

**CCNA EXPLORATION v4.0
ACCESSING THE WAN
INSTRUCTOR REFERENCE GUIDE**

**COMPARISON OF NEW CURRICULA WITH
EXISTING CURRICULA**



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Accessing the WAN Summary

New CCNA curriculum has been created to improve student experience, improve quality, and increase flexibility.

Accessing the WAN Course Outline

Following is the outline for this new course with indications as to which topics contain new content. Note: P-New means that the original subject matter has been enhanced and/or there is additional subject matter in the section.

Course Outline				New/ Existing Content
1.0			Introduction to WANs	
	1.1		Providing Integrated Services to the Enterprise	
		1.1.1	Introducing Wide Area Networks (WANs)	P-New, 2.1.1
		1.1.2	The Evolving Enterprise	P-New, 2.3.3
		1.1.3	The Evolving Network Model	P-New, 2.3.4, 2.3.5
	1.2		WAN Technology Concepts	
		1.2.1	WAN Technology Overview	2.1.3
		1.2.2	WAN Physical Layer Concepts	2.1.1-2.1.3
		1.2.3	WAN Data Link Layer Concepts	2.1.2-2.1.4, 2.1.6
		1.2.4	WAN Switching Concepts	2.1.5
	1.3		WAN Connection Options	
		1.3.1	WAN Link Connection Options	P-New, 2.1.6
		1.3.2	Dedicated Connection Link Options	2.2.3
		1.3.3	Circuit Switched Connection Options	2.2.1, 2.2.2
		1.3.4	Packet Switched Connection Options	2.2.4-2.2.6
		1.3.5	Internet Connection Options	P-New, 2.1.6, 2.2.7, 2.2.8
2.0			PPP	
	2.1		Serial Point-to-Point Links	
		2.1.1	Introducing Serial Communications	P-New, 3.1.1
		2.1.2	TDM	3.1.2
		2.1.3	Demarcation Point	3.1.3
		2.1.4	DTE and DCE	3.1.4
		2.1.5	HDLC Encapsulation	3.1.5
		2.1.6	Configuring HDLC Encapsulation	3.1.6
		2.1.7	Troubleshooting a Serial Interface	3.1.7
	2.2		PPP Concepts	
		2.2.1	Introducing PPP	3.2.1
		2.2.2	PPP Layered Architecture	3.2.1
		2.2.3	PPP Frame Structure	3.2.1
		2.2.4	Establishing a PPP Session	3.2.2
		2.2.5	Establishing a Link with LCP	3.2.2-3.2.5
		2.2.6	NCP Explained	P-New, 3.2.2
	2.3		Configuring PPP	
		2.3.1	PPP Configuration Options	3.3.1
		2.3.2	PPP Configuration Commands	3.3.2

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	2.3.3	Verifying a Serial PPP Encapsulation Configuration	3.3.4
	2.3.4	Troubleshooting PPP Encapsulation	P-New, 3.3.5
2.4		Configuring PPP with Authentication	
	2.4.1	PPP Authentication Protocols	3.2.3
	2.4.2	Password Authentication Protocol (PAP)	3.2.4
	2.4.3	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP)	3.2.5
	2.4.4	PPP Encapsulation and Authentication Process	3.2.6
	2.4.5	Configuring PPP with Authentication	3.2.6
	2.4.6	Troubleshooting a PPP Configuration with Authentication	3.3.5
3.0		Frame Relay	
	3.1	Basic Frame Relay Concepts	
	3.1.1	Introducing Frame Relay	P-New, 5.1.1, 5.1.2
	3.1.2	Virtual Circuits	P-New, 5.1.2
	3.1.3	Frame Relay Encapsulation	5.1.3
	3.1.4	Frame Relay Topologies	P-New, 5.1.5
	3.1.5	Frame Relay Address Mapping	P-New, 5.1.6, 5.1.7
	3.2	Configuring Frame Relay	
	3.2.1	Configuring Basic Frame Relay	5.2.1
	3.2.2	Configuring Static Frame Relay Maps	5.2.2
	3.3	Advanced Frame Relay Concepts	
	3.3.1	Solving Reachability Issues	5.2.3, 5.2.4
	3.3.2	Paying for Frame Relay	NEW
	3.3.3	Frame Relay Flow Control	5.1.4
	3.4	Configuring Advanced Frame Relay	
	3.4.1	Configuring Frame Relay Subinterfaces	5.2.5, 5.2.4
	3.4.2	Verifying Frame Relay Operation	5.2.6
	3.4.3	Troubleshooting Frame Relay Configuration	5.2.7
4.0		Network Security	
	4.1	Introduction to Network Security	
	4.1.1	Why is Network Security Important?	NEW
	4.1.2	Common Security Threats	NEW
	4.1.3	Types of Network Attacks	NEW
	4.1.4	General Mitigation Techniques	NEW
	4.1.5	The Network Security Wheel	NEW
	4.1.6	The Enterprise Security Policy	NEW
	4.2	Securing Cisco Routers	
	4.2.1	Router Security Issues	NEW
	4.2.2	Applying Cisco IOS Security Features to Routers	NEW
	4.2.3	Manage Router Security	NEW
	4.2.4	Securing Remote Administrative Access to Routers	NEW



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		4.2.5	Logging Router Activity	6.2.9
	4.3		Secure Router Network Services	
		4.3.1	Vulnerable Router Services and Interfaces	NEW
		4.3.2	Management Service Vulnerabilities	NEW
		4.3.3	Securing Routing Protocols	NEW
		4.3.4	Locking Down Your Router with Cisco Auto Secure	NEW
	4.4		Using Cisco SDM	
		4.4.1	Cisco SDM Overview	NEW
		4.4.2	Configuring Your Router to Support Cisco SDM	NEW
		4.4.3	Starting Cisco SDM	NEW
		4.4.4	The Cisco SDM Interface	NEW
		4.4.5	Cisco SDM Wizards	NEW
		4.4.6	Locking Down a Router with Cisco SDM	NEW
	4.5		Secure Router Management	
		4.5.1	Maintaining Cisco IOS Software Images	NEW
		4.5.2	Managing Cisco IOS Images	NEW
		4.5.3	Managing Cisco IOS Images	NEW
		4.5.4	Backing up and Upgrading Software Images	NEW
		4.5.5	Recovering Software Images	NEW
		4.5.6	Troubleshooting Cisco IOS Configurations	NEW
		4.5.7	Recovering a Lost Router Password	NEW
5.0			ACLs	
	5.1		Using ACLs to Secure Networks	
		5.1.1	A TCP Conversation	NEW
		5.1.2	Packet Filtering	NEW
		5.1.3	What is an ACL?	NEW
		5.1.4	ACL Operation	NEW
		5.1.5	Types of Cisco ACLs	NEW
		5.1.6	How a Standard ACL Works	NEW
		5.1.7	Numbering and Naming ACLs	NEW
		5.1.8	Where to Place ACLs	NEW
		5.1.9	General Guidelines for Creating ACLs	NEW
	5.2		Configuring Standard ACLs	
		5.2.1	Entering Criteria Statements	NEW
		5.2.2	Configuring a Standard ACL	NEW
		5.2.3	ACL Wildcard Masking	NEW
		5.2.4	Applying Standard ACLs to Interfaces	NEW
		5.2.5	Editing Numbered ACLs	NEW
		5.2.6	Creating Standard Named ACLs	NEW
		5.2.7	Monitoring and Verifying ACLs	NEW
		5.2.8	Editing Named ACLs	NEW
	5.3		Configuring Extended ACLs	

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		5.3.1	Extended ACLs	NEW
		5.3.2	Configuring Extended ACLs	NEW
		5.3.3	Applying Extended ACLs to Interfaces	NEW
		5.3.4	Creating Named Extended ACLs	NEW
	5.4		Configure Complex ACLs	
		5.4.1	What are Complex ACLs?	NEW
		5.4.2	Dynamic ACLs	NEW
		5.4.3	Reflexive ACLs	NEW
		5.4.4	Time-based ACLs	NEW
		5.4.5	Troubleshooting Common ACL Errors	NEW
6.0			Teleworker Services	
	6.1		Business Requirements for Teleworker Services	
		6.1.1	The Business Requirements for Teleworker Services	NEW
		6.1.2	The Teleworker Solution	NEW
	6.2		Broadband Services	
		6.2.1	Connecting Teleworkers to the WAN	P-New, 2.1.2
		6.2.2	Cable	P-New, 2.2.8
		6.2.3	DSL	P-New, 2.2.7
		6.2.4	Broadband Wireless	NEW
	6.3		VPN Technology	
		6.3.1	VPNs and Their Benefits	NEW
		6.3.2	Types of VPNs	NEW
		6.3.3	VPN Components	NEW
		6.3.4	Characteristics of Secure VPNs	NEW
		6.3.5	VPN Tunneling	NEW
		6.3.6	VPN Data Integrity	NEW
		6.3.7	IPsec Security Protocols	NEW
7.0			IP Addressing Services	
	7.1		DHCP	
		7.1.1	Introducing DHCP	P-New, 1.2.1, 1.2.3
		7.1.2	DHCP Operation	1.2.1, 1.2.3, 1.2.4
		7.1.3	BOOTP and DHCP	P-New, 1.2.2
		7.1.4	Configuring a DHCP Server	1.2.5, 1.2.6
		7.1.5	Configuring a DHCP Client	P-New, 1.2.4
		7.1.6	DHCP Relay	1.2.8
		7.1.7	Configuring a DHCP Server Using SDM	NEW
		7.1.8	Troubleshooting DHCP	P-New, 1.2.7
	7.2		Scaling Networks with NAT	
		7.2.1	Private and Public IP Addressing	P-New, 1.1.1
		7.2.2	What is NAT?	1.1.2-1.1.4
		7.2.3	Benefits and Drawbacks of Using NAT	1.1.3, 1.1.7
		7.2.4	Configuring Static NAT	1.1.4

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		7.2.5	Configuring Dynamic NAT	1.1.4
		7.2.6	Configuring NAT Overload	1.1.4
		7.2.7	Configuring Port Forwarding	NEW
		7.2.8	Verifying and Troubleshooting NAT Configurations	P-New, 1.1.6
	7.3		IPv6	
		7.3.1	Reasons for Using IPv6	NEW
		7.3.2	IPv6 Addressing	NEW
		7.3.3	IPv6 Transition Strategies	NEW
		7.3.4	Cisco IOS Dual Stack	NEW
		7.3.5	IPv6 Tunneling	NEW
		7.3.6	Routing Considerations with IPv6	NEW
		7.3.7	Configuring IPv6 Addresses	NEW
		7.3.8	Configuring RIPng with IPv6	NEW
		7.3.9	Reasons for Using IPv6	NEW
8.0			Network Troubleshooting	
	8.1		Establishing the Network Performance Baseline	
		8.1.1	Documenting Your Network	P-New, 6.2.1, 6.2.2, 6.2.9
		8.1.2	Documenting Your Network	NEW
		8.1.3	Why is Establishing a Network Baseline Important?	P-New, 6.2.8
		8.1.4	Steps for Establishing a Network Baseline	P-New, 6.2.9
	8.2		Troubleshooting Methodologies and Tools	
		8.2.1	A General Approach to Troubleshooting	NEW
		8.2.2	Using Layered Models for Troubleshooting	NEW
		8.2.3	General Troubleshooting Procedures	NEW
		8.2.4	Troubleshooting Methods	NEW
		8.2.5	Gathering Symptoms	NEW
		8.2.6	Troubleshooting Tools	P-New, 6.2.1, 6.2.4-6.2.6, 6.2.8, 6.2.9
	8.3		Common WAN Implementation Issues	
		8.3.1	WAN Communications	2.1.2, 2.1.6, 2.3.1
		8.3.2	Steps in WAN Design	P-New, 2.3.1-2.3.3
		8.3.3	WAN Traffic Considerations	P-New, 2.3.2, 2.3.3
		8.3.4	WAN Topology Considerations	2.3.3
		8.3.5	WAN Bandwidth Considerations	2.3.2, 2.3.3
		8.3.6	Common WAN Implementation Issues	2.3.2
		8.3.7	Case Study: WAN Troubleshooting from an ISP's Perspective	NEW
	8.4		Network Troubleshooting	
		8.4.1	Interpreting Network Diagrams to Identify Problems	NEW
		8.4.2	Physical Layer Troubleshooting	NEW
		8.4.3	Data Link Layer Troubleshooting	P-New, 3.1.7,

Course Outline				New/ Existing Content
				3.3.4, 3.3.5, 5.2.6, 5.2.7
		8.4.4	Network Layer Troubleshooting	NEW
		8.4.5	Transport Layer Troubleshooting	NEW
		8.4.6	Application Layer Troubleshooting	NEW

Accessing the WAN Summary of Skills and Equipment Changes:

NEW SKILLS REQUIRED

Following is a list of the new skills that shall be required for the Accessing the WAN course:

- Configure router security with Cisco IOS and SDM.
- Configuration of remote access to routers using VPN.
- Advanced ACL configuration.
- IP6 configuration.
- Enterprise troubleshooting using Cisco's layered model.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Academies adopting all CCNA Exploration courses – The minimum required equipment bundle for assured compatibility with all labs:

In order to be able to implement the different topologies that are used in the lab exercises of the CCNA curricula, Academies teaching the four courses of either CCNA Exploration and/or CCNA Discovery require as a minimum the following equipment:

- 3 Cisco 1841 routers with Base IP IOS
- 3 2960 switches
- 2 Linksys wireless routers (Linksys WRT150N is preferred, but other models like the WRT54G, WRT300N, and WRT350N are alternatives) or SOHO equivalent

Note: The routers and switches in this equipment bundle can be substituted by other models of Cisco routers and switches with equal or higher specifications. Older equipment may be used as a substitute in some cases, but compatibility with labs is not guaranteed.

Additional Lab Equipment Required:

In addition to the networking equipment specified above, the lab topologies of CCNA Exploration may require the use of some or all of the following equipment and accessories:

- 1 PC acting as an Application Server
- A minimum of 2 desktop/laptop PCs acting as clients
- NIC Cards for the PC server and PC clients
- 2 Wireless LAN Adapters for the client PCs
- Ethernet cables and Serial Cables
- Cable-making and testing equipment

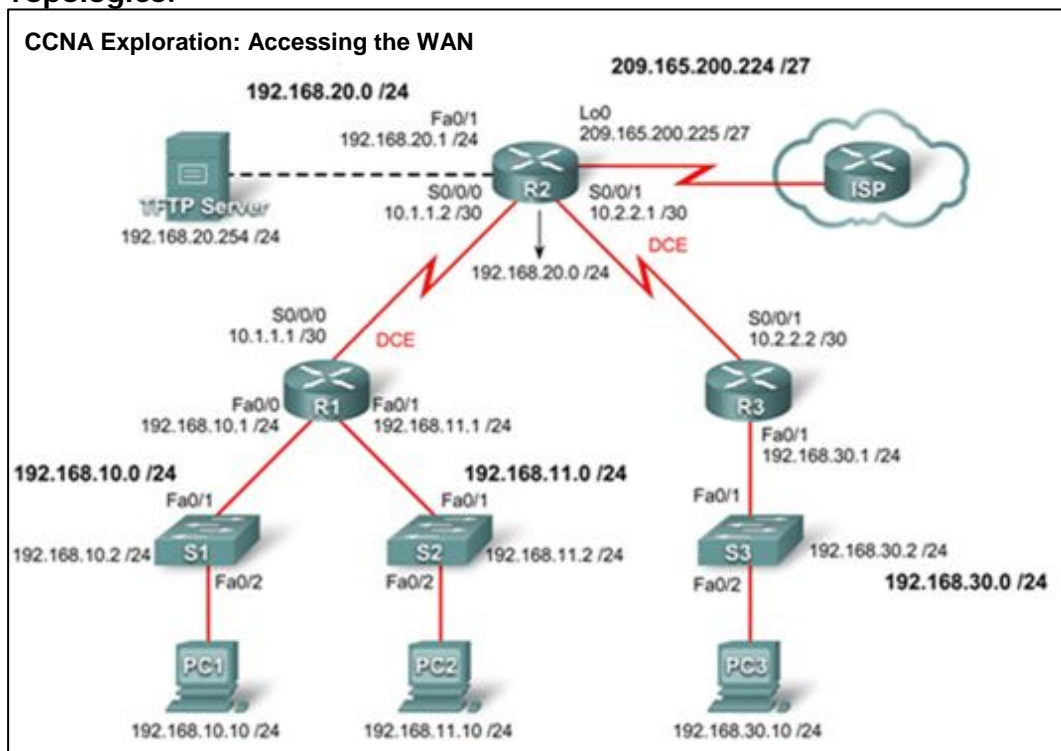
IOS Option:

In order to keep equipment investment to a minimum, the Product Development team designed all lab exercises for CCNA Exploration using the BASE IP IOS 12.4. For those Academies that wish to drill deeper into some of the routing functionalities, Cisco recommends an upgrade of the BASE IP IOS to the Advanced Services IOS. In addition to the software itself, this upgrade requires additional DRAM and Flash memories for the 1841 Routers.

Mounting Rack Accessories:

The 1841 is a desktop router. Academies that prefer to install lab equipment in standard 19" racks can use the optional Rack Kit for the 1841.

Topologies:





Summary of Changes:

The CCNA Exploration: Accessing the WAN curriculum has some pedagogical changes that have been applied to make the learning process more effective. The changes include the following:

- Access Control Lists have moved from semester 2 and are more advanced.
- ISDN has been removed.
- Work stations and servers have been removed.
- Network Security has been added.
- Tele-worker services and remote access security have been added.
- IP6 configuration has been added.
- Enterprise troubleshooting has been added.
- Converged network services has been added.