

Red Hat Enterprise Linux Diagnostics and Troubleshooting

Course code: RH342

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Who is the course for

The Red Hat Enterprise Linux Diagnostics and Troubleshooting course is aimed at senior system administrators who wish to learn more about troubleshooting.

What we teach you

- Use the scientific method to approach troubleshooting
- Troubleshoot boot issues
- Troubleshoot security issues
- Troubleshoot storage issues
- Troubleshoot network issues

Required skills

- Have earned a Red Hat Certified System Administrator (RHCSA) or have similar experience
- It is recommended that students have earned a Red Hat Certified Engineer (RHCE) or have similar experience

Course outline

Introduction to troubleshooting

Describe a generalized strategy for troubleshooting.

Take proactive steps to prevent small issues

Prevent small issues from becoming large problems by employing proactive system administration techniques.

Troubleshoot boot issues

Identify and resolve issues that can affect a system's ability to boot.

Identify hardware issues

Identify hardware problems that can affect a system's ability to operate.

Troubleshoot storage issues

Identify and fix issues related to storage.

Troubleshoot RPM issues

Identify and fix problems in, and using, the package management subsystem.

Troubleshoot network issues

Identify and resolve network connectivity issues.

Troubleshoot application issues

Debug application issues.

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Deal with security issues

Identify and fix issues related to security subsystems.

Troubleshoot kernel issues

Identify kernel issues and assist Red Hat Support in resolving kernel issues.

Red Hat Enterprise Linux Diagnostics and Troubleshooting comprehensive review

Practice and demonstrate knowledge and skills learned in Red Hat Enterprise Linux Diagnostics and Troubleshooting.

What you need to know

Impact on the organization

This course is intended to develop the skills needed to prevent costly downtime due to system failure and quickly recover failed systems using analysis, diagnosis, and troubleshooting.

Red Hat has created this course in a way intended to benefit our customers, but each company and infrastructure is unique, and actual results or benefits may vary.

Impact on the individual

As a result of attending this course, students should be able to leverage the software development life-cycle process to plan, create, test, and provision host systems within an organization.

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