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CCNA Data Center - Introducing Cisco Data Center Networking Study Guide: Exam 640-911
Synopsis
A must-have study guide for exam 640-911 on Cisco's Unified Data Center The Cisco Certified Network Associate Data Center certification is Cisco's newest certification, covering the Cisco Unified Data Center technologies. Written by unparalleled author and Cisco authority Todd Lammle, and CCIE John Swartz, this comprehensive study guide is essential reading for anyone preparing to take the 640-911 exam (Introducing Cisco Data Center Networking), providing in-depth coverage of all the exam's objectives. In addition, it offers expanded coverage on key topics reflected on the exam. Addresses understanding basic networking and ethernet technologies Reviews the OSI and DoD model and TCP/IP Transport Layer Covers basic IP routing technologies, layer 2 switching technologies, and routing principles Provides an introduction to Nexus switch as well as how to configure it CCNA Data Center Study Guide offers you access to additional study tools, including bonus practice exams, electronic flashcards, a searchable PDF of a glossary of terms. Plus, you will be able to use the free nexus simulator to perform all the hands-on labs in the book.

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Customer Reviews
I had the CCNA, CCDA, and CCNA Voice which were due to expire in March 2015, so I figured I'd go for the Data Center cert to extend out the three certs I already have, plus get a new one. CCNA DC has 2 exams the 640-911 and the 640-916, and this book covers the 911. There is no book on the 916 from either Todd or Cisco press right now, so I decided to take a Global Knowledge CCNA DC bootcamp, which covered both the 911 and the 916. I read Todds book and took the bootcamp before taking the 911 exam, which I passed. I planned on taking the 916 before my other certs
expired in March. That being said, if you have no hands on experience with Nexus and only read Todds book for the 911, you will NOT pass the current 911 exam. Perhaps the exam changed since Todd released the book, but as other reviewers have said, there is a lot on the exam that is nowhere in Todds book. What really annoyed me was the test itself; the stuff that was not in Todds book that was on the test was really stuff that in my opinion did not make you 640-911 qualified or not. They didn't quite ask questions like "what color is a Nexus 5000 series", but I thought there were questions that were just as irrelevant in my opinion - but if you didn't know the answers to those, you would get the question wrong. The Global Knowledge course filled in those blanks, but that was not the reason I took that class; I took it to prepare for the 916 test. To be fair, what Todd did have in his book was good information, and as with his other books, the material was clearly presented and accurate, with his usual chapter questions, flash cards, etc.

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