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DAY 02 | PART 3

Windows EC2 Practice Questions

Test yourself on ports, key pairs, billing and passwords before moving on to Linux.

Revision

Exam style

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

Windows EC2 Practice Questions

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1. Answer exam-style questions without looking at the notes
2. Explain why each wrong option is wrong
3. Spot the most common beginner mistakes
4. Know what to revise before Day 3

REVISION

Facts to have ready

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Ports

Windows = RDP 3389. Linux = SSH 22. Web = HTTP 80, HTTPS 443.

Password

Upload the private key (.pem) to decrypt the Administrator password.

Billing

Running = compute + storage. Stopped = storage only. Terminated = nothing.

Key types

RSA works everywhere. ED25519 is for Linux only.

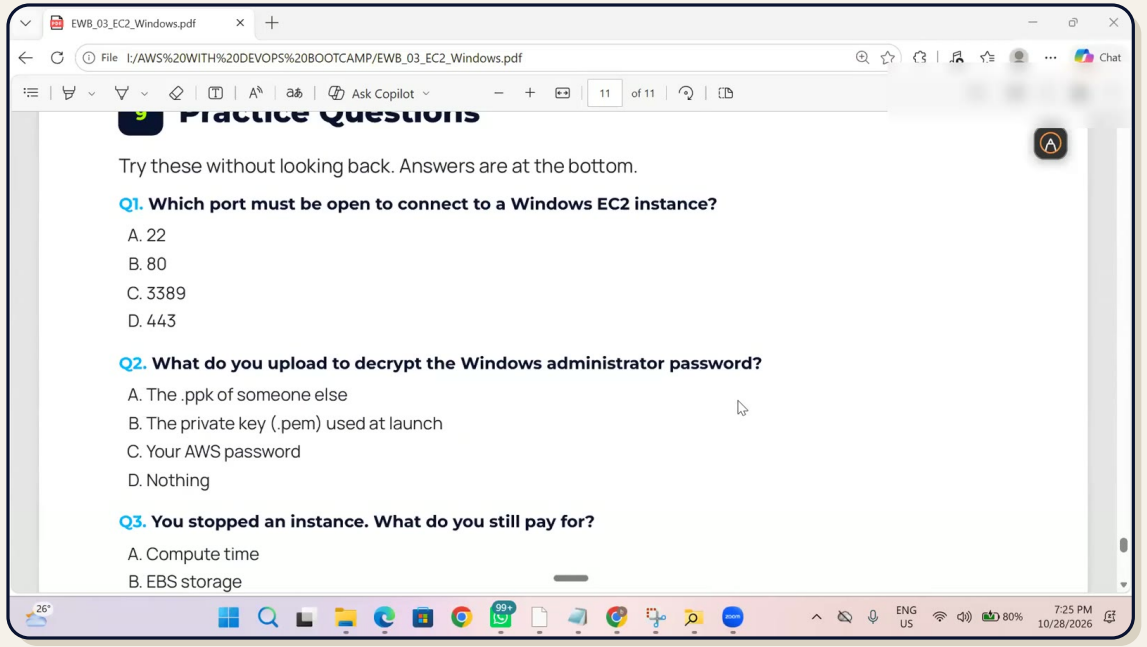
Common beginner mistakes

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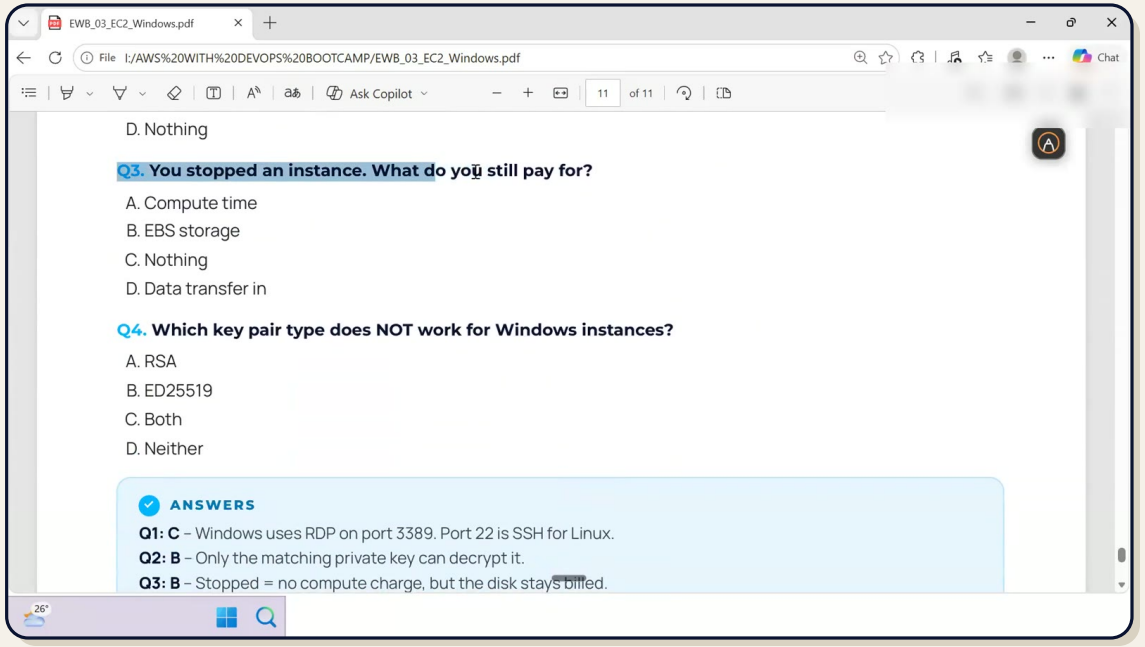
MISTAKE	WHAT HAPPENS	FIX
Wrong port in the security group	Connection times out	Open 3389 for Windows, 22 for Linux
Lost the .pem file	Cannot decrypt the password	Create a new key pair and launch again
Forgot to stop or terminate	Surprise bill	Check the Instances list after class
Chose a big instance	Leaves the free tier	Always pick t2.micro / t3.micro

FROM THE CLASS

Working through the questions



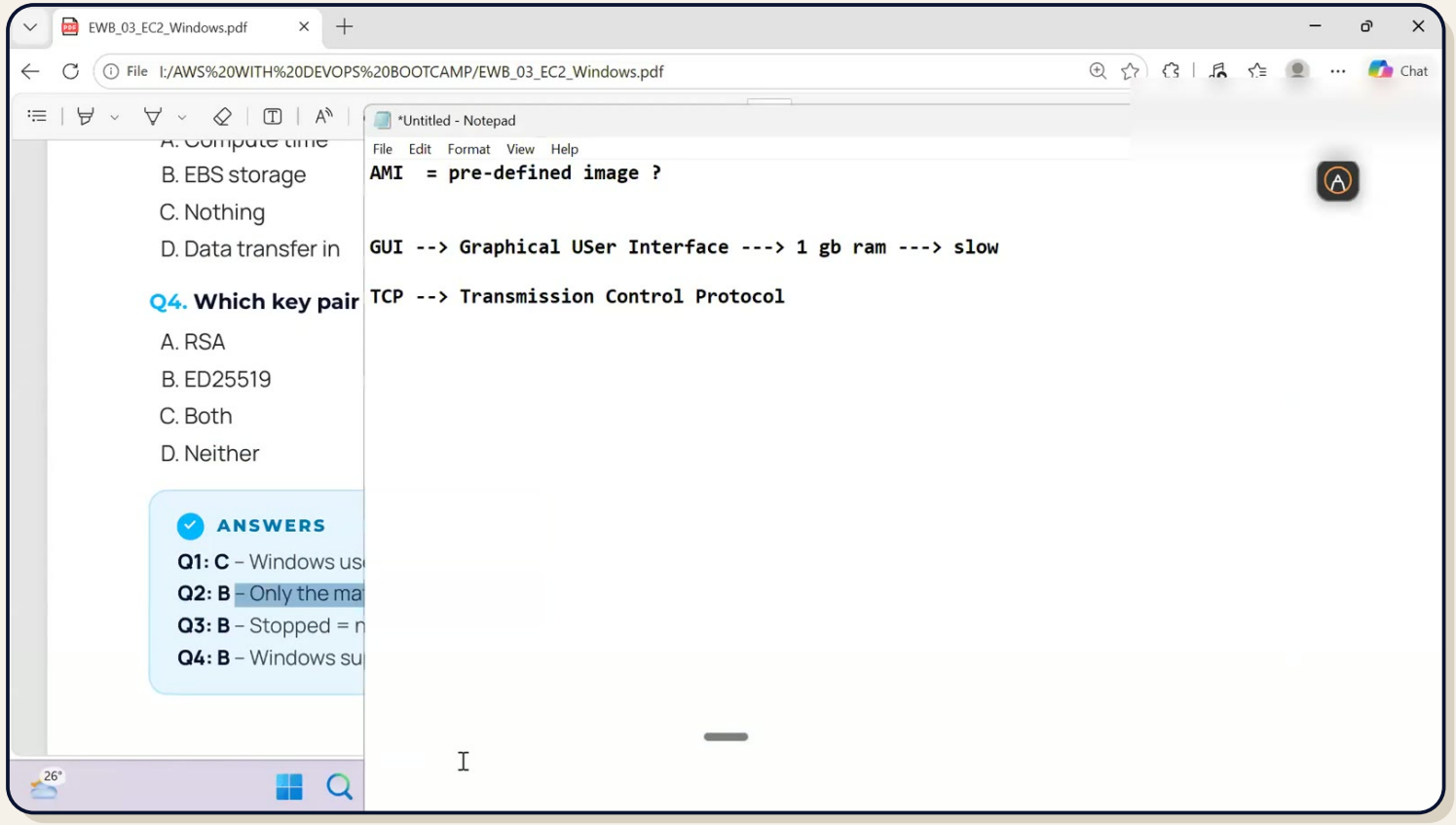
Practice questions in the Windows EC2 notes



Answers section with short explanations

FROM THE CLASS

How to practise



A moment from the recording for this part.

Cover the answers

Try the questions first, then read the explanation.

Say it aloud

If you can explain it to a friend, you have learned it.

QUICK RECAP

What to remember

- Port 3389 for RDP, port 22 for SSH
- Stopped means no compute charge, disk still billed
- Only RSA key pairs work for Windows
- Always read the wrong options too - they teach you the traps

PRACTICE

Practice questions

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Q1 **Which port must be open to connect to a Windows EC2 instance?**

A. 22
B. 80
C. 3389
D. 443

Q2 **What do you upload to decrypt the password?**

A. The .ppk of someone else
B. The private key (.pem)
C. Your AWS password
D. Nothing

Q3 **You stopped an instance. What do you still pay for?**

A. Compute time
B. EBS storage
C. Nothing
D. Data transfer in

Q4 **Which key pair type does NOT work for Windows?**

A. RSA
B. ED25519
C. Both
D. Neither

PRACTICE

Practice questions - answers

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Q1 **Which port must be open to connect to a Windows EC2 instance?**

Answer: C. 3389

RDP uses TCP 3389.

Q2 **What do you upload to decrypt the password?**

Answer: B. The private key (.pem)

The private key used at launch.

Q3 **You stopped an instance. What do you still pay for?**

Answer: B. EBS storage

Storage on the EBS volume.

Q4 **Which key pair type does NOT work for Windows?**

Answer: B. ED25519

Windows needs RSA.