

# CompTIA Network+ (N10-008)

## Course Overview

This course prepares students to take the CompTIA Network+ N10-008 exam. Topics covered include network fundamentals, communication, infrastructure, operations, security, and troubleshooting.

### Chapter 1 - Network Fundamentals

1h 52m

Instructor Introduction  
Course Introduction  
Network Fundamentals  
Topic A: Introduction to Networking  
What is a Network?  
Network Building Blocks  
Types of Networks  
Host Requirements  
Numbering Systems  
Demo - Numbering Systems  
Communication Types  
Communication Concepts  
Topic B: Network Models and Topologies  
Networking Models  
Workgroup vs. Domain  
Network Topologies  
Physical Bus  
Physical Star  
Physical Ring  
Physical Mesh  
Logical Topologies  
Wireless Topologies  
Topic C: Network Components and Services  
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Topic D: Network Standards  
What is a Standard?  
Why Use Standards?  
Standards Organizations  
IEEE Networking Standards  
10Base Standards  
Ethernet  
Ethernet Frames  
MAC Addresses  
Access Methods  
OSI / RM  
Upper Layers

Lower Layers  
Chapter 1 Review

**Chapter 2 - Network Communication**

3h 6m

Network Communication  
Topic A: Cabling and Connectors  
Transmission Methods  
Serial vs. Parallel  
Baseband vs. Broadband  
Data Access Methods  
Communication Domains  
Data Access Methods  
Digital Signals  
Transmission Media  
Twisted Pair Cabling  
Cable Media Categories  
Twisted Pair Connectors  
Copper Media Types  
Wiring Differences  
Coaxial Cabling  
Demo - Media Types  
Fiber Optic Cabling  
Connection Options  
Fiber Optic Connectors  
Demo - Optical Cables and Connectors  
Media Converters  
Transceivers  
Demarcation Point  
Other LAN Components  
Wiring Individual Workstations  
Connecting Cables  
Punchdown Blocks  
Demo - LAN Wiring  
Topic B: Ports and Protocols  
Overview of TCP/IP  
TCP/IP Layers  
Core Protocols  
Transport Protocols  
Transmission Control Protocol  
User Datagram Protocol  
What is a Socket?  
Internet Layer  
Core Internet Layer Protocols  
IP Datagrams  
Application Layer  
Application Layer Protocols  
Well-Known Ports  
Demo - Ports and Protocols  
Topic C: IP Addressing  
Introduction to IP Addresses

Subnet Masks  
IPv4 Address Rules  
Valid Masks  
Default Gateway  
Demo - Working with Binary IP Addresses  
Demo - Configuring IP Addresses  
Address Categories  
Public vs. Private Addresses  
Classful Addressing  
Classless Addressing  
Demo - CIDR Notation  
Create IPv4 Subnets  
Simple Subnetting  
Complex Subnetting  
Demo - Creating Subnets  
Introduction to IPv6  
IPv6 Advantages  
IPv6 Addresses  
IPv6 Addressing  
Global Unicast  
Unique Local Unicast  
Link-Local Address  
Special Addresses  
Autoconfiguration in IPv6  
Demo - IPv6 Addressing  
Demo - Objective Check  
Chapter 2 Review

### **Chapter 3 - Network Infrastructure**

1h 55m

Network Infrastructure  
Topic A: Network Devices  
Common Network Devices  
Device Capabilities  
OSI / RM Layers and Devices  
Physical Devices  
Network Interface Cards  
Repeaters  
Repeater Types  
Hubs  
Data Link Filtering  
Network Bridge  
Switches  
Topic B: Network Switching  
Switch Categories  
Switch Characteristics  
Power over Ethernet  
Virtual Capabilities  
Virtual LAN (VLAN)  
Initial Switch Configuration  
Interface Configuration

Introduction to STP  
STP Port States  
RSTP Differences  
Understanding Trunking  
Trunking Protocols  
Additional Management for Switches  
Demo - Objective Check  
Topic C: Network Routing  
Layer 3 Functionality  
Routing Tables  
Demo - Routing Tables  
Network Segmentation Benefits  
Hardware vs. Software Routers  
Static vs. Dynamic Routing  
Routing Protocols  
Dynamic Routing  
What is a Metric?  
Distance Vector vs. Link State  
Path Vector  
Interior Routing Protocols  
Exterior Routing Protocols  
Routing Problems  
Topic D: Additional Network Devices  
Additional Network Devices  
VoIP Phones  
Load Balancers  
Traffic Shapers  
Intrusion Prevention Systems  
Firewalls  
Demo - Examining Firewalls  
Monitoring Devices  
Internet of Things (IoT)  
SCADA  
Internet Connectivity  
Wireless Devices  
Topic E: Datacenter Architecture  
Three-Tiered  
Access Layer  
Aggregation Layer  
Additional Designs  
Network Locations  
Software-Defined Networking  
Software-Defined Networking (cont.)  
Chapter 3 Review

#### **Chapter 4 - Network Implementations**

2h 50m

Network Implementations  
Topic A: Network Services  
Introducing DHCP  
DHCP Leases

Lease Renewal  
DHCP Server Placement  
DHCP Implementations  
DHCP Servers  
Demo - Configuring DHCP  
What is Name Resolution?  
Types of Names  
Introduction to DNS  
DNS Components  
Resource Records  
DNS Zones and Domains  
Name Resolution Process  
Types of Queries  
Demo - Configuring DNS  
Topic B: Wireless Implementations  
Wireless Networking Fundamentals  
Wireless Networking Fundamentals  
Types of Wireless  
Wireless Networking Components  
Demo - WAP Configuration  
Wireless Modes  
Wireless Devices  
Wireless Networking Standards  
802.11 Standards  
Enhancing Wireless Performance  
Wired Equivalent Privacy  
Wi-Fi Protected Access  
802.1x  
Demo - Configuring Security Options  
Planning Wireless Networks  
Choosing Antennas  
Antenna Types  
Wireless Channels  
Site Surveys  
Topic C: Remote Access  
Introduction to Remote Networking  
Remote Node  
Remote Desktop Control  
Remote Control Concepts  
Demo - Configuring Remote Control  
Understanding Authentication  
Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA)  
CHAP and MS-CHAP  
EAP and Other Authentication Protocols  
RADIUS  
What is a VPN?  
VPN Tunnel Types  
What is Encapsulation?  
VPN Components  
Encryption Types

VPN Concentrators  
VPN Protocols  
Demo - Creating and Configuring VPN Connections  
Topic D: Cloud and Virtualization  
What is Virtualization?  
Virtualization Benefits  
Virtual Machine Hosts  
Virtualization and Cloud Computing  
Demo - Virtualization Platforms  
Virtualization Components  
Demo - Create and Configure Virtual Machines  
Virtual Devices and Networks  
What is Cloud Computing?  
The Cloud Advantage  
Cloud Models  
Cloud Services Models  
Demo - Working in the Cloud  
Chapter 4 Review

## **Chapter 5 - Network Operations**

59m

Network Operations  
Topic A: Organizational Documents and Policies  
Organizational Documents and Policies  
Plans and Procedures  
Hardening and Security Policies  
Network Documentation  
Business Agreements  
Topic B: Network Monitoring  
Types of Monitoring  
Performance Baselines  
Monitoring Tools  
Network Monitoring Types  
Introduction to Network Tools  
Analyzing Traffic  
Interface Statistics  
Environmental Monitoring  
Using SYSLOG  
Network Device Logs  
Using SNMP  
SNMP Components  
SNMP Packet Types  
Monitoring Operating Systems  
Demo - Monitoring Operating Systems  
Performance Metrics and Sensors  
Patch Management  
Operating System Updates  
Updating Windows Systems  
Managing Network Devices  
Topic C: High Availability and Disaster Recovery  
Maintaining Business Continuity

Understanding High Availability  
High Availability Options  
Disaster Recovery  
Hardware Redundancy  
Facilities and Infrastructure  
High Availability Concepts  
Key Terms  
Chapter 5 Review

**Chapter 6 - Network Security**

1h 31m

Network Security  
Topic A: Network Security Fundamentals  
Introduction to Network Security  
The CIA Triad  
Network Threats  
Network Vulnerabilities  
Understanding Risk  
What is AAAA?  
Cryptography  
Algorithms and Keys  
Digital Signatures  
Best Practices for Permissions  
Best Practices for Employees  
Defense in Depth  
Topic B: Planning for Network Security  
Planning for Network Security  
Types of Threats  
Threat-Vulnerability Pairs  
Identifying Vulnerabilities  
Types of Vulnerabilities  
Mitigating Risks  
Risk Assessments  
Topic C: Identifying Threats and Vulnerabilities  
Threat Categories  
Introduction to Software Attacks  
Malicious Code Attacks  
Types of Malicious Code  
Network Threats  
Port Scanning and Eavesdropping  
IP Spoofing  
Denial of Service (DoS)  
On-path Attacks  
Human Attacks  
Wireless Vulnerabilities and Threats  
Topic D: Protecting the Network  
Protecting the Network  
Implementing Physical Protection  
Physical Security Options  
Anti-Malware  
Demo - Anti-Malware Options

Network Hardening  
Securing Network Communications  
Best Practices  
Demo - System Hardening  
Wireless Security  
Authentication  
Authentication Factors  
Network Access Control  
Chapter 6 Review

**Chapter 7 - Network Troubleshooting**

1h 6m

Network Troubleshooting  
Topic A: Troubleshooting Methodology  
Introduction to Troubleshooting  
Identifying the Issue  
Establish a Theory of Probable Cause  
Create an Action Plan  
Putting it All Together  
Topic B: Troubleshooting Tools  
Hardware Troubleshooting Tools  
Network Toolkit  
Software Toolkits  
OS Troubleshooting Tools  
Demo - TCP/IP Troubleshooting Tools  
Topic C: Troubleshooting Network Issues  
Introduction to Wireless Issues  
Wireless Signal Issues  
Troubleshooting Hardware and Configuration  
Wireless Security Issues  
Troubleshooting Wired Connectivity Issues  
Common Cable Issues  
Troubleshooting Network Service Issues  
Troubleshooting Security Issues  
Chapter 7 Review  
Course Closure

**Total Duration: 13h 19m**