Cisco DevNet Associate

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Software Development and Design

- 1.1 Compare data formats (XML, JSON, and YAML)
- 1.2 Describe parsing of common data format (XML, JSON, and YAML) to Python data structures
- 1.3 Describe the concepts of test-driven development
- 1.4 Compare software development methods (agile, lean, and waterfall)
- 1.5 Explain the benefits of organizing code into methods / functions, classes, and modules
- 1.6 Identify the advantages of common design patterns (MVC and Observer)
- 1.7 Explain the advantages of version control
- 1.8 Utilize common version control operations with Git
- 1.8.a Clone
- 1.8.b Add/remove
- 1.8.c Commit
- 1.8.d Push / pull
- 1.8.e Branch
- 1.8.f Merge and handling conflicts
- 1.8.g Diff

Understanding and Using APIs

- 2.1 Construct a REST API request to accomplish a task given API documentation
- 2.2 Describe common usage patterns related to webhooks
- 2.3 Identify the constraints when consuming APIs
- 2.4 Explain common HTTP response codes associated with REST APIs
- 2.5 Troubleshoot a problem given the HTTP response code, request and API documentation
- 2.6 Identify the parts of an HTTP response (response code, headers, body)
- 2.7 Utilize common API authentication mechanisms: basic, custom token, and API keys
- 2.8 Compare common API styles (REST, RPC, synchronous, and asynchronous)
- 2.9 Construct a Python script that calls a REST API using the requests library

Cisco Platforms and Development

- 3.1 Construct a Python script that uses a Cisco SDK given SDK documentation
- 3.2 Describe the capabilities of Cisco network management platforms and APIs (Meraki, Cisco DNA Center, ACI, Cisco SD-WAN, and NSO)
- 3.3 Describe the capabilities of Cisco compute management platforms and APIs (UCS Manager, UCS Director, and Intersight)
- 3.4 Describe the capabilities of Cisco collaboration platforms and APIs (Webex Teams, Webex devices, Cisco Unified Communication Manager including AXL and UDS interfaces, and Finesse)
- 3.5 Describe the capabilities of Cisco security platforms and APIs (Firepower, Umbrella, AMP, ISE, and ThreatGrid)
- 3.6 Describe the device level APIs and dynamic interfaces for IOS XE and NX-OS
- 3.7 Identify the appropriate DevNet resource for a given scenario (Sandbox, Code

Exchange, support, forums, Learning Labs, and API documentation)

- 3.8 Apply concepts of model driven programmability (YANG, RESTCONF, and NETCONF) in a Cisco environment
- 3.9 Construct code to perform a specific operation based on a set of requirements and given API reference documentation such as these:
- 3.9.a Obtain a list of network devices by using Meraki, Cisco DNA Center, ACI, Cisco SD-WAN, or NSO
- 3.9.b Manage spaces, participants, and messages in Webex Teams
- 3.9.c Obtain a list of clients / hosts seen on a network using Meraki or Cisco DNA Center

Application Development and Security

- 4.1 Describe benefits of edge computing
- 4.2 Identify attributes of different application deployment models (private cloud, public cloud, hybrid cloud, and edge)
- 4.3 Identify the attributes of these application deployment types
- 4.3.a Virtual machines
- 4.3.b Bare metal
- 4.3.c Containers
- 4.4 Describe components for a CI/CD pipeline in application deployments
- 4.5 Construct a Python unit test
- 4.6 Interpret contents of a Dockerfile
- 4.7 Utilize Docker images in local developer environment
- 4.8 Identify application security issues related to secret protection, encryption (storage and transport), and data handling
- 4.9 Explain how firewall, DNS, load balancers, and reverse proxy in application deployment
- 4.10 Describe top OWASP threats (such as XSS, SQL injections, and CSRF)
- 4.11 Utilize Bash commands (file management, directory navigation, and environmental variables)
- 4.12 Identify the principles of DevOps practices

Infrastructure and Automation

- 5.1 Describe the value of model driven programmability for infrastructure automation
- 5.2 Compare controller-level to device-level management
- 5.3 Describe the use and roles of network simulation and test tools (such as VIRL and pyATS)
- 5.4 Describe the components and benefits of CI/CD pipeline in infrastructure automation
- 5.5 Describe principles of infrastructure as code
- 5.6 Describe the capabilities of automation tools such as Ansible, Puppet, Chef, and Cisco NSO
- 5.7 Identify the workflow being automated by a Python script that uses Cisco APIs including ACI, Meraki, Cisco DNA Center, or RESTCONF
- 5.8 Identify the workflow being automated by an Ansible playbook (management packages, user management related to services, basic service configuration, and start/stop)
- 5.9 Identify the workflow being automated by a bash script (such as file management, app install, user management, directory navigation)
- 5.10 Interpret the results of a RESTCONF or NETCONF query

- 5.11 Interpret basic YANG models
- 5.12 Interpret a unified diff
- 5.13 Describe the principles and benefits of a code review process
- 5.14 Interpret sequence diagram that includes API calls

Network Fundamental

- 6.1 Describe the purpose and usage of MAC addresses and VLANs
- 6.2 Describe the purpose and usage of IP addresses, routes, subnet mask / prefix, and gateways
- 6.3 Describe the function of common networking components (such as switches, routers, firewalls, and load balancers)
- 6.4 Interpret a basic network topology diagram with elements such as switches, routers, firewalls, load balancers, and port values
- 6.5 Describe the function of management, data, and control planes in a network device
- 6.6 Describe the functionality of these IP Services: DHCP, DNS, NAT, SNMP, NTP
- 6.7 Recognize common protocol port values (such as, SSH, Telnet, HTTP, HTTPS, and NETCONF)
- 6.8 Identify cause of application connectivity issues (NAT problem, Transport Port blocked, proxy, and VPN)
- 6.9 Explain the impacts of network constraints on applications