

# Exam Questions SPLK-1002

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### NEW QUESTION 1

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following is the correct way to use the data model command to search field in the data model within the web dataset?

- A. | datamodel web search | filed web \*
- B. | Search datamodel web web | filed web\*
- C. | datamodel web web field | search web\*
- D. Datamodel=web | search web | filed web\*

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

The data model command allows you to run searches on data models that have been accelerated<sup>1</sup>. The syntax for using the data model command is | datamodel <model\_name> <dataset\_name> [search <search\_string>]<sup>1</sup>.

Therefore, option A is the correct way to use the data model command to search fields in the data model within the web dataset. Options B and C are incorrect because they do not follow the syntax for the data model command. Option D is incorrect because it does not use the data model command at all.

### NEW QUESTION 2

- (Exam Topic 1)

When multiple event types with different color values are assigned to the same event, what determines the color displayed for the events?

- A. Rank
- B. Weight
- C. Priority
- D. Precedence

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/SplunkCloud/8.0.2003/Knowledge/Defineeventtypes> When multiple event types with different color values are assigned to the same event, the color displayed for the events is determined by the priority of the event types. The priority is a numerical value that indicates how important an event type is. The higher the priority, the more important the event type. The event type with the highest priority will determine the color of the event.

### NEW QUESTION 3

- (Exam Topic 1)

What does the fillnull command replace null values with, if the value argument is not specified?

- A. N/A
- B. NaN
- C. NULL

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/653427/fillnull-doesnt-work-without-specifying-a-field.html> The fillnull command is a search command that replaces null values with a specified value or 0 if no value is specified. Null values are values that are missing, empty, or undefined in Splunk. The fillnull command can replace null values for all fields or for specific fields. The fillnull command can take an optional argument called value that specifies the value to replace null values with. If no value argument is specified, the fillnull command will replace null values with 0 by default.

### NEW QUESTION 4

- (Exam Topic 1)

In which of the following scenarios is an event type more effective than a saved search?

- A. When a search should always include the same time range.
- B. When a search needs to be added to other users' dashboards.
- C. When the search string needs to be used in future searches.
- D. When formatting needs to be included with the search string.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://answers.splunk.com/answers/4993/eventtype-vs-saved-search.html>

An event type is a way to categorize events based on a search string that matches the events<sup>2</sup>. You can use event types to simplify your searches by replacing long or complex search strings with short and simple event type names<sup>2</sup>. An event type is more effective than a saved search when the search string needs to be used in future searches because it allows you to reuse the search string without having to remember or type it again<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A, B and D are incorrect because they are not scenarios where an event type is more effective than a saved search.

### NEW QUESTION 5

- (Exam Topic 1)

What is required for a macro to accept three arguments?

- A. The macro's name ends with (3).
- B. The macro's name starts with (3).
- C. The macro's argument count setting is 3 or more.
- D. Nothing, all macros can accept any number of arguments.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

To create a macro that accepts arguments, you must include the number of arguments in parentheses at the end of the macro name<sup>1</sup>. For example, my\_macro(3) is a macro that accepts three arguments. The number of arguments in the macro name must match the number of arguments in the definition<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option A is correct, while options B, C and D are incorrect.

**NEW QUESTION 6**

- (Exam Topic 1)

What do events in a transaction have in common?

- A. All events in a transaction must have the same timestamp.
- B. All events in a transaction must have the same sourcetype.
- C. All events in a transaction must have the exact same set of fields.
- D. All events in a transaction must be related by one or more fields.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/Abouttransactions>

A transaction is a group of events that share some common characteristics, such as fields, time, or both. A transaction can be created by using the transaction command or by defining an event type with transactiontype=true in props.conf. Events in a transaction have one or more fields in common that relate them to each other. For example, you can create a transaction based on JSESSIONID, which is a unique identifier for each user session in web logs. Events in a transaction do not have to have the same timestamp, sourcetype, or exact same set of fields. They only have to share one or more fields that define the transaction.

**NEW QUESTION 7**

- (Exam Topic 1)

The Field Extractor (FX) is used to extract a custom field. A report can be created using this custom field. The created report can then be shared with other people in the organization. If another person in the organization runs the shared report and no results are returned, why might this be? (select all that apply)

- A. Fast mode is enabled.
- B. The dashboard is private.
- C. The extraction is private
- D. The person in the organization running the report does not have access to the index.

**Answer:** CD

**Explanation:**

The Field Extractor (FX) is a tool that helps you extract fields from your events using a graphical interface<sup>2</sup>. You can create a report using a custom field extracted by the FX and share it with other users in your organization<sup>2</sup>. However, if another user runs the shared report and no results are returned, there could be two possible reasons. One reason is that the extraction is private, which means that only you can see and use the extracted field<sup>2</sup>. To make the extraction available to other users, you need to make it global or app-level<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct. Another reason is that the other user does not have access to the index where the events are stored<sup>2</sup>. To fix this issue, you need to grant the appropriate permissions to the other user for the index<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option D is correct. Options A and B are incorrect because they are not related to the field extraction or the report.

**NEW QUESTION 8**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describes Search workflow actions?

- A. By default
- B. Search workflow actions will run as a real-time search.
- C. Search workflow actions can be configured as scheduled searches,
- D. The user can define the time range of the search when created the workflow action.
- E. Search workflow actions cannot be configured with a search string that includes the transaction command

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

Search workflow actions are custom actions that run a search when you click on a field value in your search results. Search workflow actions can be configured with various options, such as label name, search string, time range, app context, etc. One of the options is to define the time range of the search when creating the workflow action. You can choose from predefined time ranges, such as Last 24 hours, Last 7 days, etc., or specify a custom time range using relative or absolute time modifiers. Search workflow actions do not run as real-time searches by default, but rather use the same time range as the original search unless specified otherwise. Search workflow actions cannot be configured as scheduled searches, as they are only triggered by user interaction. Search workflow actions can be configured with any valid search string that includes any search command, such as transaction.

**NEW QUESTION 9**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following can be used with the eval command tostring function (select all that apply)

- A. "hex"
- B. "commas"
- C. "Decimal"
- D. "duration"

**Answer:** ABD

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.1.0/SearchReference/ConversionFunctions#tostring.28X.2CY> The tostring function in the eval command converts

a numeric value to a string value. It can take an optional second argument that specifies the format of the string value. Some of the possible formats are:

- hex: converts the numeric value to a hexadecimal string.
- commas: adds commas to separate thousands in the numeric value.
- duration: converts the numeric value to a human-readable duration string, such as “2h 3m 4s”. Therefore, the formats A, B, and D can be used with the `tostring` function.

#### NEW QUESTION 10

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describes macros?

- A. A macro is a reusable search string that must contain the full search.
- B. A macro is a reusable search string that must have a fixed time range.
- C. A macro is a reusable search string that may have a flexible time range.
- D. A macro is a reusable search string that must contain only a portion of the search.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/Definerechmacros>

A macro is a reusable search string that can contain any part of a search, such as search terms, commands, arguments, etc. A macro can have a flexible time range that can be specified when the macro is executed. A macro can also have arguments that can be passed to the macro when it is executed. A macro can be created by using the Settings menu or by editing the `macros.conf` file. A macro does not have to contain the full search, but only the part that needs to be reused. A macro does not have to have a fixed time range, but can use a relative or absolute time range modifier. A macro does not have to contain only a portion of the search, but can contain multiple parts of the search.

#### NEW QUESTION 10

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describes POST workflow actions?

- A. POST workflow actions are always encrypted.
- B. POST workflow actions cannot use field values in their URI.
- C. POST workflow actions cannot be created on custom sourcetypes.
- D. POST workflow actions can open a web page in either the same window or a new .

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

A workflow action is a link that appears when you click an event field value in your search results<sup>1</sup>. A workflow action can open a web page or run another search based on the field value<sup>1</sup>. There are two types of workflow actions: GET and POST<sup>1</sup>. A GET workflow action appends the field value to the end of a URI and opens it in a web browser<sup>1</sup>. A POST workflow action sends the field value as part of an HTTP request to a web server<sup>1</sup>. You can configure a workflow action to open a web page in either the same window or a new window<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option D is correct, while options A, B and C are incorrect.

#### NEW QUESTION 14

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following knowledge objects represents the output of an eval expression?

- A. Eval fields
- B. Calculated fields
- C. Field extractions
- D. Calculated lookups

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Splexicon:Calculatedfield>

The `eval` command is used to create new fields or modify existing fields based on an expression<sup>2</sup>. The output of an eval expression is a calculated field, which is a field that you create based on the value of another field or fields<sup>2</sup>. You can use calculated fields to enrich your data with additional information or to transform your data into a more useful format<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect because they are not names of knowledge objects that represent the output of an eval expression.

#### NEW QUESTION 18

- (Exam Topic 1)

How does a user display a chart in stack mode?

- A. By using the `stack` command.
- B. By turning on the Use Trellis Layout option.
- C. By changing Stack Mode in the Format menu.
- D. You cannot display a chart in stack mode, only a timechart.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

A chart is a graphical representation of your search results that shows the relationship between two or more fields<sup>2</sup>. You can display a chart in stack mode by changing the Stack Mode option in the Format menu<sup>2</sup>. Stack mode allows you to stack multiple series on top of each other in a chart to show the cumulative values of each series<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A, B and D are incorrect because they are not ways to display a chart in stack mode.

#### NEW QUESTION 22



- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following are required to create a POST workflow action?

- A. Label, URI, search string.
- B. XMI attributes, URI, name.
- C. Label, URI, post arguments.
- D. URI, search string, time range picker.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

POST workflow actions are custom actions that send a POST request to a web server when you click on a field value in your search results. POST workflow actions can be configured with various options, such as label name, base URL, URI parameters, post arguments, app context, etc. One of the options that are required to create a POST workflow action is post arguments. Post arguments are key-value pairs that are sent in the body of the POST request to provide additional information to the web server. Post arguments can include field values from your data by using dollar signs around the field names.

**NEW QUESTION 23**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Given the macro definition below, what should be entered into the Name and Arguments fields to correctly configured the macro?

Destination app  
oidemo

Name \*  
Enter the name of the macro. If the search macro takes an argument, indicate this by appending the number of arguments to

Definition \*  
Enter the string the search macro expands to when it is referenced in another search. If arguments are included, enclose them

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Arguments  
Enter a comma-delimited string of argument names. Argument names may only contain alphanumeric, '\_' and '-' characters.

- A. The macro name is sessiontracker and the arguments are action, JSESSIONID.
- B. The macro name is sessiontracker(2) and the arguments are action, JSESSIONID.
- C. The macro name is sessiontracker and the arguments are \$action\$, \$JSESSIONID\$.
- D. The macro name is sessiontracker(2) and the Arguments are \$action\$, \$JSESSIONID\$.

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/Definesearchmacros>

The macro definition below shows a macro that tracks user sessions based on two arguments: action and JSESSIONID.

sessiontracker(2)

The macro definition does the following:

It specifies the name of the macro as sessiontracker. This is the name that will be used to execute the macro in a search string.

It specifies the number of arguments for the macro as 2. This indicates that the macro takes two arguments when it is executed.

It specifies the code for the macro as index=main sourcetype=access\_combined\_wcookie action=\$action\$ JSESSIONID=\$JSESSIONID\$ | stats count by JSESSIONID. This is the search string that will be run when the macro is executed. The search string can contain any part of a search, such as search terms, commands, arguments, etc. The search string can also include variables for the arguments using dollar signs around them. In this case, action and JSESSIONID are variables for the arguments that will be replaced by their values when the macro is executed.

Therefore, to correctly configure the macro, you should enter sessiontracker as the name and action, JSESSIONID as the arguments. Alternatively, you can use sessiontracker(2) as the name and leave the arguments blank.

**NEW QUESTION 27**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Calculated fields can be based on which of the following?

- A. Tags
- B. Extracted fields
- C. Output fields for a lookup
- D. Fields generated from a search string

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/definecalcfields>

A calculated field is a field that you create based on the value of another field or fields<sup>1</sup>. You can use calculated fields to enrich your data with additional information or to transform your data into a more useful format<sup>1</sup>. Calculated fields can be based on extracted fields, which are fields that are extracted from your raw data using various methods such as regular expressions, delimiters, or key-value pairs<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect

because tags, output fields for a lookup, and fields generated from a search string are not types of extracted fields.

### NEW QUESTION 30

- (Exam Topic 1)

Selected fields are displayed \_\_\_\_\_ each event in the search results.

- A. below
- B. interesting fields
- C. other fields
- D. above

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

Selected fields are fields that you choose to display in your search results by clicking on them in the Fields sidebar or by using the fields command<sup>2</sup>. Selected fields are displayed below each event in the search results, along with their values<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option A is correct, while options B, C and D are incorrect because they are not places where selected fields are displayed.

### NEW QUESTION 31

- (Exam Topic 1)

Based on the macro definition shown below, what is the correct way to execute the macro in a search string?

**Name \***  
Enter the name of the macro. If the search macro takes an argument, indicate this by appending the number of arguments to the name. For example: mymacro(2)

**Definition \***  
Enter the string the search macro expands to when it is referenced in another search. If arguments are included, enclose them in dollar signs. For example: \$arg1\$

```
stats sum(price) as USD by product_name
| eval $currency$="$symbol$".tostring(round(USD*$rate$,2),
"commas") | eval USD="$" + tostring(USD,"commas")
```

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**Arguments**  
Enter a comma-delimited string of argument names. Argument names may only contain alphanumeric, '\_' and '-' characters.

- A. Convert\_sales (euro, €, 79)"
- B. Convert\_sales (euro, €, .79)
- C. Convert\_sales (\$euro,\$€\$,s79\$
- D. Convert\_sales (\$euro, \$€\$,S,79\$)

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/Usesearchmacros>

The correct way to execute the macro in a search string is to use the format macro\_name(\$arg1\$, \$arg2\$, ...) where \$arg1\$, \$arg2\$, etc. are the arguments for the macro. In this case, the macro name is convert\_sales and it takes three arguments: currency, symbol, and rate. The arguments are enclosed i signs and separated by commas. Therefore, the correct way to execute the macro is convert\_sales(\$euro\$, \$€\$.79).

### NEW QUESTION 35

- (Exam Topic 1)

A calculated field maybe based on which of the following?

- A. Lookup tables
- B. Extracted fields
- C. Regular expressions
- D. Fields generated within a search string

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

As mentioned before, a calculated field is a field that you create based on the value of another field or fields<sup>2</sup>. A calculated field can be based on extracted fields, which are fields that are extracted from your raw data using various methods such as regular expressions, delimiters or key-value pairs<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect because they are not types of fields that a calculated field can be based on.

#### NEW QUESTION 40

- (Exam Topic 1)

A field alias has been created based on an original field. A search without any transforming commands is then executed in Smart Mode. Which field name appears in the results?

- A. Both will appear in the All Fields list, but only if the alias is specified in the search.
- B. Both will appear in the Interesting Fields list, but only if they appear in at least 20 percent of events.
- C. The original field only appears in All Fields list and the alias only appears in the Interesting Fields list.
- D. The alias only appears in the All Fields list and the original field only appears in the Interesting Fields list.

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

A field alias is a way to assign an alternative name to an existing field without changing the original field name or value<sup>2</sup>. You can use field aliases to make your field names more consistent or descriptive across different sources or sourcetypes<sup>2</sup>. When you run a search without any transforming commands in Smart Mode Splunk automatically identifies and displays interesting fields in your results<sup>2</sup>. Interesting fields are fields that appear in at least 20 percent of events or have high variability among values<sup>2</sup>. If you have created a field alias based on an original field, both the original field name and the alias name will appear in the Interesting Fields list if they meet these criteria<sup>2</sup>. However, only one of them will appear in each event depending on which one you have specified in your search string<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect.

#### NEW QUESTION 43

- (Exam Topic 1)

When using timechart, how many fields can be listed after a by clause?

- A. because timechart doesn't support using a by clause.
- B. because `_time` is already implied as the x-axis.
- C. because one field would represent the x-axis and the other would represent the y-axis.
- D. There is no limit specific to timechart.

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

The timechart command is used to create a time-series chart of statistical values based on your search results<sup>2</sup>. You can use the timechart command with a by clause to split the results by one or more fields and create multiple series in the chart<sup>2</sup>. However, you can only list one field after the by clause when using the timechart command because `_time` is already implied as the x-axis of the chart<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect.

#### NEW QUESTION 48

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describe data model acceleration? (select all that apply)

- A. Root events cannot be accelerated.
- B. Accelerated data models cannot be edited.
- C. Private data models cannot be accelerated.
- D. You must have administrative permissions or the `accelerate_dacamodel` capability to accelerate a data model.

**Answer:** BCD

#### Explanation:

Data model acceleration is a feature that speeds up searches on data models by creating and storing summaries of the data model datasets<sup>1</sup>. To enable data model acceleration, you must have administrative permissions or the `accelerate_datamodel` capability<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option D is correct. Accelerated data models cannot be edited unless you disable the acceleration first<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct. Private data models cannot be accelerated because they are not visible to other users<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct. Root events can be accelerated as long as they are not based on a search string<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option A is incorrect.

#### NEW QUESTION 52

- (Exam Topic 1)

In what order are the following knowledge objects/configurations applied?

- A. Field Aliases, Field Extractions, Lookups
- B. Field Extractions, Field Aliases, Lookups
- C. Field Extractions, Lookups, Field Aliases
- D. Lookups, Field Aliases, Field Extractions

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/WhatIsSplunkknowledge> Knowledge objects are entities that you create to add knowledge to your data and make it easier to search and analyze<sup>2</sup>. Some examples of knowledge objects are field extractions, field aliases and lookups<sup>2</sup>. Field extractions are methods that extract fields from your raw data using various techniques such as regular expressions, delimiters or key-value pairs<sup>2</sup>. Field aliases are ways to assign alternative names to existing fields without changing the original field names or values<sup>2</sup>. Lookups are ways to enrich your data with additional information from external sources such as CSV files or databases<sup>2</sup>. The order in which these knowledge objects/configurations are applied is as follows: field extractions, field aliases and then lookups<sup>2</sup>. This means that Splunk first extracts fields from your raw data, then applies any aliases to the extracted fields and then performs any lookups on the aliased fields<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect.

#### NEW QUESTION 56

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describe the Common Information Model (CIM)? (select all that apply)

- A. CIM is a methodology for normalizing data.

- B. CIM can correlate data from different sources.
- C. The Knowledge Manager uses the CIM to create knowledge objects.
- D. CIM is an app that can coexist with other apps on a single Splunk deployment.

**Answer:** ABC

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/CIM/4.15.0/User/Overview>

The Common Information Model (CIM) is a methodology for normalizing data from different sources and making it easier to analyze and report on it<sup>3</sup>. The CIM defines a common set of fields and tags for various domains such as Alerts, Email, Database, Network Traffic, Web and more<sup>3</sup>. One of the statements that describe the CIM is that it is a methodology for normalizing data, which means that it provides a standard way to name and structure data from different sources so that they can be compared and correlated<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, option A is correct. Another statement that describes the CIM is that it can correlate data from different sources, which means that it enables you to run searches and reports across data from different sources that share common fields and tags<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct. Another statement that describes the CIM is that the Knowledge Manager uses the CIM to create knowledge objects, which means that the person who is responsible for creating and managing knowledge objects such as data models, field aliases, tags and event types can use the CIM as a guide to make their knowledge objects consistent and compatible with other apps and add-ons<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct. Option D is incorrect because it does not describe the CIM but rather one of its components.

**NEW QUESTION 57**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which are valid ways to create an event type? (select all that apply)

- A. By using the searchtypes command in the search bar.
- B. By editing the event\_type stanza in the props.conf file.
- C. By going to the Settings menu and clicking Event Types > New.
- D. By selecting an event in search results and clicking Event Actions > Build Event Type.

**Answer:** CD

**Explanation:**

Event types are custom categories of events that are based on search criteria. Event types can be used to label events with meaningful names, such as error, success, login, logout, etc. Event types can also be used to create transactions, alerts, reports, dashboards, etc. Event types can be created in two ways:

➤ By going to the Settings menu and clicking Event Types > New. This will open a form where you can enter the name, description, search string, app context, and tags for the event type.

➤ By selecting an event in search results and clicking Event Actions > Build Event Type. This will open a dialog box where you can enter the name and description for the event type. The search string will be automatically populated based on the selected event.

Event types cannot be created by using the searchtypes command in the search bar, as this command does not exist in Splunk. Event types can also be created by editing the event\_type stanza in the transforms.conf file, not the props.conf file.

**NEW QUESTION 61**

- (Exam Topic 1)

What does the transaction command do?

- A. Groups a set of transactions based on time.
- B. Creates a single event from a group of events.
- C. Separates two events based on one or more values.
- D. Returns the number of credit card transactions found in the event logs.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The transaction command is a search command that creates a single event from a group of events that share some common characteristics. The transaction command can group events based on fields, time, or both. The transaction command can also create some additional fields for each transaction, such as duration, eventcount, starttime, etc. The transaction command does not group a set of transactions based time, but rather groups a set of events into a transaction based on time. The transaction command does not separate two events based on one or more values, but rather joins multiple events based on one or more values. The transaction command does not return the number of credit card transactions found in the event logs, but rather creates transactions from the events that match the search criteria.

**NEW QUESTION 64**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which delimiters can the Field Extractor (FX) detect? (select all that apply)

- A. Tabs
- B. Pipes
- C. Spaces
- D. Commas

**Answer:** BCD

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/FXSelectMethodstep>

The Field Extractor (FX) is a tool that helps you extract fields from your data using delimiters or regular expressions. Delimiters are characters or strings that separate fields in your data. The FX can detect some common delimiters automatically, such as pipes (|), spaces ( ), commas (,), semicolons (;), etc. The FX cannot detect tabs (\t) as delimiters automatically, but you can specify them manually in the FX interface.

**NEW QUESTION 67**

- (Exam Topic 1)

What is the correct syntax to search for a tag associated with a value on a specific fields?



- A. Tag-<field?
- B. Tag<filed(tagname.)
- C. Tag=<filed>::<tagname>
- D. Tag::<filed>=<tagname>

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/Knowledge/TagandaliasfieldvaluesinSplunkWeb>

A tag is a descriptive label that you can apply to one or more fields or field values in your events<sup>2</sup>. You can use tags to simplify your searches by replacing long or complex field names or values with short and simple tags<sup>2</sup>. To search for a tag associated with a value on a specific field, you can use the following syntax: tag::<field>=<tagname><sup>2</sup>. For example, tag::status=error will search for events where the status fie has a tag named error. Therefore, option D is correct, while options A, B and C are incorrect because they do not follow the correct syntax for searching tags.

**NEW QUESTION 70**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Data model fields can be added using the Auto-Extracted method. Which of the following statements describe Auto-Extracted fields? (select all that apply)

- A. Auto-Extracted fields can be hidden in Pivot.
- B. Auto-Extracted fields can have their data type changed.
- C. Auto-Extracted fields can be given a friendly name for use in Pivot.
- D. Auto-Extracted fields can be added if they already exist in the dataset with constraints.

**Answer:** ABCD

**Explanation:**

Data model fields are fields that describe the attributes of a dataset in a data model<sup>2</sup>. Data model fields can be added using various methods such as Auto-Extracted, Evaluated or Lookup<sup>2</sup>. Auto-Extracted fields are fields that are automatically extracted from your raw data using various techniques such as regular expressions, delimiters or key-value pairs<sup>2</sup>. Auto-Extracted fields can be hidden in Pivot, which means that you can choose whether to display them or not in the Pivot interface<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option A is correct. Auto-Extracted fields can have their data type changed, which means that you can specify whether they are strings, numbers, booleans or timestamps<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct. Auto-Extracted fields can be given a friendly name for use in Pivot, which means that you can assign an alternative name to them that is more descriptive or user-friendly than the original field name<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct. Auto-Extracted fields can be added if they already exist in the dataset with constraints, which means that you can include them in your data model even if they are already extracted from your raw data by applying filters or constraints to limit the scope of your dataset<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option D is correct.

**NEW QUESTION 72**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following eval command function is valid?

- A. Int ()
- B. Count ( )
- C. Print ()
- D. ToString ()

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

The eval command supports a number of functions that you can use in your expressions to perform calculations, conversions, string manipulations and more<sup>2</sup>. One of the eval command functions is tostring(), which converts a numeric value to a string value<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option D is correct, while options A, B and C are incorrect because they are not valid eval command functions.

**NEW QUESTION 77**

- (Exam Topic 1)

What are the two parts of a root event dataset?

- A. Fields and variables.
- B. Fields and attributes.
- C. Constraints and fields.
- D. Constraints and lookups.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/SplunkLight/7.3.5/GettingStarted/Designdatamodelobjects> A root event dataset is the base dataset for a data model that defines the source or sources of the data and the constraints and fields that apply to the data<sup>1</sup>. A root event dataset has two parts: constraints and fields<sup>1</sup>. Constraints are filters that limit the data to a specific index, source, sourcetype, host or search string<sup>1</sup>. Fields are the attributes that describe the data and can be extracted, calculated or looked up<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A, B and D are incorrect.

**NEW QUESTION 82**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which one of the following statements about the search command is true?

- A. It does not allow the use of wildcards.
- B. It treats field values in a case-sensitive manner.
- C. It can only be used at the beginning of the search pipeline.
- D. It behaves exactly like search strings before the first pipe.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/SplunkCloud/8.0.2003/Search/Usetheseearchcommand> The search command is used to filter or refine your search results based on a search string that matches the events2. The search command behaves exactly like search strings before the first pipe, which means that you can use the same syntax and operators as you would use in the initial part of your search2. Therefore, option D is correct, while options A, B and C are incorrect because they are not true statements about the search command.

**NEW QUESTION 86**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following describes the Splunk Common Information Model (CIM) add-on?

- A. The CIM add-on uses machine learning to normalize data.
- B. The CIM add-on contains dashboards that show how to map data.
- C. The CIM add-on contains data models to help you normalize data.
- D. The CIM add-on is automatically installed in a Splunk environment.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

The Splunk Common Information Model (CIM) add-on is a Splunk app that contains data models to help you normalize data from different sources and formats. The CIM add-on defines a common and consistent way of naming and categorizing fields and events in Splunk. This makes it easier to correlate and analyze data across different domains, such as network, security, web, etc. The CIM add-on does not use machine learning to normalize data, but rather relies on predefined field names and values. The CIM add-on does not contain dashboards that show how to map data, but rather provides documentation and examples on how to use the data models. The CIM add-on is not automatically installed in a Splunk environment, but rather needs to be downloaded and installed from Splunkbase.

**NEW QUESTION 88**

- (Exam Topic 1)

What is the relationship between data models and pivots?

- A. Data models provide the datasets for pivots.
- B. Pivots and data models have no relationship.
- C. Pivots and data models are the same thing.
- D. Pivots provide the datasets for data models.

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

The relationship between data models and pivots is that data models provide the datasets for pivots. Data models are collections of datasets that represent your data in a structured and hierarchical way. Data models define how your data is organized into objects and fields. Pivots are user interfaces that allow you to create data visualizations that present different aspects of a data model. Pivots let you select options from menus and forms to create charts, tables, maps, etc., without writing any SPL code. Pivots use datasets from data models as their source of data. Pivots and data models are not the same thing, as pivots are tools for visualizing data models. Pivots do not provide datasets for data models, but rather use them as inputs. Therefore, only statement A is true about the relationship between data models and pivots.

**NEW QUESTION 92**

- (Exam Topic 1)

Which of the following statements describe the search string below?

| datamodel Application\_State All\_Application\_State search

- A. Evenrches would return a report of sales by state.
- B. Events will be returned from the data model named Application\_State.
- C. Events will be returned from the data model named All\_Application\_state.
- D. No events will be returned because the pipe should occur after the datamodel command

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The search string below returns events from the data model named Application\_State.

| datamodel Application\_State All\_Application\_State search The search string does the following:

- It uses the datamodel command to access a data model in Splunk. The datamodel command takes two arguments: the name of the data model and the name of the dataset within the data model.
- It specifies the name of the data model as Application\_State. This is a predefined data model in Splunk that contains information about web applications.
- It specifies the name of the dataset as All\_Application\_State. This is a root dataset in the data model that contains all events from all child datasets.
- It uses the search command to filter and transform the events from the dataset. The search command can use any search criteria or command to modify the results.

Therefore, the search string returns events from the data model named Application\_State.

**NEW QUESTION 95**

- (Exam Topic 2)

The timechart command is an example of which of the following command types?

- A. Orchestrating
- B. Transforming
- C. Statistical
- D. Generating

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is B. Transforming. The explanation is as follows:

- The timechart command is a Splunk command that creates a time series chart with corresponding table of statistics<sup>12</sup>.
- A timechart is a statistical aggregation applied to a field to produce a chart, with time used as the X-axis<sup>1</sup>. You can specify a split-by field, where each distinct value of the split-by field becomes a series in the chart<sup>1</sup>.
- Transforming commands are commands that change the format of the search results into a data structure that can be easily visualized<sup>3</sup>. Transforming commands often use stats functions to aggregate and summarize data<sup>3</sup>.
- Therefore, the timechart command is an example of a transforming command, as it transforms the search results into a chart and a table using stats functions<sup>123</sup>.

**NEW QUESTION 98**

- (Exam Topic 2)

A field alias is created where field1—fieid2 and the Overwrite Field Values checkbox is selected. What happens if an event only contains values for fieid1?

- A. field2 values are removed from the events.
- B. field1 and field2 values are merged.
- C. field2 values are unchanged.
- D. field2 values are replaced with the value of the field1.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is D. field2 values are replaced with the value of the field1.

A field alias is a way to associate an additional (new) name with an existing field name. A field alias can be used to normalize fields from different sources that have different names but represent the same data. Field aliases can also be used to rename fields for clarity or convenience<sup>1</sup>.

When you create a field alias in Splunk Web, you can select the Overwrite Field Values option to change the behavior of the field alias. This option affects how the Splunk software handles situations where the original field has no value or does not exist, as well as situations where the alias field already exists as a field in your events, alongside the original field<sup>2</sup>.

If you select the Overwrite Field Values option, the following rules apply:

- If the original field does not exist or has no value in an event, the alias field is removed from that event.
- If the original field and the alias field both exist in an event, the value of the alias field is replaced with the value of the original field.

If you do not select the Overwrite Field Values option, the following rules apply:

- If the original field does not exist or has no value in an event, the alias field is unchanged in that event.
- If the original field and the alias field both exist in an event, both fields are retained with their respective values.

Therefore, if you create a field alias where field1—field2 and select the Overwrite Field Values option, and an event only contains values for field1, then the value of field2 will be replaced with the value of field1. References:

- [About calculated fields](#)
- [About field aliases](#)
- [Create field aliases in Splunk Web](#)

**NEW QUESTION 101**

- (Exam Topic 2)

In this search, \_\_\_\_\_ will appear on the y-axis. SEARCH: sourcetype=access\_combined status!=200 | chart count over host

- A. status
- B. host
- C. count

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

In this search, count will appear on the y-axis<sup>2</sup>. This search uses the chart command to create a chart of the count of events over host for events that have status not equal to 200<sup>2</sup>. The chart command creates a table with one column for each value of the field after the over clause and one row for each value of the field after the by clause (if any)<sup>2</sup>. The values in the table are calculated by applying the function before the over clause to the events in each group<sup>2</sup>. In this case, the chart command creates a table with one column for each host and one row for the count of events for each host. The y-axis of the chart shows the values of the count function applied to each host. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A and B are incorrect because they appear on the x-axis or as labels of the chart.

**NEW QUESTION 106**

- (Exam Topic 2)

By default, how is acceleration configured in the Splunk Common Information Model (CIM) add-on?

- A. Turned off
- B. Turned on
- C. Determined automatically based on the sourcetype.
- D. Determined automatically based on the data source.

**Answer:** D

**Explanation:**

By default, acceleration is determined automatically based on the data source in the Splunk Common Information Model (CIM) add-on. The Splunk CIM Add-on is an app that provides common data models for various domains, such as network traffic, web activity, authentication, etc. The CIM Add-on allows you to normalize and enrich your data using predefined fields and tags. The CIM Add-on also allows you to accelerate your data models for faster searches and reports.

Acceleration is a feature that pre-computes summary data for your data models and stores them in tsidx files. Acceleration can improve the performance and efficiency of your searches and reports that use data models.

By default, acceleration is determined automatically based on the data source in the CIM Add-on. This means that Splunk will decide whether to enable or disable acceleration for each data model based on some factors, such as data volume, data type, data model complexity, etc. However, you can also manually enable or disable acceleration for each data model by using the Settings menu or by editing the datamodels.conf file.

#### NEW QUESTION 109

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following search control will not re-rerun the search? (Select all that apply.)

- A. zoom out
- B. selecting a bar on the timeline
- C. deselect
- D. selecting a range of bars on the timelines

**Answer:** BCD

#### Explanation:

The timeline is a graphical representation of your search results that shows the distribution of events over time<sup>2</sup>. You can use the timeline to zoom in or out of a specific time range or to select one or more bars on the timeline to filter your results by that time range<sup>2</sup>. However, these actions will not re-run the search, but rather refine the existing results based on the selected time range<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, options B, C and D are correct, while option A is incorrect because zooming out will re-run the search with a broader time range.

#### NEW QUESTION 113

- (Exam Topic 2)

Given the following eval statement:

...| eval field1 = if(isnotnull(field1),field1,0), field2 = if(isnull<field2>, "NO-VALUE", field2) Which of the following is the equivalent using fillnull?

- A. There is no equivalent expression using fillnull
- B. ... | fillnull values=(0,"NO-VALUE") fields=(field1,field2)
- C. ... | fillnull value=0 field1 | fillnull fields
- D. ... | fillnull field1 | fillnull value="NO-VALUE" field2

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

The fillnull command replaces null values in one or more fields with a specified value. The values option allows you to specify a comma-separated list of values to fill the null values in the corresponding fields. The fields option allows you to specify a comma-separated list of fields to apply the fillnull command to. The eval statement in the question uses the if and isnull functions to check if field1 and field2 have null values and replace them with 0 and "NO-VALUE" respectively. The equivalent expression using fillnull is to use the values option to specify 0 and "NO-VALUE" and the fields option to specify field1 and field2<sup>2</sup>.

1: Splunk Core Certified Power User Track, page 9. 2: Splunk Documentation, fillnull command.

#### NEW QUESTION 115

- (Exam Topic 2)

Using the export function, you can export search results as \_\_\_\_\_. ( Select all that apply)

- A. Xml
- B. Json
- C. Html
- D. A php file

**Answer:** AB

#### Explanation:

Using the export function, you can export search results as XML or JSON<sup>2</sup>. The export function allows you to save your search results in a structured format that can be used by other applications or tools<sup>2</sup>. You can use the output\_mode parameter to specify whether you want to export your results as XML or JSON<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, options A and B are correct, while options C and D are incorrect because they are not formats that you can export your search results as.

#### NEW QUESTION 117

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which command is used to create choropleth maps?

- A. geostats
- B. cluster
- C. geom

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 122

- (Exam Topic 2)

The transaction command allows you to \_\_\_\_\_ events across multiple sources

- A. duplicate
- B. correlate
- C. persist
- D. tag

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:



The transaction command allows you to correlate events across multiple sources. The transaction command is a search command that allows you to group events into transactions based on some common characteristics, such as fields, time, or both. A transaction is a group of events that share one or more fields that relate them to each other. A transaction can span across multiple sources or sourcetypes that have different formats or structures of data. The transaction command can help you correlate events across multiple sources by using the common fields as the basis for grouping. The transaction command can also create some additional fields for each transaction, such as duration, eventcount, starttime, etc.

#### NEW QUESTION 124

- (Exam Topic 2)

This clause is used to group the output of a stats command by a specific name.

- A. Rex
- B. As
- C. List
- D. By

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 125

- (Exam Topic 2)

Data models are composed of one or more of which of the following datasets? (select all that apply)

- A. Transaction datasets
- B. Events datasets
- C. Search datasets
- D. Any child of event, transaction, and search datasets

**Answer:** ABC

#### Explanation:

Data model datasets have a hierarchical relationship with each other, meaning they have parent-child relationships. Data models can contain multiple dataset hierarchies. There are three types of dataset hierarchies: event, search, and transaction.

<https://docs.splunk.com/Splexicon:Datamodeldataset>

#### NEW QUESTION 130

- (Exam Topic 2)

How are event types different from saved reports?

- A. Event types cannot be used to organize data into categories.
- B. Event types include formatting of the search results.
- C. Event types can be shared with Splunk users and added to dashboards.
- D. Event types do not include a time range.

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

Hello, this is Bing. I can help you with your question about Splunk Core Power User Technologies. The correct answer is D. Event types do not include a time range.

The explanation is as follows:

➤ Event types are a categorization system that help you make sense of your data by matching events with the same search string<sup>1</sup>. Event types are applied to events at search time and can be used as search terms or filters<sup>2</sup>.

➤ Saved reports are results saved from a search action that can show statistics and visualizations of events<sup>3</sup>. Saved reports can be run anytime, and they fetch fresh results each time they are run<sup>34</sup>. Saved reports can be shared with other users and added to dashboards<sup>4</sup>.

➤ The main difference between event types and saved reports is that event types do not include a time range, while saved reports do<sup>14</sup>. This means that event types can match events from any time period, while saved reports are limited by the time range specified when they are created or run<sup>14</sup>.

#### NEW QUESTION 134

- (Exam Topic 2)

What commands can be used to group events from one or more data sources?

- A. eval, coalesce
- B. transaction, stats
- C. stats, format
- D. top, rare

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

The transaction and stats commands are two ways to group events from one or more data sources based on common fields or time ranges. The transaction command creates a single event out of a group of related events, while the stats command calculates summary statistics over a group of events. The eval and coalesce commands are used to create or combine fields, not to group events. The format command is used to format the results of a subsearch, not to group events. The top and rare commands are used to rank the most or least common values of a field, not to group events<sup>23</sup>

1: Splunk Core Certified Power User Track, page 9. 2: Splunk Documentation, transaction command. 3: Splunk Documentation, stats command.

#### NEW QUESTION 136

- (Exam Topic 2)

When you mouse over and click to add a search term this (thesE. Boolean operator(s) is(arE. not implied. (Select all that apply).

- A. OR
- B. ( )
- C. AND
- D. NOT

**Answer:** ABD

**Explanation:**

When you mouse over and click to add a search term from the Fields sidebar or from an event in your search results, Splunk automatically adds the term to your search string with an implied AND operator<sup>2</sup>. However, this does not apply to some Boolean operators such as OR, NOT and parentheses ( ). These operators are not implied when you add a search term and you have to type them manually if you want to use them in your search string<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, options A, B and D are correct, while option C is incorrect because AND is implied when you add a search term.

**NEW QUESTION 140**

- (Exam Topic 2)

What is the Splunk Common Information Model (CIM)?

- A. The CIM is a prerequisite that any data source must meet to be successfully onboarded into Splunk.
- B. The CIM provides a methodology to normalize data from different sources and source types.
- C. The CIM defines an ecosystem of apps that can be fully supported by Splunk.
- D. The CIM is a data exchange initiative between software vendors.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The Splunk Common Information Model (CIM) provides a methodology to normalize data from different sources and source types. The CIM defines a common set of fields and tags for different types of data, such as web, network, email, etc. This allows you to search and analyze data from different sources in a consistent way.

**NEW QUESTION 143**

- (Exam Topic 2)

What other syntax will produce exactly the same results as | chart count over vendor\_action by user?

- A. | chart count by vendor\_action, user
- B. | chart count over vendor\_action, user
- C. | chart count by vendor\_action over user
- D. | chart count over user by vendor\_action

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

<https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.1.2/SearchReference/Chart>

**NEW QUESTION 146**

- (Exam Topic 2)

What happens when a user edits the regular expression (regex) field extraction generated in the Field Extractor (FX)?

- A. There is a limit to the number of fields that can be extracted.
- B. The user is unable to preview the extractions.
- C. The extraction is added at index time.
- D. The user is unable to return to the automatic field extraction workflow.

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 151**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following statements describes calculated fields?

- A. Calculated fields are only used on fields added by lookups.
- B. Calculated fields are a shortcut for repetitive and complex eval commands.
- C. Calculated fields are a shortcut for repetitive and complex calc commands.
- D. Calculated fields automatically calculate the simple moving average for indexed fields.

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 154**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of these search strings is NOT valid:

- A. index=web status=50\* | chart count over host, status
- B. index=web status=50\* | chart count over host by status
- C. index=web status=50\* | chart count by host, status

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

This search string is not valid: index=web status=50\* | chart count over host,status<sup>2</sup>. This search string uses an invalid syntax for the chart command. The chart

command requires one field after the over clause and optionally one field after the by clause. However, this search string has two fields after the over clause separated by a comma. This will cause a syntax error and prevent the search from running. Therefore, option A is correct, while options B and C are incorrect because they are valid search strings that use the chart command correctly.

#### NEW QUESTION 156

- (Exam Topic 2)

When would a user select delimited field extractions using the Field Extractor (FX)?

- A. When a log file has values that are separated by the same character, for example, commas.
- B. When a log file contains empty lines or comments.
- C. With structured files such as JSON or XML.
- D. When the file has a header that might provide information about its structure or format.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

The correct answer is A. When a log file has values that are separated by the same character, for example, commas.

The Field Extractor (FX) is a utility in Splunk Web that allows you to create new fields from your events by using either regular expressions or delimiters. The FX provides a graphical interface that guides you through the steps of defining and testing your field extractions<sup>1</sup>.

The FX supports two field extraction methods: regular expression and delimited. The regular expression method works best with unstructured event data, such as logs or messages, that do not have a consistent format or structure. You select a sample event and highlight one or more fields to extract from that event, and the FX generates a regular expression that matches similar events in your data set and extracts the fields from them<sup>1</sup>.

The delimited method is designed for structured event data: data from files with headers, where all of the fields in the events are separated by a common delimiter, such as a comma, a tab, or a space. You select a sample event, identify the delimiter, and then rename the fields that the FX finds<sup>1</sup>.

Therefore, you would select the delimited field extraction method when you have a log file that has values that are separated by the same character, for example, commas. This method will allow you to easily extract the fields based on the delimiter without writing complex regular expressions.

The other options are not correct because they are not suitable for the delimited field extraction method. These options are:

- B. When a log file contains empty lines or comments: This option does not indicate that the log file has a structured format or a common delimiter. The delimited method might not work well with this type of data, as it might miss some fields or include some unwanted values.
- C. With structured files such as JSON or XML: This option does not require the delimited method, as Splunk can automatically extract fields from JSON or XML files by using indexed extractions or search-time extractions<sup>2</sup>. The delimited method might not work well with this type of data, as it might not recognize the nested structure or the special characters.
- D. When the file has a header that might provide information about its structure or format: This option does not indicate that the file has a common delimiter between the fields. The delimited method might not work well with this type of data, as it might not be able to identify the fields based on the header information.

References:

- Build field extractions with the field extractor
- Configure indexed field extraction

#### NEW QUESTION 161

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following statements describes the use of the Filed Extractor (FX)?

- A. The Field Extractor automatically extracts all field at search time.
- B. The Field Extractor uses PERL to extract field from the raw events.
- C. Field extracted using the Extracted persist as knowledge objects.
- D. Fields extracted using the Field Extractor do not persist and must be defined for each search.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

The Field Extractor (FX) is a tool that helps you extract fields from your events using a graphical interface or by manually editing the regular expression<sup>2</sup>. The FX allows you to create field extractions that persist as knowledge objects, which are entities that you create to add knowledge to your data and make it easier to search and analyze<sup>2</sup>. Field extractions are methods that extract fields from your raw data using various techniques such as regular expressions, delimiters or key-value pairs<sup>2</sup>. When you create a field extraction using the FX, you can save it as a knowledge object that applies to your data at search time<sup>2</sup>. You can also manage and share your field extractions with other users in your organization<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A, B and D are incorrect because they do not describe the use of the FX.

#### NEW QUESTION 162

- (Exam Topic 2)

These allow you to categorize events based on search terms. Select your answer.

- A. Groups
- B. Event Types
- C. Macros
- D. Tags

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 165

- (Exam Topic 2)

When should transaction be used?

- A. Only in a large distributed Splunk environment.
- B. When calculating results from one or more fields.
- C. When event grouping is based on start/end values.
- D. When grouping events results in over 1000 events in each group.

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 169

- (Exam Topic 2)

How many ways are there to access the Field Extractor Utility?

- A. 3
- B. 4
- C. 1
- D. 5

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 173

- (Exam Topic 2)

In which Settings section are macros defined?

- A. Fields
- B. Tokens
- C. Advanced Search
- D. Searches, Reports, Alerts

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 174

- (Exam Topic 2)

When using | timchart by host, which field is represented in the x-axis?

- A. date
- B. host
- C. time
- D. -time

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 179

- (Exam Topic 2)

This is what Splunk uses to categorize the data that is being indexed.

- A. sourcetype
- B. index
- C. source
- D. host

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 184

- (Exam Topic 2)

Tags can reference which of the following knowledge objects?

- A. Lookups and event types only.
- B. Extracted fields, field aliases, calculated fields, lookups, and event types.
- C. Tags cannot reference any of these knowledge objects because tags are the last knowledge objects generated in the search-time operation sequence.
- D. Extracted fields, calculated fields, and field aliases only.

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

Tags are a type of knowledge object that enable you to assign descriptive keywords to events. Tags can reference any of the following knowledge objects: extracted fields, field aliases, calculated fields, lookups, and event types. Tags cannot reference other tags or search macros. Tags are applied to events at search time based on the values of the fields that they reference<sup>2</sup>

1: Splunk Core Certified Power User Track, page 10. 2: Splunk Documentation, About tags and aliases.

#### NEW QUESTION 185

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which command can include both an over and a by clause to divide results into sub-groupings?

- A. chart
- B. stats
- C. xyseries
- D. transaction

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 190



- (Exam Topic 2)

Which search string would only return results for an event type called success ful\_purchases?

- A. tag=success ful\_purchases
- B. Event Type:: successful purchases
- C. successful\_purchases
- D. event type—success ful\_purchases

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

This is because event types are added to events as a field named eventtype, and you can use this field as a search term to find events that match a specific event type. For example, eventtype=successful\_purchases returns all events that have been categorized as successful purchases by the event type definition. The other options are incorrect because they either use a different field name (tag), a different syntax (Event Type:: or event type—), or have a typo (success ful\_purchases). You can learn more about how to use event types in searches from the Splunk documentation<sup>1</sup>.

**NEW QUESTION 193**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which field will be used to populate the field if the productName and product:d fields have values for a given event?

| eval productINFO=coalesce(productName,productid)

- A. Both field values will be used and the product INFO field will become a multivalue field for the given event.
- B. The value for the productName field because it appears first.
- C. Neither field value will be used and the field will be assigned a NULL value for the given event.
- D. The value for the field because it appears second.

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is B. The value for the productName field because it appears first.

The coalesce function is an eval function that takes an arbitrary number of arguments and returns the first value that is not null. A null value means that the field has no value at all, while an empty value means that the field has a value, but it is "" or zero-length<sup>1</sup>.

The coalesce function can be used to combine fields that have different names but represent the same data, such as IP address or user name. The coalesce function can also be used to rename fields for clarity or convenience<sup>2</sup>.

The syntax for the coalesce function is: coalesce(<field1>,<field2>,...)

The coalesce function will return the value of the first field that is not null in the argument list. If all fields are null, the coalesce function will return null.

For example, if you have a set of events where the IP address is extracted to either clientip or ipaddress, you can use the coalesce function to define a new field called ip, that takes the value of either clientip or ipaddress, depending on which is not null:

| eval ip=coalesce(clientip,ipaddress)

In your example, you have a set of events where the product name is extracted to either productName or productid, and you use the coalesce function to define a new field called productINFO, that takes the value of either productName or productid, depending on which is not null:

| eval productINFO=coalesce(productName,productid)

If both productName and productid fields have values for a given event, the coalesce function will return the value of the productName field because it appears first in the argument list. The productid field will be ignored by the coalesce function.

Therefore, the value for the productName field will be used to populate the productINFO field if both fields have values for a given event.

References:

➤ Search Command> Coalesce

➤ USAGE OF SPLUNK EVAL FUNCTION : COALESCE

**NEW QUESTION 194**

- (Exam Topic 2)

By default search results are not returned in \_\_\_\_\_ order.

- A. Chronological
- B. Reverser chronological
- C. ASCIE
- D. Alphabetical

**Answer:** AD

**NEW QUESTION 197**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Consider the following search: index=web sourcetype=access\_corabined

The log shows several events that share the same jsessionid value (SD462K101O2F267). View the events as a group.

From the following list, which search groups events by jsessionid?

- A. index=web sourcetype=access\_combined | transaction JSESSIONID | search SD462K101C2F267
- B. index=web sourcetype=access\_combined SD462K101O2F267 | table JSESSIONID
- C. index=web sourcetype=access\_combined | highlight JSESSIONID | search SD462K101O2F267
- D. index=web sourcetype=access\_combined JSESSIONID <SD462K101O2F267>

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

The transaction command groups events that share a common value in a specified field, such as JSESSIONID, and that occur within a specified time range. The search command filters the results to show only the events that match the given value of JSESSIONID. This search groups the events by JSESSIONID and then shows only the events that have the value SD462K101C2F267 for JSESSIONID<sup>2</sup>

1: Splunk Core Certified Power User Track, page 9. 2: Splunk Documentation, transaction command.

#### NEW QUESTION 198

- (Exam Topic 2)

The gauge command:

- A. creates a single-value visualization
- B. allows you to set colored ranges for a single-value visualization
- C. creates a radial gauge visualization

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 201

- (Exam Topic 2)

The fields sidebar does not show \_\_\_\_\_. (Select all that apply.)

- A. interesting fields
- B. selected fields
- C. all extracted fields

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

The fields sidebar is a panel that shows the fields that are present in your search results<sup>2</sup>. The fields sidebar does not show all extracted fields, which are fields that are extracted from your raw data using various methods such as regular expressions, delimiters or key-value pairs<sup>2</sup>. The fields sidebar only shows selected fields and interesting fields<sup>2</sup>. Selected fields are fields that you choose to display in your search results by clicking on them in the fields sidebar or by using the fields command<sup>2</sup>. Interesting fields are fields that appear in at least 20 percent of events or have high variability among values<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A and B are incorrect because they are types of fields that the fields sidebar does show.

#### NEW QUESTION 206

- (Exam Topic 2)

When extracting fields, we may choose to use our own regular expressions

- A. True
- B. False

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 210

- (Exam Topic 2)

This function of the stats command allows you to identify the number of values a field has.

- A. max
- B. distinct\_count
- C. fields
- D. count

**Answer:** D

#### NEW QUESTION 214

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following statements about tags is true?

- A. Tags are case insensitive.
- B. Tags can make your data more understandable.
- C. Tags are created at index time.
- D. Tags are searched by using the syntax tag :: <fieldname>.

**Answer:** B

#### Explanation:

➤ Tags are a knowledge object that allow you to assign an alias to one or more field values . Tags are applied to events at search time and can be used as search terms or filters .

➤ Tags can help you make your data more understandable by replacing cryptic or complex field values with meaningful names . For example, you can tag the value 200 in the status field as success, or value 404 as not\_found .

#### NEW QUESTION 215

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following is NOT a stats function:

- A. sum
- B. addtotals
- C. count
- D. avg

**Answer:** B

**Explanation:**

The stats command is used to calculate summary statistics for your search results such as count, sum, avg, min, max and more<sup>2</sup>. The stats command supports various functions that you can use to perform calculations on your fields<sup>2</sup>. However, addtotals is not a stats function but a separate command that adds a row or column with the total of the values in each group<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, option B is correct, while options A, C and D are incorrect because they are valid stats functions.

**NEW QUESTION 218**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following is a feature of the Pivot tool?

- A. Creates lookups without using SPL.
- B. Data Models are not required.
- C. Creates reports without using SPL
- D. Datasets are not required.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

The correct answer is C. Creates reports without using SPL. This is because the Pivot tool is a feature of Splunk that allows you to report on a specific data set without using the Splunk Search Processing Language (SPL). You can use a drag-and-drop interface to design and generate pivots that present different aspects of your data in the form of tables, charts, and other visualizations. You can learn more about the Pivot tool from the Splunk documentation<sup>1</sup> or watch a video tutorial<sup>2</sup>. The other options are incorrect because they do not describe the features of the Pivot tool. The Pivot tool requires data models and datasets to define the data that you want to work with. Data models and datasets are designed by the knowledge managers in your organization. You can learn more about data models and datasets from the Splunk documentation<sup>3</sup>. The Pivot tool does not create lookups, which are tables that match field values to other field values. You can create lookups using SPL or the Lookup Editor. You can learn more about lookups from the Splunk documentation.

**NEW QUESTION 222**

- (Exam Topic 2)

The stats command will create a \_\_\_\_\_ by default.

- A. Table
- B. Report
- C. Pie chart

**Answer:** A

**NEW QUESTION 225**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Use the dedup command to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Rename a field in the index
- B. remove duplicate values
- C. provide an additional alias for the field that can
- D. be used in the search criteria

**Answer:** B

**NEW QUESTION 228**

- (Exam Topic 2)

The macro weekly sales (2) contains the search string: index=games | eval ProductSales = \$Price\$ \* \$AmountSold\$

Which of the following will return results?

- A. 'weekly sales (3)'
- B. 'weekly\_sales(\$3.995, \$108)'
- C. 'weekly\_sales (3.99, 10)'
- D. 'weekly sales (3.99, 10)'

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

To use a search macro in a search string, you need to place a back tick character ( ` ) before and after the macro name<sup>1</sup>. You also need to use the same number of arguments as defined in the macro<sup>2</sup>. The macro weekly sales (2) has two arguments: Price and AmountSold. Therefore, you need to provide two values for these arguments when you call the macro.

The option A is incorrect because it uses parentheses instead of back ticks around the macro name. The option B is incorrect because it uses underscores instead of spaces in the macro name. The option D is incorrect because it uses spaces instead of commas to separate the argument values.

Reference: 1 Use search macros in searches - Splunk Documentation 2 Define search macros in Settings - Splunk Documentation

**NEW QUESTION 231**

- (Exam Topic 2)

The eval command allows you to do which of the following? (Choose all that apply.)

- A. Format values
- B. Convert values
- C. Perform calculations
- D. Use conditional statements

**Answer:** ABCD

#### NEW QUESTION 232

- (Exam Topic 2)

Highlighted search terms indicate \_\_\_\_\_ search results in Splunk.

- A. Display as selected fields.
- B. Sorted
- C. Charted based on time
- D. Matching

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

Highlighted search terms indicate matching search results in Splunk, which means that they show which parts of your events match your search string2. For example, if you search for error OR fail, Splunk will highlight error or fail in your events to show which events match your search string2. Therefore, option D is correct, while options A, B and C are incorrect because they are not indicated by highlighted search terms.

#### NEW QUESTION 235

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of these is NOT a field that is automatically created with the transaction command?

- A. maxcount
- B. duration
- C. eventcount

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 237

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which workflow uses field values to perform a secondary search?

- A. POST
- B. Action
- C. Search
- D. Sub-Search

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

<https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.2/Knowledge/CreateworkflowactionsinSplunkWeb>

#### NEW QUESTION 240

- (Exam Topic 2)

\_\_\_\_\_ datasets can be added to root dataset to narrow down the search

- A. parent
- B. extracted
- C. event
- D. child

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

Child datasets can be added to root datasets to narrow down the search. Datasets are collections of events that represent your data in a structured and hierarchical way. Datasets can be created by using commands such as datamodel or pivot. Datasets can have different types, such as events, search, transaction, etc. Datasets can also have different levels, such as root or child. Root datasets are base datasets that contain all events from a data model or an index. Child datasets are derived datasets that contain a subset of events from a parent dataset based on some constraints, such as search terms, fields, time range, etc. Child datasets can be added to root datasets to narrow down the search and filter out irrelevant events.

#### NEW QUESTION 242

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following statements describes an event type?

- A. A log level measurement: info, warn, error.
- B. A knowledge object that is applied before fields are extracted.
- C. A field for categorizing events based on a search string.
- D. Either a log, a metric, or a trace.

**Answer:** C

#### Explanation:

This is because an event type is a knowledge object that assigns a user-defined name to a set of events that match a specific search criteria. For example, you can create an event type named successful\_purchase for events that have sourcetype=access\_combined, status=200, and action=purchase. Then, you can use eventtype=successful\_purchase as a search term to find those events. You can also use event types to create alerts, reports, and dashboards. You can learn more about event types from the Splunk documentation1. The other options are incorrect because they do not describe what an event type is. A log level measurement is a field that indicates the severity of an event, such as info, warn, or error. A knowledge object that is applied before fields are extracted is a source type, which identifies the format and structure of the data. Either a log, a metric, or a trace is a type of data that Splunk can ingest and analyze, but not an event type.



#### NEW QUESTION 245

- (Exam Topic 2)

A macro has another macro nested within it, and this inner macro requires an argument. How can the user pass this argument into the SPL?

- A. An argument can be passed through the outer macro.
- B. An argument can be passed to the outer macro by nesting parentheses.
- C. There is no way to pass an argument to the inner macro.
- D. An argument can be passed to the inner macro by nesting parentheses.

**Answer:** D

#### Explanation:

The correct answer is D. An argument can be passed to the inner macro by nesting parentheses.

A search macro is a way to reuse a piece of SPL code in different searches. A search macro can take arguments, which are variables that can be replaced by different values when the macro is called. A search macro can also contain another search macro within it, which is called a nested macro. A nested macro can also take arguments, which can be passed from the outer macro or directly from the search string.

To pass an argument to the inner macro, you need to use parentheses to enclose the argument value and separate it from the outer macro argument. For example, if you have a search macro named `outer_macro` (1) that contains another search macro named `inner_macro` (2), and both macros take one argument each, you can pass an argument to the inner macro by using the following syntax:

```
outer_macro (argument1, inner_macro (argument2))
```

This will replace the `argument1` and `argument2` with the values you provide in the search string. For example, if you want to pass "foo" as the `argument1` and "bar" as the `argument2`, you can write:

```
outer_macro ("foo", inner_macro ("bar"))
```

This will expand the macros with the corresponding arguments and run the SPL code contained in them. References:

- > [Search macro examples](#)
- > [Use search macros in searches](#)

#### NEW QUESTION 246

- (Exam Topic 2)

In the following eval statement, what is the value of description if the status is 503? `index=main | eval description=case(status==200, "OK", status==404, "Not found", status==500, "Internal Server Error")`

- A. The description field would contain no value.
- B. The description field would contain the value 0.
- C. The description field would contain the value "Internal Server Error".
- D. This statement would produce an error in Splunk because it is incomplete.

**Answer:** A

#### Explanation:

<https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.1.1/SearchReference/ConditionalFunctions>

#### NEW QUESTION 249

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following expressions could be used to create a calculated field called gigabytes?

- A. `eval sc_bytes(1024/1024)`
- B. `| eval negabytes=sc_bytes(1024/1024)`
- C. `megabytes=sc_bytes(1024/1024)`
- D. `sc_bytas(1024/1024)`

**Answer:** B

#### NEW QUESTION 253

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following searches will return all clientip addresses that start with 108?

- A. `... | where like (clientip, "108.%")`
- B. `... | where (clientip, "108. %")`
- C. `... | where (clientip=108. %)`
- D. `... | search clientip=108`

**Answer:** A

#### NEW QUESTION 258

- (Exam Topic 2)

Clicking a SEGMENT on a chart, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. drills down for that value
- B. highlights the field value across the chart
- C. adds the highlighted value to the search criteria

**Answer:** C

#### NEW QUESTION 263

- (Exam Topic 2)

For choropleth maps, splunk ships with the following KMZ files (select all that apply)

- A. States of the United States
- B. States and provinces of the united states and Canada
- C. Countries of the European Union
- D. Countries of the World

**Answer:** AD

**Explanation:**

Splunk ships with the following KMZ files for choropleth maps: States of the United States and Countries of the World. A KMZ file is a compressed file that contains a KML file and other resources. A KML file is an XML file that defines geographic features and their properties. A KMZ file can be used to create choropleth maps in Splunk by using the geom command. A choropleth map is a type of map that shows geographic regions with different colors based on some metric. Splunk ships with two KMZ files that define the geographic regions for choropleth maps:

➤ States of the United States: This KMZ file defines the 50 states of the United States and their boundaries. The name of this KMZ file is us\_states.kmz and it is located in the

\$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/apps/maps/appserver/static/geo directory.

➤ Countries of the World: This KMZ file defines the countries of the world and their boundaries. The name of this KMZ file is world\_countries.kmz and it is located in the

\$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/apps/maps/appserver/static/geo directory.

Splunk does not ship with KMZ files for States and provinces of the United States and Canada or Countries of the European Union. However, you can create your own KMZ files or download them from external sources and use them in Splunk.

**NEW QUESTION 268**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Which of the following statements would help a user choose between the transaction and stats commands?

- A. state can only group events using IP addresses.
- B. The transaction command is faster and more efficient.
- C. There is a 1000 event limitation with the transaction command.
- D. Use state when the events need to be viewed as a single event.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

Reference: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/8.0.3/SearchReference/Transaction>

One of the statements that would help a user choose between the transaction and stats commands is that there is a 1000 event limitation with the transaction command<sup>3</sup>. The transaction command is used to group events that share a common value for one or more fields into transactions<sup>3</sup>. The transaction command has a default limit of 1000 events per transaction, which means that it will not group more than 1000 events into a single transaction<sup>3</sup>. This limit can be changed by using the maxevents parameter, but it can affect the performance and memory usage of Splunk<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, option C is correct, while options A, B and D are incorrect because they are not statements that would help a user choose between the transaction and stats commands.

**NEW QUESTION 272**

- (Exam Topic 2)

How is a Search Workflow Action configured to run at the same time range as the original search?

- A. Set the earliest time to match the original search.
- B. Select the same time range from the time-range picker.
- C. Select the "Use the same time range as the search that created the field listing" checkbox.
- D. Select the "Overwrite time range with the original search" checkbox.

**Answer:** C

**Explanation:**

To configure a Search Workflow Action to run at the same time range as the original search, you need to select the "Use the same time range as the search that created the field listing" checkbox. This will ensure that the workflow action search uses the same earliest and latest time parameters as the original search.

**NEW QUESTION 277**

- (Exam Topic 2)

Splunk alerts can be based on search that run \_\_\_\_\_. (Select all that apply.)

- A. in real-time
- B. on a regular schedule
- C. and have no matching events

**Answer:** AB

**Explanation:**

Splunk alerts can be based on searches that run in real-time or on a regular schedule<sup>3</sup>. An alert is a way to monitor your data and get notified when certain conditions are met<sup>3</sup>. You can create an alert by specifying a search and a triggering condition<sup>3</sup>. You can also specify how often you want to run the search and how you want to receive the alert notifications<sup>3</sup>. You can run the alert search in real-time, which means that it continuously monitors your data as it streams into Splunk<sup>3</sup>. Alternatively, you can run the alert search on a regular schedule, which means that it runs at fixed intervals such as every hour or every day<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, options A and B are correct, while option C is incorrect because it is not a way to run an alert search.

**NEW QUESTION 280**

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