

Network Warrior Everything you need to know that wasn't on the CCNA exam



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- The type of networks now in use, from LANs, WANs and MANs to CANs
- The OSI Model and the layers involved in sending data
- Hubs, repeaters, switches, and trunks in practice
- Auto negotiation and why it's a common problem in network slowdowns
- Route maps, routing protocols, and switching algorithms in Cisco routers
- The resilient Ethernet -- how to make things truly redundant
- Cisco 6500 multi-layer switches and the Catalyst 3750 switch
- Telecom nomenclature -- why it's different from the data world
- T1 and DS3
- Firewall theory, designing access lists, authentication in Cisco devices
- Server load balancing technology
- Content switch module in action
- Designing QOS and what QOS does not do
- IP design and subnetting made easy

The book also explains how to sell your ideas to management, how networks become a mess as a company grows, and why change control is your friend. Network Warrior will help network administrators and engineers win the complex battles they face every day.

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