilities to deliver more effective IT services. Series editor Mitch Tulloch and a team of System Center experts provide concise technical guidance as they step you through key deployment and management scenarios.

HANDS-ON MICROSOFT WINDOWS SERVER 2016 is the perfect resource for learning Windows Server 2016 from the ground up. Designed to build a foundation in basic server administration, this book requires no previous server experience. It covers all of the critical Windows Server 2016 features, including the advantages unique to this new server operating system. Readers learn how to choose the right server edition for their needs. They also learn to install, configure, customize, manage, and troubleshoot today's servers most effectively. If the reader is new to server administration, this book provides the background and knowledge needed to manage servers on small to large networks. If the reader is an experienced server administrator, this book provides a fast way to get up to speed on new Windows Server 2016 administration. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

System Center Configuration Manager Current Branch provides a total systems management solution for a people-centric world. It can deploy applications to individuals using virtually any device or platform, centralizing and automating management across on-premise, service provider, and Microsoft Azure environments. In System Center Configuration Manager Current Branch Unleashed, a team of world-renowned System Center experts shows you how to make the most of this powerful toolset. The authors begin by introducing modern systems management and offering practical strategies for coherently managing today's IT infrastructures. Drawing on their immense consulting experience, they offer expert guidance for ConfigMgr planning, architecture, and implementation. You'll walk through efficiently performing a wide spectrum of ConfigMgr operations, from managing clients, updates, and compliance to reporting. Finally, you'll find current best practices for administering ConfigMgr, from security to backups. Detailed information on how to: Successfully manage distributed, people-centric, cloud-focused IT environments Optimize ConfigMgr architecture, design, and deployment plans to reflect your environment Smoothly install ConfigMgr Current Branch and migrate from Configuration Manager 2012 Save time and improve efficiency by automating system management Use the console to centralize control over infrastructure, software, users, and devices Discover and manage clients running Windows, macOS, Linux, and UNIX Define, monitor, enforce, remediate, and report on all aspects of configuration compliance Deliver the right software to the right people with ConfigMgr applications and deployment types Reliably manage patches and updates, including Office 365 client updates Integrate Intune to manage on-premise and mobile devices through a single console Secure access to corporate resources from mobile devices Manage Microsoft's enterprise antimalware platform with System Center Endpoint Protection Using this guide's proven techniques and comprehensive reference information, you can maximize the value of ConfigMgr in your environment—no matter how complex it is or how quickly it's changing.

The most complete, practical guide to BizTalk Server 2009: an all-new book focused on delivering real, start-to-finish enterprise solutions • Pragmatic coverage of every crucial step of BizTalk development: architecture, design, infrastructure, deployment, lifecycle management, and more. • Fully up to date with the R2 release of BizTalk Server 2009. • Not a revision of previous BizTalk Server Unleashed books, but completely rewritten from the ground up. Microsoft BizTalk Server 2009 Unleashed is the definitive, pragmatic guide to Microsoft BizTalk Server Microsoft's latest and most powerful version of BizTalk Server. In this book, a team of world-class BizTalk Server 2009 experts bring together the deep practical insights .NET developers need to solve real business problems with BizTalk Server 2009 in any enterprise environment. Drawing on their immense BizTalk experience, the authors present best practices for the entire development lifecycle, from planning and architecture through deployment, and beyond. Writing at just the right level of technical detail for experienced .NET developers now starting out with BizTalk, they cover these and many other crucial issues: • Architecting and designing effective, high-value BizTalk solutions. • Working with BizTalk schemas, maps, orchestrations, pipelines, pipeline components, and adapters. • Implementing business rules with the Microsoft Business Rules Framework. • Creating highly-available, high-performance BizTalk environments. • Monitoring business activity. • Collaborating effectively among BizTalk developers and users. • Using BizTalk's leading-edge RFID capabilities Note: This is a 100% new book, NOT an update to 2004 Unleashed

NOTE: This title is also available as a free eBook on the Microsoft Download Center. It is offered for sale in print format as a convenience. Get a head start evaluating Windows Server 2012 R2 - with technical insights from a Microsoft MVP and members of the Windows Server product team. Based on final Windows Server 2012 R2 release-to-manufacturing (RTM) software, this guide introduces new features and capabilities, with scenario-based advice on how the platform can meet the needs of your business. Get the high-level overview you need to begin preparing your deployment now. Coverage includes: Server virtualization and cloud solutions Availability and scalability Provisioning and storage management Security features, access, and data protection Infrastructure options Server management and automation

Manage and administer your environment with ease About This Book Get your hands on learning the fundamentals to managing and administering Windows Server 2016. A step-by-step guide that will help you develop necessary skills and knowledge to manage an enterprise environment. Learn to implement strong networking and security practices into your Windows Server environment. Who This Book Is For If you are a System administrator or an IT professional interested in configuring and deploying Windows Server 2016 then, this book is for you. This book will also help readers clear the MTA: Windows Server Administration Fundamentals: 98-365 exam. What You Will Learn Become familiar with Windows Server OS concepts Learn how to install Windows Server 2016 Learn how to install device drivers and run services in Windows Server 2016 Learn how to add and install roles in Windows Server 2016 Learn how to apply GPO to your Windows Server 2016 environment Learn how to tune, maintain, update, and troubleshoot Windows Server 2016 Prepare for the MTA 98-365 exam 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. This book is designed to get you started with Windows Server 2016. It will prepare you for your MTA 98-365 exam. With step-by-step instructions driven by targeted, easy-to-understand graphics, you will be able to understand the roles, features, functions, and quirks of Windows Server 2016. The book begins with the basics of Windows Server 2016, which includes the installation process and basic configuration. You will then move on to roles and features such as Active Directory, Hyper-V, Remote Access, Storage, and Printer. With the help of real-world examples, you will get to grips with the fundamentals of Windows Server 2016, which will help you solve difficult tasks the easy way. Later, the book also shows you maintenance and troubleshooting tasks, where with the help of best practices you will be able to manage Windows Server 2016 with ease. Each

chapter ends with a questionnaire to ensure you make the best use of the content provided. By the end of this book, you will have the knowledge required to administer and manage Windows Server environments. Style and approach With step-by-step instructions driven by targeted, easy-to-understand graphics, this book explains and shows you how to use the roles and features, functions, and quirks of the Windows Server 2016. The chapters are presented in a step by step format accompanied by graphics wherever applicable.

The #1 WPF Book--Now Updated for WPF 4.5! Thorough, authoritative coverage, practical examples, clear writing, and full-color presentation make this one of the most widely acclaimed programming books of the last decade. Windows Presentation Foundation (WPF) is the recommended technology for creating modern Windows desktop apps. Whether you want to develop traditional user interfaces or integrate 3D graphics, audio/video, animation, dynamic skinning, touch, rich document support, speech recognition, or more, WPF enables you to do so in a seamless, resolution-independent manner that scales from small tablets to large TVs. WPF 4.5 Unleashed is the authoritative book that covers it all, in a practical and approachable fashion, authored by WPF guru and Microsoft architect Adam Nathan. Covers everything you need to know about Extensible Application Markup Language (XAML) Examines the WPF feature areas in incredible depth: controls, layout, resources, data binding, styling, graphics, animation, and more Delves into topics that aren't covered by most books: 3D, speech, audio/video, documents, effects Shows how to create popular UI elements and leverage built-in controls such as the new Office-style Ribbon Demonstrates how to create sophisticated UI mechanisms, such as Visual Studio-like collapsible/dockable panes Explains how to create first-class custom controls for WPF Demonstrates how to create hybrid WPF software that leverages Windows Forms, DirectX, ActiveX, or other non-WPF technologies Explains how to exploit desktop features, such as Jump Lists and taskbar customizations, and the same toast notifications used by Windows Store apps

Book + Content Update Program SQL Server 2016 High Availability Unleashed provides start-to-finish coverage of SQL Server's powerful high availability (HA) solutions for your traditional on-premise databases, cloud-based databases (Azure or AWS), hybrid databases (on-premise coupled with the cloud), and your emerging Big Data solutions. This complete guide introduces an easy-to-follow, formal HA methodology that has been refined over the past several years and helps you identify the right HA solution for your needs. There is also additional coverage of both disaster recovery and business continuity architectures and considerations. You are provided with step-by-step guides, examples, and sample code to help you set up, manage, and administer these highly available solutions. All examples are based on existing production deployments at major Fortune 500 companies around the globe. This book is for all intermediate-to-advanced SQL Server and Big Data professionals, but is also organized so that the first few chapters are great foundation reading for CIOs, CTOs, and even some tech-savvy CFOs. Learn a formal, high availability methodology for understanding and selecting the right HA solution for your needs Deep dive into Microsoft Cluster Services Use selective data replication topologies Explore thorough details on AlwaysOn and availability groups Learn about HA options with log shipping and database mirroring/ snapshots Get details on Microsoft Azure for Big Data and Azure SQL Explore business continuity and disaster recovery Learn about on-premise, cloud, and hybrid deployments Provide all types of database needs, including online transaction processing, data warehouse and business intelligence, and Big Data Explore the future of HA and disaster recovery In addition, this book is part of InformIT's exciting Content Update Program, which provides content updates for major technology improvements! As significant updates are made to SQL Server, sections of this book will be updated or new sections will be added to match the updates to the technologies. As updates become available, they will be delivered to you via a free Web Edition of this book, which can be accessed with any Internet connection. To learn more, visit informit.com/cup. How to access the Web Edition: Follow the instructions inside to learn how to register your book to access the FREE Web Edition.

C# 4.0 Unleashed is a practical reference focusing on the C# language and the .NET platform as a whole. While covering the language in lots of detail, it also provides enough coverage of various popular .NET technologies and techniques (such as debugging) for the reader to be successful on the .NET platform. The in-depth coverage of the language features is crucial to the success of a developer. Knowing exactly where and why to use certain language features can boost efficiency significantly. This book differs from other works by going into enough depth on how things work, while not being a clone of the formal language specification. Concise anecdotes with concrete samples illustrate how certain language features behave, and also point out possible caveats in using them. On the side of platform coverage, the author provides a gentle introduction to the wide landscape of the .NET platform, following a logical structure that reflects the high-level architecture of an application: presentation, logic, data, connectivity, etc. In the .NET part of the book there's coverage of relevant new technologies such as cloud computing, modeling, and parallel programming - things that will gain much more attention moving forward. Provides valuable insight into the C# language and the .NET Framework - not just "what" but also the "how" and "why" of the language and framework features Covers using C# with new major technologies, such as cloud computing, SharePoint, and ASP.NET MVC Author is Microsoft insider Will be day and date with the release of C# 4.0

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

The "Missing Guide" to Windows Server Essentials.Windows Server 2016 Essentials is the latest version of Microsoft's server operating system designed for organizations with up to 25 employees. However, as with most modern applications it comes with only the most basic of instructions. Windows Server 2016 Essentials Installation Guide for Small Businesses is a succinct installation guide produced from a real

world perspective and written according to the Goldilocks Principle - not too little information, not too much information, but just right. With over 190 illustrations and screenshots, practical examples and clear explanations it takes you through setting up Essentials in a typical small business. Whether you are installing Essentials for the first time, are planning to do so or are just plain curious, you will find this proven guide of interest and help.

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This book contains more than 65 recipes that will equip you with what you need to know to work with Windows 2016 Server. This book will help you learn how to administrate your Windows Server for optimal performance. Key Features

- A focussed guide to help you with the core functionalities of Windows Server 2016
- Explore tasks that will help you build a datacenter from scratch using Windows Server 2016
- Step-by-step instructions for common Windows Server administration duties

Book Description Windows Server 2016 is an operating system designed to run on servers. It supports enterprise-level data storage, communications, management, and applications. This book contains specially selected, detailed help on core, essential administrative tasks of Windows Server 2016. This book starts by helping you to navigate the interface of Windows Server 2016, and quickly shifts gears to implementing roles that are necessarily in any Microsoft-centric datacenter. This book will also help you leverage the web services platform built into Windows Server 2016, available to anyone who runs this latest and greatest Server operating system. Further, you will also learn to compose optimal Group Policies and monitor system performance and IP address management. This book will be a handy quick-reference guide for any Windows Server administrator, providing easy to read, step-by-step instructions for many common administrative tasks that will be part of any Server Administrator's job description as they administer their Windows Server 2016 powered servers. The material in the book has been selected from the content of Packt's Windows Server 2016 Cookbook by Jordan Krause to provide a specific focus on key Windows Server administration tasks. What you will learn

- Become skilled in the navigation of Windows Server 2016, and explore the technologies and options that it provides
- Build the infrastructure required for a successful Windows Server network
- Move away from those open-source web server platforms and start migrating your websites to Server 2016's Internet Information Services today
- Provide a centralized point for users to access applications and data by configuring Remote Desktop Services
- Compose optimal Group Policies

Who this book is for This book is for system administrators or IT professionals who want the skills to manage and maintain the core infrastructure of a Windows Server 2016 environment. Prior experience in Windows Server 2012 R2 environments will be helpful.

Microsoft Dynamics® CRM 2016 Unleashed presents start-to-finish guidance for planning, customizing, deploying, integrating, managing, and securing every new Online and On-Premises version of Dynamics CRM 2016. Leading Dynamics implementer Marc Wolenik presents comprehensive coverage of configuring, customizing, and operating Dynamics to serve your organization's unique needs. He illuminates Microsoft's renewed focus on services, via the Interactive Service Hub (ISH) and advanced cross-platform mobile client support. You'll also find extensive new coverage of key enhancements including xRM, Adxstudio Portals, FieldOne, Parature, Voice of the Customer, and FantasySalesTeam gamification. In addition, this book is part of Sam's Content Update Program. As Microsoft updates features of Windows 10, sections of this book will be updated or new sections will be added to match the updates to the software. The updates will be delivered to you via a free Web Edition of this book, which can be accessed with any Internet connection. Wolenik's example-rich guidance will be invaluable to every IT professional who intends to work with Dynamics CRM 2016, regardless of her experience with Dynamics, Salesforce, or other CRM solutions. Drawing on extensive insider knowledge, he systematically explains how Dynamics CRM 2016 works, why it works that way, and how to maximize its value. You'll find proven best practices for using every significant Dynamics capability—information available in no other book. Detailed information on how to...

- Compare each version of Dynamics CRM 2016, make your best choice, and deploy painlessly
- Leverage Dynamics CRM 2016 as a complete customer engagement solution for all channels and devices
- Quickly apply capabilities that previously required extensive programming or complex workarounds
- Efficiently manage accounts, leads, campaigns, collateral, cases, contacts, opportunities, orders, products, quotes, invoices, teams, and more
- Integrate schedules, cases, contacts, and product/service information
- Build powerful automated workflows, processes, and complete solutions
- Customize product catalogs to reduce SKUs, create bundles, and define up-sells or cross-sells
- Capture the Voice of the Customer with powerful new survey tools
- Build state-of-the-art customer service dashboards
- Create seamless, mobile-optimized self-service web portals with Adxstudio
- Make CRM more fun and compelling with FantasySalesTeam games
- Extend Dynamics CRM 2016 with custom plug-ins and add-ons

'System Center Operations Manager 2012 Unleashed' joins Sams' market-leading series of books on Microsoft's System Center product suite: books that have achieved go-to status amongst IT implementers and administrators worldwide. The book provides coverage of planning, installation, and migration; configuration; and much more --

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networking, application services, security, administration, business continuity, virtualization, optimization, and troubleshooting. You'll find up-to-the-minute coverage of new features ranging from Storage Spaces Direct to Cluster-Aware Updating, and Dynamic Access Control to Nano Server. Valuable for Windows pros at all levels, this book will be indispensable especially for intermediate-to-advanced level professionals seeking expert, in-depth solutions. Every chapter contains tips, tricks, best practices, and lessons learned from actual deployments--practical help for solving real problems. Detailed information on how to: Take full advantage of key Windows Server 2016 innovations Plan, prototype, install, migrate to, and deploy Windows Server 2016 and Server Core Design a modern Windows Server Active Directory, from OUs and infrastructure to Federated Forests and Lightweight Directories Deliver reliable networking services: DNS, WINS, DNSSEC, DHCP, IPv6, IPAM, and IIS Systematically harden server-level security Protect data in transit with PKI, certificates, rights management, and IPsec encryption Safely provide appropriate remote and mobile access for your users Efficiently administer, automate, maintain, and document Windows Server production environments Control Windows devices centrally with Group Policies and Policy Management Implement advanced fault tolerance, clustering, and other business continuity features Optimize, tune, and debug Windows Server, and plan for growth Leverage integrated application services, including SharePoint and Hyper-V

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.

The in-depth, authoritative reference for intermediate to advanced IT professionals. Windows Server 2016: Domain Infrastructure by William Stanek provides solutions, workarounds, tips, and insights for IT pros working with Windows Server 2016. This exhaustive and comprehensive work provides a deep dive into the operating system that will teach you how to squeeze every last bit of power and make the most of the features and programs available. Inside this superbly organized guide, packed with expert advice, you'll find hundreds of timesaving solutions for managing and maintaining Windows Server 2016. Topics covered in this book include: Designing Active Directory Infrastructure Managing and maintaining Accounts Configuring Account Policies Troubleshooting and resetting Accounts Planning OUs, Domains and Forests Managing Operations Masters and Global Catalogs Delegating Authentication Managing Domain and Forest Trusts Managing Replication and Revising Site Design Diagnosing and Resolving Trusts and Authentication Issues Implementing Active Directory Domain Services Deploying Read-only Domain Controllers Monitoring and Troubleshooting Replication Creating and Managing GPOs Managing Group Policy Inheritance and Processing Maintaining and Troubleshooting Group Policy And Much, Much More!! This book, Windows Server 2016: Domain Infrastructure, is designed to be used with other volumes in the Tech Artisans Library for Windows Server 2016, which together provide a definitive resource for all of the core features and enhancements in the operating system. Windows Server expert William Stanek doesn't just show you the steps you need to follow, he tells you how features work, why you would want to configure them, and how you can optimize them to meet your needs. Windows Server 2016 is Microsoft's most powerful, versatile and fully featured operating system yet. Get this book and the others in the Tech Artisans Library to conquer it from the inside out.

Expert advice for Exchange Server 2016 and Exchange Online right at your fingertips. Practical and precise, this hands-on guide with ready answers is designed for architects, administrators, engineers and others working with on-premises, online and hybrid implementations of Microsoft Exchange. If you're an IT Pro responsible for configuring, managing and maintaining Exchange Server 2016 or Exchange Online, start with this well-organized and authoritative resource. Inside, you'll find expert insights, tips, tricks and workarounds that will show you how to master Exchange Server 2016 and Exchange Online in the shortest amount of time possible. During the course of reading this book, you will master a number of complex topics, techniques, commands and functions. Topics include establishing remote sessions with Exchange Server 2016 and Exchange Online; creating mailbox-enabled user accounts; adding mailboxes to existing accounts; connecting to Exchange Online and Windows Azure using PowerShell; creating mail-enabled contacts; adding equipment, room and other special purpose mailboxes; moving, maintaining and repairing mailboxes; managing delivery restrictions, permissions and storage limits; managing address lists and distribution groups; configuring mail support for Outlook; customizing the Exchange Shell; configuring role-based Exchange permissions; and many more topics essential for Exchange administration. Not only will this informative training manual help you become familiar with many new ideas, it'll help you master Exchange Server 2016 and Exchange Online in the shortest amount of time possible. After completing your Exchange Server 2016 and Exchange Online journey with this in-depth guide, you will be ready to support Microsoft Exchange regardless of whether you are working in an on-premises, online or hybrid environment. As

you will soon learn, Microsoft Exchange is versatile, flexible and highly customizable, allowing you to personalize the messaging system to meet your needs. Get the focused information you need to solve problems and get the job done. Saute your way through more than 100 hands-on recipes designed to prepare any server administrator to work with Windows Server 2016 About This Book Get the first book on the market to unleash the power of Windows Server 2016, which improves the lives of thousands of enterprise users Be the first to leverage the advent of Containers and Nano Server on Windows Server 2016, which utilizes the resources efficiently and increases productivity. This practical, recipe-based approach helps you to delivering global-scale cloud services into your infrastructure using Windows Server 2016 Who This Book Is For This book is for system administrators and IT professionals with experience in Windows Server 2012 R2 environments who are looking to acquire the skills and knowledge necessary to manage and maintain the core infrastructure required for a Windows Server 2016 environment. What You Will Learn Build the infrastructure required for a successful Windows network Navigate the new Server 2016 interface efficiently Implement solid networking and security practices into your Windows Server environment Design your own PKI and start issuing certificates today Explore the brand-new Nano Server functionality Enable nested virtualization on Hyper-V and Server Connect your remote laptops back to the corporate network using Microsoft's own remote access technologies, including DirectAccess Provide a centralized point for users to access applications and data by configuring Remote Desktop Services Compose optimal Group Policies Facilitate task automation with PowerShell 5.0 scripting In Detail This hands-on Cookbook is stuffed full of practical recipes that will help you handle the essential administrative tasks in Windows Server 2016. You'll start by familiarizing yourself with the look and feel of Windows Server 2016, and will then learn how to navigate through some daily tasks using the graphical interface. You will see how to compose optimal Group Policies and facilitate task automation with PowerShell 5.0 scripting. We will also take a look at the functions available to provide remote network access to your traveling users, and explore the much anticipated Nano Server and Hyper-V built-in integration support that is brand new in Windows Server 2016. By the end of this book, you will know how to take your Windows Server 2016-powered server and turn it into any common infrastructure role that might be required in your company. Style and approach The book follows a recipe-based approach that starts with an introduction and the installation of Windows Server 2016, then dives into the powerful features, and then ends with the concept of security.

The one book you absolutely need to get up and running with Windows Server 2008 R2. One of the world's leading Windows authorities and top-selling author Mark Minasi explores every nook and cranny of the latest version of Microsoft's flagship network operating system, Windows Server 2008 R2, giving you the most in-depth coverage in any book on the market. Focuses on Windows Windows Server 2008 R2, the newest version of Microsoft's Windows' server line of operating system, and the ideal server for new Windows 7 clients Author Mark Minasi is one of the world's leading Windows authorities and has taught tens of thousands of people to design and run Windows networks Covers Windows storage concepts and skills, Windows Server 2008 IP, WINS, NetBIOS, LMHosts, DNS, creating the simple Active Directory, and creating and managing user accounts Explains Group Policy in Active Directory; files, folders and shares; Sysvol, old and new; sharing printers on the network; remote server administration; connecting Windows clients to your network; working the Web with IIS 7.0; and AD maintenance and recovery Provides workarounds for things that don't quite work as they should and how-tos for many undocumented features Find out everything you want to know-and then some!

This super-sized desktop reference combines two personal training guides in one convenient volume. Completely updated for Windows Server 2016 RTM and covering all editions of the operating system. Over 250,000 words. Includes: Windows Server 2016: Essentials for Administration Windows Server 2016: Server Infrastructure Inside you'll find expert insights, tips, tricks and workarounds that will save time and help you get the job done by giving you the right information right now. During the course of reading this book, you will master a number of complex topics, techniques, commands and functions. Like the individual books themselves and all IT Pro Solutions books, this reference set will be updated periodically to keep pace with the changes in Windows Server 2016. Pricing of this set is based on the MSRP of \$29.99 for each ebook. From time to time you may find introductory or sale pricing of the individual books. Topics covered include: Planning for Windows Server 2016 and developing a deployment plan Using containers, virtualization and nano server Configuring server roles, services and features Managing and troubleshooting Active Directory Creating and managing user, group and computer accounts Monitoring and tuning performance Optimizing security settings, policies and templates Managing file services and data storage Configuring file sharing Managing share permissions and auditing resource usage Using group policy for administration Configuring and maintaining print services Deploying essential infrastructure services including DHCP and DNS Maintaining and troubleshooting Windows Server 2016 And much, much more!!! Not only will this informative training manual help you become familiar with essential concepts, it'll help you reach new levels of mastery. This is the ideal ready-answers reference you'll want with you at all times. Table of Contents Chapter 1. Welcome to Windows Server 2016 Chapter 2. Working with Windows Servers Chapter 3. Configuring Server Settings Chapter 4. Understanding Active Directory Chapter 5. Managing Active Directory Chapter 6. Maintaining Active Directory Chapter 7. Accounts: The Essentials Chapter 8. Managing Account Policies Chapter 9. Creating Accounts Chapter 10. Working with Managed Accounts Chapter 11. Managing Computers, Users and Groups Chapter 12. Maintaining Your Servers Chapter 13. Optimizing Server Performance Chapter 14. Using Group Policy Chapter 15. Maintaining and Troubleshooting Group Policy Chapter 16. Optimizing Server Security Chapter 17. Deploying Windows Server 2016 Chapter 18. Implementing TCP/IP Networking Chapter 19. Data Storage: The Essentials Chapter 20. Partitioning and Optimizing Drives Chapter 21. Using TPM and BitLocker Drive Encryption Chapter 22. Using Storage Spaces Chapter 23. Using RAID Chapter 24. Maintaining Partitions and Drives Chapter 25. Implementing File Sharing Chapter 26. Using Shadow Copies and Work Folders Chapter 27. Managing Permissions and

Auditing Chapter 28. Configuring Disk Quotas Chapter 29. Using Group Policy for Administration Chapter 30. Implementing Print Services Chapter 31. Configuring and Maintaining Print Services Chapter 32. Implementing DHCP Chapter 33. Managing and Maintaining DHCP Chapter 34. Implementing DNS Chapter 35. Managing and Maintaining DNS Thank you readers for your years of support! Check the companion website for updates and details on extras. Your support of this reference set will ensure that I can continue to refresh and expand it.

Windows Small Business Server 2008 provides all the tools small companies need to improve collaboration, enhance productivity, and manage and secure all their information. In this book, a team of leading SBS experts brings together the in-depth knowledge and real-world insights you need to make the most of this state-of-the-art product. Microsoft Most Valuable Professionals Eriq Neale and his colleagues cover every facet of planning, deploying, and managing SBS 2008. The authors begin by showing how to install and configure SBS 2008 for maximum efficiency, performance, and ease of administration. You'll learn how to securely utilize SBS 2008's comprehensive Internet, file, and print services; simplify and automate both server and workstation management; and take full advantage of both SharePoint collaboration and Exchange communication tools. This book is packed with expert tips, tricks, and troubleshooting techniques drawn from the authors' unsurpassed experience helping companies succeed with SBS. Whether you're a full-time IT professional or a power user who's managing SBS in your spare time, it will be your most valuable resource. Detailed information on how to... Plan, install, configure, and customize SBS 2008 in any environment Set up and manage SBS 2008-based networks, Web access, and collaboration—including SharePoint Services 3.0 Leverage Remote Web Workplace and other advanced remote access solutions Manage email and other communications with SBS 2008's built-in Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 Centrally control Windows Vista, Windows XP, and other clients Seamlessly integrate Macintosh computers into your Windows network Protect your servers and workstations against both internal and external threats Prepare backups and disaster recovery plans you can actually use in an emergency Streamline and automate administration using Microsoft PowerShell

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Skype for Business Unleashed This is the most comprehensive, realistic, and useful guide to Skype for Business Server 2015, Microsoft's most powerful unified communications system. Four leading Microsoft unified communications consultants share in-the-trenches guidance for planning, integration, migration, deployment, administration, and more. The authors thoroughly introduce Skype for Business 2015's components and capabilities, as well as changes and improvements associated with the integration of popular Skype consumer technologies. You'll find detailed coverage of IP voice, instant messaging, conferencing, and collaboration; and expert guidance on server roles, multi-platform clients, security, and troubleshooting. Reflecting their unsurpassed experience, the authors illuminate Microsoft's new cloud-based and hybrid cloud architectures for unified communications, showing how these impact networking, security, and Active Directory. They cover SDN for unified communications; interoperation with consumer Skype and legacy video conferencing; quality optimization, mobile improvements, and much more. Throughout, the authors combine theory, step-by-step configuration instructions, and best practices from real enterprise environments. Simply put, you'll learn what works—and how it's done. Detailed Information on How To · Plan deployments, from simple to highly complex · Deploy Skype for Business Server 2015 as a cloud or cloud-hybrid solution · Walk step by step through installation or an in-place upgrade · Overcome “gotchas” in migrating from Lync Server 2010 or 2013 · Leverage new features available only in cloud or cloud-hybrid environments · Implement and manage Mac, mobile, Windows, browser, and virtualized clients · Establish server roles, including front end, edge, and mediation server · Make the most of Skype for Business Server

2015's enhanced mobile experience · Manage external dependencies: network requirements, dependent services, and security infrastructure · Efficiently administer Skype for Business Server 2015 · Provide for high availability and disaster recovery · Integrate voice, telephony, and video, step by step · Avoid common mistakes, and discover expert solutions and workarounds Category: Business Applications Covers: Skype for Business User Level: Intermediate—Advanced Designed to help enterprise administrators develop real-world, job-role-specific skills—this Training Guide focuses on deploying and managing core infrastructure services in Windows Server 2012. Build hands-on expertise through a series of lessons, exercises, and suggested practices—and help maximize your performance on the job. This Microsoft Training Guide: Provides in-depth, hands-on training you take at your own pace Focuses on job-role-specific expertise for deploying and managing Windows Server 2012 core services Creates a foundation of skills which, along with on-the-job experience, can be measured by Microsoft Certification exams such as 70-410 Coverage includes: Deploying Servers and Domain Controllers Remote Management Administering Active Directory Network Administration Using Group Policy Provisioning and Managing Storage Deploying Hyper-V Hosts Deploying and Managing Virtualized Workloads Deploying File Servers Managing Print Services

Book + Content Update Program SQL Server 2016 High Availability Unleashed provides start-to-finish coverage of SQL Server's powerful high availability (HA) solutions for your traditional on-premise databases, cloud-based databases (Azure or AWS), hybrid databases (on-premise coupled with the cloud), and your emerging Big Data solutions. This complete guide introduces an easy-to-follow, formal HA methodology that has been refined over the past several years and helps you identify the right HA solution for your needs. There is also additional coverage of both disaster recovery and business continuity architectures and considerations. You are provided with step-by-step guides, examples, and sample code to help you set up, manage, and administer these highly available solutions. All examples are based on existing production deployments at major Fortune 500 companies around the globe. This book is for all intermediate-to-advanced SQL Server and Big Data professionals, but is also organized so that the first few chapters are great foundation reading for CIOs, CTOs, and even some tech-savvy CFOs. Learn a formal, high availability methodology for understanding and selecting the right HA solution for your needs Deep dive into Microsoft Cluster Services Use selective data replication topologies Explore thorough details on AlwaysOn and availability groups Learn about HA options with log shipping and database mirroring/ snapshots Get details on Microsoft Azure for Big Data and Azure SQL Explore business continuity and disaster recovery Learn about on-premise, cloud, and hybrid deployments Provide all types of database needs, including online transaction processing, data warehouse and business intelligence, and Big Data Explore the future of HA and disaster recovery In addition, this book is part of InformIT's exciting Content Update Program, which provides content updates for major technology improvements! As significant updates are made to SQL Server, sections of this book will be updated or new sections will be added to match the updates to the technologies. As updates become available, they will be delivered to you via a free Web Edition of this book, which can be accessed with any Internet connection. To learn more, visit informit.com/cup. How to access the Web Edition: Follow the instructions inside to learn how to register your book to access the FREE Web Edition.

NOTE: This title is also available as a free eBook on the Microsoft Download Center. It is offered for sale in print format as a convenience. Get a head start evaluating SQL Server 2014 - guided by two experts who have worked with the technology from the earliest beta. Based on Community Technology Preview 2 (CTP2) software, this guide introduces new features and capabilities, with practical insights on how SQL Server 2014 can meet the needs of your business. Get the early, high-level overview you need to begin preparing your deployment now. Coverage includes: SQL Server 2014 Editions and engine enhancements Mission-critical performance enhancements Hybrid cloud enhancements Self-service Business Intelligence enhancements in Microsoft Excel Enterprise information management enhancements Big Data solutions

Discusses how to configure and manage Microsoft Server 2012's expanded capabilities, covering data management, user permissions, networking tools, and data integrity.

The bestselling guide to Exchange Server, fully updated for the newest version Microsoft Exchange Server 2013 is touted as a solution for lowering the total cost of ownership, whether deployed on-premise or in the cloud. Like the earlier editions, this comprehensive guide covers every aspect of installing, configuring, and managing this multifaceted collaboration system. It offers Windows systems administrators and consultants a complete tutorial and reference, ideal for anyone installing Exchange Server for the first time or those migrating from an earlier Exchange Server version. Microsoft Exchange Server 2013 is a messaging system that allows for access to e-mail, voicemail, and calendars from a variety of devices and any location, making it ideal for the enterprise. With more than 21,000 copies of earlier editions sold, this comprehensive guide offers systems administrators and consultants both a tutorial and a reference guide for installing and managing Exchange Server 2013. A team of Microsoft Certified Masters walks you step by step through planning and design, installation, administration and management, maintenance, and more. Mastering Microsoft Exchange Server 2013 is the complete reference for planning, installing, and maintaining the most popular e-mail server product available.

Microsoft Exam 70-741 is for IT Pros interested in enhancing their skills for the latest version of Windows Server. This exam validates skills and knowledge for configuring advanced tasks required to deploy, manage, and maintain a Windows Server 2016 infrastructure, such as fault tolerance, certificate services, and identity federation. Passing this exam along with two other exams is required for MCSA and MCSE certifications. The Exam Ref is the official study guide for Microsoft certification exam 70-741. Featuring concise, objective-by-objective reviews and strategic case scenarios and Thought Experiments, exam candidates get professional-level preparation for the exam. The Exam Ref helps candidates maximize their performance on the exam and sharpen their job-role skills. It organizes material by the exam's objective domains Focus is on the skills measured on the exam: • Implement Domain Name System (DNS) • Implement

DHCP • Implement IP Address Management (IPAM) • Implement network connectivity and remote access solutions • Implement core and distributed network solutions • Implement an advanced network infrastructure This Microsoft Exam Ref: • Organizes its coverage by the “Skills measured” posted on the exam webpage • Features strategic, what-if scenarios to challenge you • Points to in-depth material by topic for exam candidates needing additional review • Assumes you are an IT pro looking to validate your skills in and knowledge of installing and configuring Windows Server 2016

With 28 new chapters, the third edition of *The Practice of System and Network Administration* innovates yet again! Revised with thousands of updates and clarifications based on reader feedback, this new edition also incorporates DevOps strategies even for non-DevOps environments. Whether you use Linux, Unix, or Windows, this new edition describes the essential practices previously handed down only from mentor to protégé. This wonderfully lucid, often funny cornucopia of information introduces beginners to advanced frameworks valuable for their entire career, yet is structured to help even experts through difficult projects. Other books tell you what commands to type. This book teaches you the cross-platform strategies that are timeless! DevOps techniques: Apply DevOps principles to enterprise IT infrastructure, even in environments without developers Game-changing strategies: New ways to deliver results faster with less stress Fleet management: A comprehensive guide to managing your fleet of desktops, laptops, servers and mobile devices Service management: How to design, launch, upgrade and migrate services Measurable improvement: Assess your operational effectiveness; a forty-page, pain-free assessment system you can start using today to raise the quality of all services Design guides: Best practices for networks, data centers, email, storage, monitoring, backups and more Management skills: Organization design, communication, negotiation, ethics, hiring and firing, and more Have you ever had any of these problems? Have you been surprised to discover your backup tapes are blank? Ever spent a year launching a new service only to be told the users hate it? Do you have more incoming support requests than you can handle? Do you spend more time fixing problems than building the next awesome thing? Have you suffered from a botched migration of thousands of users to a new service? Does your company rely on a computer that, if it died, can't be rebuilt? Is your network a fragile mess that breaks any time you try to improve it? Is there a periodic “hell month” that happens twice a year? Twelve times a year? Do you find out about problems when your users call you to complain? Does your corporate “Change Review Board” terrify you? Does each division of your company have their own broken way of doing things? Do you fear that automation will replace you, or break more than it fixes? Are you underpaid and overworked? No vague “management speak” or empty platitudes. This comprehensive guide provides real solutions that prevent these problems and more!

Improve and reimagine your organization's security stance, desktop standards, and server administration with centralized management via Group Policy. Key Features Explore advanced filtering techniques for Group Policy Objects Interact with Group Policy through GPMC and PowerShell Practical guide covering the daily and advanced administration of group policy Book Description This book begins with a discussion of the core material any administrator needs to know in order to start working with Group Policy. Moving on, we will also walk through the process of building a lab environment to start testing Group Policy today. Next we will explore the Group Policy Management Console (GPMC) and start using the powerful features available for us within that interface. Once you are well versed with using GPMC, you will learn to perform and manage the traditional core tasks inside Group Policy. Included in the book are many examples and walk-throughs of the different filtering options available for the application of Group Policy settings, as this is the real power that Group Policy holds within your network. You will also learn how you can use Group Policy to secure your Active Directory environment, and also understand how Group Policy preferences are different than policies, with the help of real-world examples. Finally we will spend some time on maintenance and troubleshooting common Group Policy-related issues so that you, as a directory administrator, will understand the diagnosing process for policy settings. By the end of the book, you will be able to jump right in and use Group Policy to its full potential. What you will learn Become familiar with the Group Policy Management Console Create, link, and filter new policies Secure your users and devices using Group Policy Maintain and troubleshoot Group Policy Administer Group Policy via PowerShell Control your Active Directory environment efficiently with Group Policy settings Who this book is for If you are an IT professional who works with Windows Servers or are interested in an Active Directory environment then this book is for you. General knowledge of Microsoft Windows, how Windows Server fits into an enterprise's infrastructure and also some existing knowledge of an Active Directory domain environment is expected.

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