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QUESTION 1

A multi-server installation of Cognos BI must be performed. Which of the following is a valid strategy for

installing across multiple servers?

A. Separate the gateway component from other server components to restrict report request processing

to the Web server tier.

B. Enable dedicated request processing, by installing a dispatcher in the Web server tier to act as a

primary dispatcher for routing requests to other dispatchers.

C. Scale the system vertically by installing one instance of all Cognos 8 services on a larger computer

capable of managing more concurrent request threads.

D. Enable load balancing of requests for content management services by installing multiple instances of

Content Manager.

Answer: B

QUESTION 2

Which of the following is a critical component in delivering Corporate Performance Management

throughout an enterprise?

A. Drill down from summary to detailed information within individual subject areas.

B. Drill across from one subject area to another through conformed dimensions.

C. Star schema data marts designed to facilitate analysis and reporting.

D. Event management designed to monitor the status of Key Performance Indicators.

Answer: B

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QUESTION 3

A company has several operational data stores. They wish to compare data from the various

data stores against one another. The data in the various stores must be manipulated to match.

Eventual report performance is more important than development time. Which of the

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following Cognos 8 components would BEST address their requirements?

A. Report Studio and Query Studio

B. Analysis Studio and Report Studio

C. Data Manager and Analysis Studio

D. Planning, Data Manager, and Report Studio

Answer: C

QUESTION 4

Why should an application's performance be monitored on an ongoing basis after it goes into production?

A. Initial performance tests are usually too optimistic.

B. There is little value in performance tests before a system goes into production.

C. Usage patterns on applications tend to change over time.

D. New releases of system and application software usually degrade performance.

Answer: C

QUESTION 5

Which of the following describes common methods for enriching an initial dimension map?

A. Add exception and range band dimensions and include additional metrics and calculations.

B. Merge dimensions and include additional metrics and calculations.

C. Include additional metrics and calculations and core metrics and dimensions from related business

areas.

D. Include additional metrics, calculations, and hierarchy levels, and dimensions from related subject

areas.

Answer: A

QUESTION 6

Which of the following describes a disadvantage of using the dimensionally modeled relational (DMR)

technique to access a normalized data structure?

A. does not allow access to all relational items in Query and Report Studio

B. may increase the time needed to fetch required data

C. does not allow access to member functions

D. may bypass aggregate aware tables

Answer: B

QUESTION 7

Which of the following is a key difference between MDX and SQL?

A. MDX is used for dimensional style reporting while SQL is incapable of dimensional style reporting.

B. MDX has built in functions to support relative date calculations while SQL cannot perform relative date

calculations.

C. Dimensionally Modeled Relational (DMR) retrieves data using MDX, not SQL.

D. MDX can reference metadata that SQL cannot.

Answer: D

QUESTION 8

A table is in Third Normal Form if it is already in Second Normal Form, plus:

A. All attributes are determined only by the primary key

B. All attributes are determined by all segments of the primary key

C. All foreign keys are determined by the primary key

D. All surrogate keys are determined by the primary key