Five steps to jump-start your cloud DBA journey

1. Grow your database knowledge

As an expert in a realm of database technologies, it’s time to learn new ways. The cloud enables you to explore areas of data format and platforms, and a solid grasp of that variety will help you design the optimal database ecosystem for your organization.

2. Learn how to get your data to the cloud

Now that your cloud DBA is ready for helping you get your data from here to there. These resources will help you learn the best practices as well as the newest paths.

3. Learn to manage costs

Cloud costs are directly tied to utilization, so they’ll become a part of your day-to-day work as a DBA. Knowing how usage affects your monthly bill will become critical.

4. Skill up

Cloud databases include a wealth of capabilities and are limited only by your knowledge. To strengthen your impact as a cloud DBA, consider growing your skills in the following areas:

- Data movement
- Performance tuning
- Data-driven business outcomes
- Database optimization for applications
- Cloud security and governance
- Cloud architecture
- Azure networking

5. Broade your horizons

The cloud can be a hard new world for a DBA because it’s so much easier to focus on value-added activities. Here’s a collection of ways to explore and enrich your cloud expertise (you may even earn a Cloud Architect certification):

- App modernization
- Hybrid cloud
- Data security
- Big data
- Intelligent insights

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