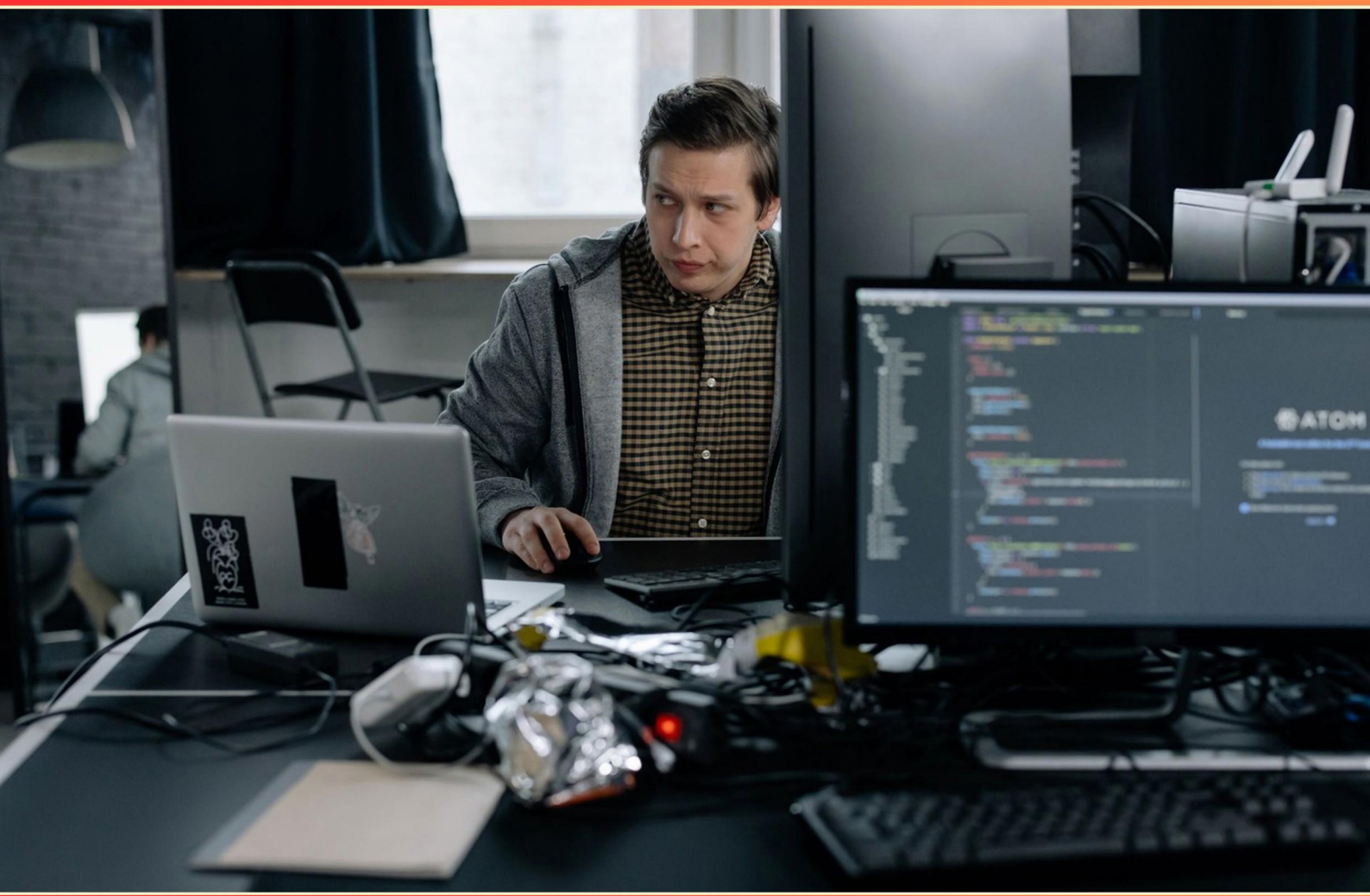
SALESFORCE PLATFORM DEVELOPER PRACTICE EXAM (SAMPLE)

STUDY GUIDE



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

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How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

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Questions

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1. **Which of the following cannot be used to build a complete Custom Tab?**

   A. Display an external web page

   B. Display data using a VisualForce page

   C. Show data from a custom object using the native user interface

   D. Display the approval process using an Apex page

2. **What must be considered when inserting records using an API-based tool?**

   A. Data loss is guaranteed

   B. Required fields are always enforced

   C. Validation rules may be ignored

   D. Apex triggers are respected

3. **Which of the following statements accurately describes Salesforce custom fields?**

   A. A unique field can be optional in reports

   B. A required field must be filled on edit pages

   C. Custom fields do not affect SOQL performance

   D. Unique fields are only allowed on text types

4. **What action can users NOT perform in the Delegated Administrators group?**

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   C. Creating profiles

   D. Logging in as another user

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   C. Parallel blocks can use the same variable name.

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6. **What is a good practice for a developer to follow when writing a trigger?**

   A. Using the Map data structure to hold query results by ID.

   B. Using @future methods to perform DML operations.

   C. Using the set data structure to ensure distinct records.

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C. Sharing Rules

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Answers

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1. D
2. B
3. B
4. C
5. A
6. A
7. B
8. A
9. D
10. A

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Explanations

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A Custom Tab in Salesforce is designed to provide users with access to specific functionality, information, or external content within the Salesforce environment. When building a Custom Tab, it's essential to understand the types of content that can be effectively represented through each option. The ability to display an external web page allows for integration with other systems or resources, providing users direct access to websites or applications without leaving Salesforce. This leverages the flexibility of a Custom Tab to show external content dynamically. Using a Visualforce page is a traditional and powerful method to create custom user interfaces in Salesforce. Visualforce enables developers to design tailored screens, including forms and various interactive elements, making it suitable for Custom Tabs. Showing data from a custom object using the native user interface utilizes standard Salesforce features. This method allows users to interact with records in a familiar layout, ensuring a seamless experience. Such native functionalities can be effectively incorporated within a Custom Tab. In contrast, displaying the approval process using an Apex page does not fit well within the concept of a Custom Tab. Approval processes typically require users to navigate through specific workflows rather than being encapsulated within a separate tab. Custom Tabs are intended to streamline the user experience around accessing data or external resources, not to manage complex processes like approvals directly.

2. What must be considered when inserting records using an API-based tool?

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When inserting records using an API-based tool, it is essential to consider that required fields are always enforced. This means that when a record is created or updated through an API, Salesforce verifies that all mandatory fields are populated with valid values before the operation is successful. If any required fields are missing, the API request will fail, ensuring data integrity and adherence to the defined structure of the Salesforce objects. This enforcement is critical as it prevents incomplete records from being saved in the database, which helps maintain data quality. Ensuring that required fields are populated is part of the robust design of Salesforce's data model, as it allows for necessary information to be available for business processes, reporting, and analytics. In contrast, other considerations that could arise, such as data loss or ignoring validation rules, are not typical behaviors of the Salesforce API. Apex triggers are typically respected during API operations, ensuring the business logic is engaged upon record manipulation. Hence, the emphasis on the enforcement of required fields stands out as a crucial factor when using API-based tools to insert records in Salesforce.

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The statement that accurately describes Salesforce custom fields is that a required field must be filled on edit pages. When defining a custom field within Salesforce, you can designate certain fields as required. This means that users will be prompted to complete these fields before they can save a record. This validation ensures that critical information is always captured for each record, which is essential for maintaining data integrity and meeting business requirements. In contrast, unique fields are specifically designed to ensure that no two records can have the same value in that field, but they can be applicable to various data types, not limited to text types only, which is addressed by the fact that unique fields are not restricted in that way. The statement about optional fields in reports suggests a misunderstanding, as fields designated as unique do not have reporting restrictions on their optionality. Furthermore, while custom fields can influence SOQL performance due to the complexity they introduce, stating that they do not affect performance is inaccurate. Therefore, the requirement for specific fields on edit pages is a key feature that clearly illustrates how custom fields operate within Salesforce.

4. What action can users NOT perform in the Delegated Administrators group?

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In a Delegated Administrators group, users are granted specific administrative privileges to manage certain aspects of the Salesforce organization, primarily concerning user management. However, they do not have the ability to create profiles. This limitation is in place to maintain control over the security and configuration of profiles, which define user permissions, access levels, and system settings. Profiles are a foundational component of Salesforce's security model, regulating what users can see and do within the system. Allowing delegated administrators to create new profiles could lead to inconsistencies and potential security risks. Therefore, while delegated administrators can create new users and edit existing ones, as well as provide support such as password resets, they cannot create profiles, which helps ensure that profile management remains restricted to higher-level administrators with broader oversight of the organization's configuration.

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An accurate statement about variable scope is that a variable can be defined at any point in a block. This means that within a given block of code, you have the flexibility to declare variables wherever it fits the logic, whether at the beginning or deeper within control structures like loops and conditionals. Understanding this aspect of variable scope is crucial because it allows developers to dynamically manage variable visibility and lifespan throughout their code, enhancing code organization and readability. The other options present concepts that, while related to variable scope, do not accurately capture the fundamental definitions of scope in programming. For instance, sub-blocks can indeed reuse a parent block's variable name, which is typically permitted unless the inner block specifically declares its own variable with the same name, which would then shadow the parent's variable. Similarly, parallel blocks can reference the same variable name because they operate in separate scopes, provided those variables do not conflict with each other. Lastly, the concept of a static variable does not inherently restrict its scope to the current block based solely on its null value. The scope of a static variable is defined by its declaration and generally persists across multiple calls, not contingent upon the value it holds.

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A. Using the Map data structure to hold query results by ID.

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A fundamental good practice for developers writing triggers in Salesforce is to utilize the Map data structure to hold query results by ID. This approach provides several advantages. First, it enhances performance by enabling developers to quickly retrieve records based on their IDs, minimizing the number of queries needed when processing multiple records during a trigger execution. Since triggers can run for bulk operations involving numerous records, having these records in a map ensures that the developer can reference and manipulate them efficiently without repeating SOQL queries, which is critical for governor limits in Salesforce. By using a Map, the developer also makes the code more readable and maintainable. It organizes data logically, facilitating easy access to related records, especially in scenarios where the trigger operates on multiple records. This can be particularly useful when updating or validating data, as it prevents the need to loop through large collections to find specific instances. Using @future methods, while beneficial for asynchronous processing, introduces complexity and potential issues with transaction management, particularly in a trigger context where the synchronization of changes may be critical. The set data structure, while useful for ensuring uniqueness, does not inherently address performance issues related to querying and handling data effectively in bulk. On the other hand, synchronous callouts can lead to performance bottlenecks and violate governor limits

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7. What is the relationship limit for cross-object formulas?

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The correct answer reflects the limit on the number of object relationships allowed in a cross-object formula. In Salesforce, cross-object formulas enable access to fields from related objects within a formula field. The limit set by Salesforce allows access to fields from up to 10 levels deep in the relationship hierarchy. This means that when you are creating a formula that references fields on related objects, you can traverse through a maximum of 10 relationships. This limitation is important for ensuring performance and manageability within Salesforce, as deeper relationships can increase complexity and the computational burden on the system. Understanding this limit is essential for effective formula field configuration and data management in Salesforce.

8. What can be used to limit the records returned when users utilize a lookup?

A. Lookup Filters

B. Workflow Rules

C. Sharing Rules

D. Security Profiles

The most effective way to restrict the records shown to users when they are utilizing a lookup field in Salesforce is through the use of lookup filters. Lookup filters enable administrators to impose criteria on the records displayed when a user interacts with a lookup field. By setting these filters, you can ensure that only relevant records, meeting specific conditions, are available for selection by the user. This feature enhances user experience by streamlining the selection process and maintaining data integrity by preventing users from accessing unrelated or unnecessary records. While workflows, sharing rules, and security profiles serve important functions within Salesforce, they do not specifically target the functionality of lookup fields in a way that allows for direct, criteria-based filtering during lookup operations. Workflow rules are generally used for process automation, sharing rules manage record visibility across users, and security profiles outline user access to different functionalities within Salesforce. These tools do not interact directly with the lookup field interface to limit options displayed in real-time. Therefore, lookup filters are the appropriate choice for managing the records users can see in lookup fields.

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9. What enables Apex triggers to execute without manual invocation?

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Apex triggers are special pieces of code in Salesforce that automatically execute in response to specific events involving database records, such as inserts, updates, and deletes. The execution of these triggers is directly tied to changes in the database, meaning that anytime a record is modified in a way that meets the trigger's criteria, the associated trigger will automatically run. The option reflecting this mechanism is related to database changes. Specifically, when a record is created, updated, deleted, or undeleted, the corresponding trigger is fired without any manual intervention required. This real-time functionality allows developers to enforce certain business logic, perform validations, or initiate additional processing automatically. In contrast, the other options listed do not inherently provide the same automatic execution functionality based on database changes. Scheduled jobs, for instance, are designed to run at specified times, rather than in response to immediate data modifications. Batch Apex, while capable of processing large volumes of data, necessitates manual invocation or scheduling for its execution. Autolaunched flows can be triggered automatically but are typically initiated by specific actions or events set up within the Salesforce environment, not directly linked to database changes. Thus, the primary feature of Apex triggers, which distinguishes them from the other options, is their execution model that relies on changes

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The identified source and destination pair of sandbox to production is valid because change sets are specifically designed to deploy changes from a sandbox environment, which is often used for testing and development, to a production environment where those changes become live. This workflow is a critical aspect of managing releases and ensuring that updates are thoroughly tested before being made available to all users in the production environment. In contrast, while other options may seem plausible, they do not adhere to the specific rules surrounding change sets. For example, moving from developer edition to sandbox is not supported because developer editions are targeted for development rather than as a preparation stage for a production-like environment. Similar restrictions apply to the other options, where either the source or destination does not comply with the intended use of change sets, which fundamentally aims to safely transition changes from sandbox environments to production.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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