



# Microsoft Exam Comparison

## PL-300: Power BI Data Analyst vs. PL-900: Power Platform Fundamentals

### Power BI Certifications — PL-300 vs. PL-900

	PL-300	PL-900
<b>Description</b>	This exam tests your ability to use Power BI to work with data.	This exam tests your understanding of how Power Platform applications can be used to solve business problems.
<b>Target audience</b>	People working as (or wishing to work as) a data analyst or business analyst.	People working on business solutions for data problems, including project managers, functional consultants, and sales people.
<b>What certification do you get?</b>	Passing this exam gives you the Microsoft Certified: Power BI Data Analyst Associate certification.	Passing this exam gives you the Microsoft Certified: Power Platform Fundamentals certification.
<b>Which technologies are tested?</b>	Power BI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power BI</li> <li>Power Apps</li> <li>Power Automate</li> </ul>
<b>What skills are tested?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>25% to 30% Preparing data</li> <li>25% to 30% Modeling data</li> <li>25% to 30% Visualizing and analyzing data</li> <li>15% to 20% Deploying and maintaining assets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20% to 25% Describe the business value of Microsoft Power Platform</li> <li>10% to 15% Identify foundational components of Microsoft Power Platform</li> <li>10% to 15% Demonstrate the capabilities of Power BI</li> <li>20% to 25% Demonstrate the capabilities of Power Apps</li> <li>15% to 20% Demonstrate the capabilities of Power Automate</li> <li>15% to 20% Describe complementary Microsoft Power Platform solutions</li> </ul>
<b>How can I prepare?</b>	<p><b>DataCamp Learning Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take the DataCamp's <a href="#">Data Analyst in Power BI</a> career track.</li> </ul> <p><b>Microsoft Learning Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Microsoft has a <a href="#">series of learning paths</a> for the Power BI Data Analyst Associate certification</li> </ul>	<p><b>DataCamp Learning Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DataCamp provides learning content on Power BI, but not Power Apps or Power Automate.</li> <li>Take these courses: <a href="#">Introduction to Power BI</a>, <a href="#">Introduction to DAX in Power BI</a>, <a href="#">Data Visualization in Power BI</a>.</li> <li>Then proceed to case study courses such as <a href="#">Analyzing Job Market Data in Power BI</a> and <a href="#">Analyzing Customer Churn in Power BI</a>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Microsoft Learning Resources:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take the <a href="#">Microsoft PL-900 Learning Path</a></li> </ul>
<b>How long do I get to answer the questions?</b>	<b>100 minutes</b> Add 20 minutes for reading instructions, providing comments, etc.	<b>45 minutes</b> Add 20 minutes for reading instructions, providing comments, etc.
<b>How much does the exam cost?</b>	United States: \$165 United Kingdom: £113 Germany: €165 India: ₹4800 Passing the Data Analyst in Power BI career track gets you a <b>50% discount</b> on the PL-300 Certification.	United States: \$99 United Kingdom: £69 Germany: €99 India: ₹4800
<b>What languages are supported?</b>	Arabic (Saudi Arabia) Chinese (Simplified) Chinese (Traditional) English French German Indonesian (Indonesia) Italian Japanese Korean Portuguese (Brazil) Russian Spanish	Arabic (Saudi Arabia) Chinese (Simplified) Chinese (Traditional) English French German Italian Japanese Korean Portuguese (Brazil) Russian Spanish
<b>Where can I practice?</b> (Microsoft registration required)	<a href="#">PL-300 Practice Assessment</a>	<a href="#">PL-900 Practice Assessment</a>
<b>What does this lead to?</b>	Take <a href="#">DP-500: Designing and Implementing Enterprise-Scale Analytics Solutions Using Microsoft Azure and Microsoft Power BI</a> next to use your Power BI skills in the enterprise and work towards the <a href="#">Microsoft Certified: Azure Enterprise Data Analyst Associate</a> certification.	PL-900 is the first in a sequence of Power Platform exams. Take <a href="#">PL-100: Microsoft Power Platform App Maker (Associate)</a> next to build Power Platform applications and get the <a href="#">Microsoft Certified: Power Platform App Maker Associate</a> certification.

### Microsoft Exam FAQ

<b>Where are exams taken?</b>	Exams can be taken online or in-person at a test center. For online exams, you'll need to run a <a href="#">system check</a> to make sure your computer meets security requirements.
<b>What sort of questions are in the Microsoft exams?</b>	Question types include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>multiple choice (select one or multiple answers)</li> <li>drag and drop (categorize or order values)</li> <li>active screen (manipulate dropdown widgets)</li> <li>hot area (click a screenshot)</li> </ul> Try sample exercises in the <a href="#">Microsoft Exam Sandbox</a> .
<b>What is the passing score?</b>	700/1000 Note that this is a scaled score, so it does not correspond to 70% correct. The precise algorithm for scoring is not public.
<b>How do you get points?</b>	You can <a href="#">request an accommodation</a> for your disability. For example, you can get extra time, or may be entitled to use assistive technology, or have a personal care assistant, reader, or scribe present.
<b>Can I retake the exam if I fail?</b>	<a href="#">After 24 hours</a> , you are allowed a second attempt. There is a 14 day waiting period on subsequent attempts. After 5 failed attempts you must wait until 1 year after your first attempt. You need to pay for each exam attempt.