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# Quick Cloud Strategy Review



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### 6 Best Practices

#### 1. Understand Business Goals and Needs

Identify your organization's future goals, key stakeholders, customer demands, location factors, and industry preferences. This will provide a starting point for analysing how cloud adoption can help achieve those objectives.

#### 2. Assess Current State

Outline your current systems, technologies, processes, and any unmet needs. Determine which applications and workloads are suitable for migration to the cloud.

#### 3. Define the Desired Future State

Based on your goals and current state assessment, define the desired future state outlining how the cloud will enable your business. This includes the cloud deployment model (public, private, hybrid), service models (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS), and target architecture.

#### 4. Perform Gap Analysis and Risk Assessment

Conduct a gap analysis between the current and desired states to identify gaps in capabilities, processes, and skills required for cloud adoption. Assess potential risks, compliance requirements, and create mitigation plans.

#### 5. Create a Roadmap and Budget Plan

Develop a detailed roadmap with clear milestones, timelines, and a budget plan considering migration costs, cloud service costs, training, and any additional expenses.

#### **6. Plan for Migration and Governance**

Outline the migration strategy for applications and data, including testing and implementation plans. Establish cloud governance policies, roles, access controls, and mechanisms for continuous monitoring, optimization, and improvement. By following these steps, you can create a comprehensive cloud strategy aligned with your business objectives, ensuring a smooth and successful cloud adoption journey.