

Introduction to Windows Server 2008



Learning Objectives

- Identify the key features of each Windows Server 2008 edition
- Understand client systems that can be used with Windows Server 2008
- Identify important general features of Windows Server 2008
- Plan a Windows Server 2008 networking model
- Understand and implement networking protocols used by Windows Server 2008



Windows Server 2008 Platforms

- Different styles of operating systems
 - ► For different business needs
- Eight versions:
 - Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition
 - Windows Server 2008 Enterprise Edition
 - Windows Web Server 2008
 - Windows Server 2008 Datacenter Edition
 - ▶ Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems
 - Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition without Hyper-V



Windows Server 2008 Platforms (cont'd.)

- Windows Server 2008 Enterprise Edition without Hyper-V
- Windows Server 2008 Datacenter Edition without Hyper-V

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Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition

- Most basic server version
- Basis for other versions
- Everyday needs of small to large businesses
- Used on x86 and x64 computers
- Supports:
 - File and print sharing
 - Essential network services
 - Application and other sharing
 - Multiprocessor computers
 - Symmetric multiprocessor (SMP)



Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition (cont'd.)

- Compatible with Microsoft .NET Framework and Microsoft Visual Studio .NET
- Hyper-V
 - Virtualization environment
 - Cuts cost by using fewer computers
 - Only runs on x64 computers



Windows Server 2008 Enterprise Edition

- Intended for midsized and large organizations with scaling needs
- Supports x86 and x64
- Enables clustering
 - Links two or more computers systems to provide fail-safe services
- Supports hot-add memory
 - Can add RAM without shutting down
- Fault tolerant memory sync
- Provides Microsoft Metadirectory Services



Windows Web Server 2008

- Designed for hosting and deploying Web services and applications
- Supports x86 and x64 computers
- Cannot be used to manage directory resources via hosting Active Directory



Windows Server 2008 Datacenter Edition

- Designed for:
 - Environments with mission-critical applications
 - Very large databases
 - Information access requiring high availability
- Support for clustering with up to 16 computers
- ► RAM capabilities identical to Enterprise Edition



Windows Server 2008 for Itanium-Based Systems

- Itanium processor
 - ► 64-bit processor that allows more instructions per processor cycle than typical x86 and x64 processors
- 2TB maximum RAM
- Supports:
 - ► Hot-add memory, processor
 - Hot-replace processor
 - SMP
- Intended for resource-intensive applications



Windows Server 2008 Versions Without Hyper-V

- Non-Hyper-V versions:
 - Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition without Hyper-V
 - Windows Server 2008 Enterprise Edition without Hyper-V
 - Windows Server 2008 Datacenter Edition without Hyper-V
- Small cost savings
- Steps to access virtual server in Microsoft Hyper-V



Windows Server 2008 Versions Without Hyper-V (cont'd.)

Activity 1-1: D Edition



Figure 1-2 Viewing information about the Windows Server 2008 system

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Using Windows Server 2008 with Client Systems

Client

 Accesses resources on another computer via a network or direct cable connection

Workstation

- Has its own central processing unit (CPU)
- Can be used as a stand-alone or network computer

► Total cost of ownership (TCO)

- Full cost of owning a network
- Using Windows Server 2008 and Windows Vista or Windows 7 reduces TCO



Using Windows Server 2008 with Client Systems (cont'd.)

Domain

- Grouping of network objects, such as computers, servers, and user accounts
- Windows 7
 - Ideal for networking
 - Advantages and new features

Active Directory

▶ Database of computers, users, groups of users, shared printers, shared folders, and other network resources



Using Windows Server 2008 with Client Systems (cont'd.)

- Subsystem for UNIX-based Applications (SUA)
 - Windows Server 2008 support for UNIX and Linux clients



Windows Server 2008 Features

- Server Manager
- Security
- Clustering
- Enhanced Web services
- Windows Server Core
- Windows PowerShell
- Virtualization
- Reliability
- Multitasking and multithreading



Server Manager

- Manage configuration from one tool
- Uses of Server Manager:
 - View computer configuration information
 - Change properties of a system
 - View network connections
 - Configure Remote Desktop
 - Configure security



Server Manager

- Uses of Server Manager (cont'd.):
 - Configure security
 - Configure server roles
 - Add and remove features
 - Run diagnostics
 - Manage storage and backup



Security

- Network Access Protection (NAP)
 - Umbrella of security protection features
 - Capabilities
- Security implemented by default
- Security Configuration Wizard (SCW)
 - Simplifies security configuration
- Other basic security features