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QUESTION 1
You have a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent customer support solution that retrieves grounding data from a shared vector index. The indexed corpus contains product runbooks in Markdown and support articles in HTML Both document types use a consistent hierarchical markup.

You discover that current fixed-size token chunking creates chunks that cross section boundaries.

You need to recommend a chunking approach for the ingestion pipeline. The solution must preserve existing document structure boundaries and minimize custom chunking code.

What should you recommend?

A. semantic chunking with topic-shift detection
B. format-specific chunking with header splitters
C. recursive character chunking with structure-aware separators
D. fixed-size chunking with token overlap

Answer: B
Explanation:
The best approach for your ingestion pipeline is format-specific chunking with header splitters (e.g., using tools like LangChain's MarkdownHeaderOutputParser or HTMLHeaderTextSplitter).

Preserves Structure Boundaries: Because both your document types use a consistent hierarchical markup (such as #, ##, ### in Markdown and <h1>, <h2>, <h3> in HTML), header splitters naturally divide the text exactly where a new section begins. This completely prevents chunks from crossing semantic boundaries.

Minimizes Custom Code: Popular orchestration frameworks provide these splitters out of the box. You do not need to write custom regular expressions or build parsing logic; you simply pass the text through the built-in format-specific header splitter.

Maintains Contextual Grounding: These splitters typically append the parent header metadata to each chunk. This ensures that when a multi-agent customer support solution retrieves a specific runbook step, the vector embedding and the text payload retain the context of which product or top-level category it belongs to.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/foundry/agents/how-to/tools/ai-search

QUESTION 2
Hotspot Question

You have a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent ticket triage system. Each agent uses an 80-example system prompt.

Evaluations reveal incorrect tool selection on multi-product tickets and the poor use of retrieved runbook snippets.

Reviewers have labeled final summaries for 2,000 tickets as either preferred or rejected. New ticket categories are added monthly.

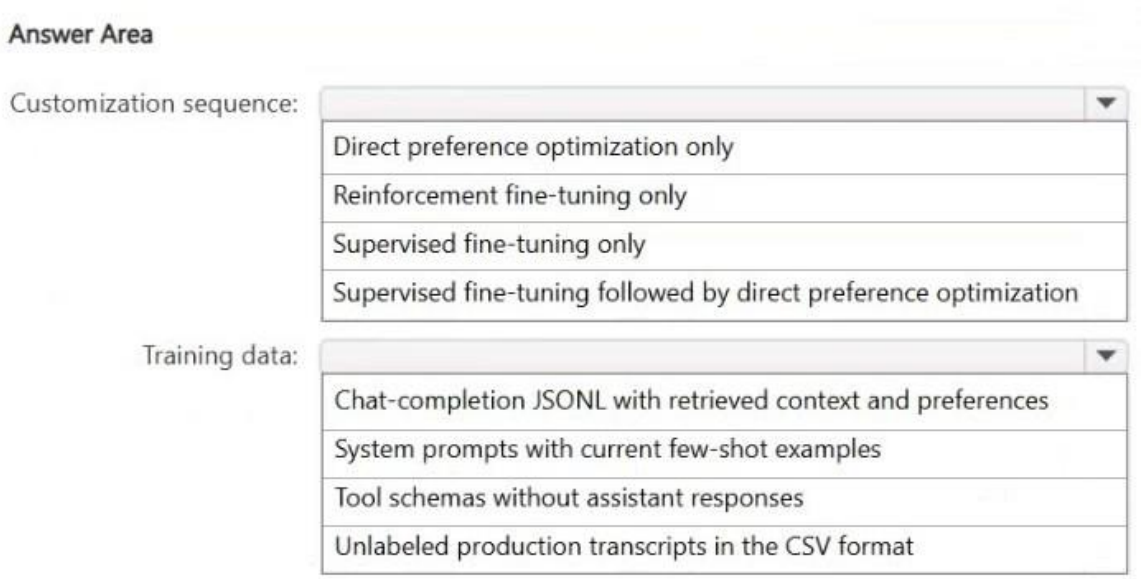
You need to recommend a fine-tuning strategy that meets the following requirements:

```
- Tunes final summaries based on reviews
```

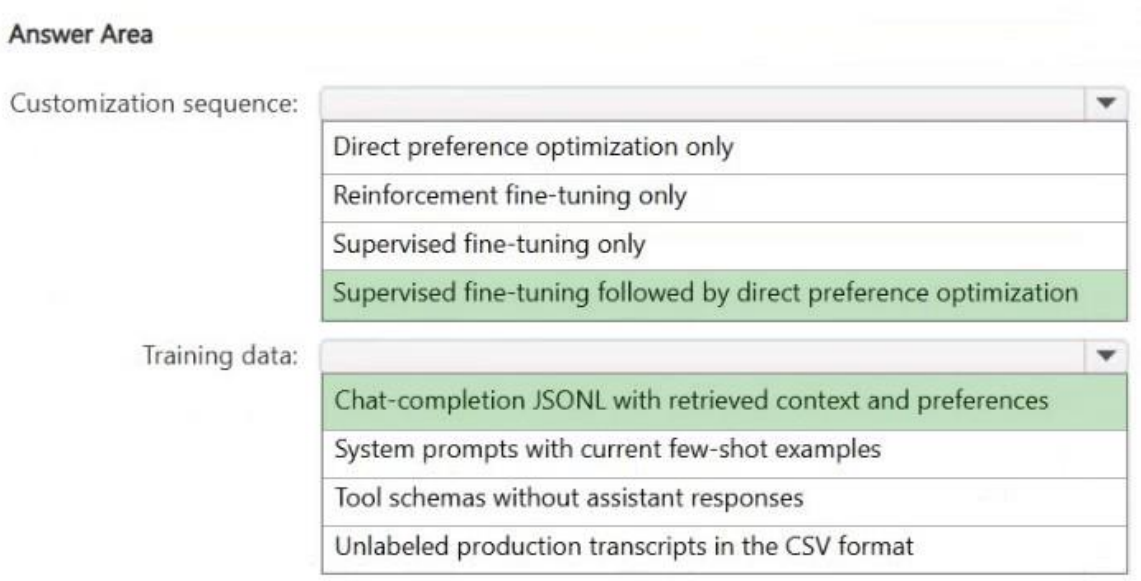
```
- Uses retrieved snippets only when relevant
- Minimizes prompt tokens
```

What should you recommend? To answer, select the appropriate options in the answer area.

NOTE: Each correct selection is worth one point.



Answer:



Explanation:
Box 1: Supervised fine-tuning followed by Direct Preference Optimization
A sequence of Supervised Fine-Tuning (SFT) followed by Direct Preference Optimization (DPO) is the ideal customization strategy for this Microsoft Foundry multi-agent system.

The system currently suffers from high prompt costs (due to the 80-example system prompts), poor context utilization (hallucinating or misusing runbooks), and alignment issues (rejected

summaries). Moving these behaviors from the prompt into the weights of the models will directly resolve these bottlenecks.

Box 2: Chat-completion JSONL with retrieved context and preference
The best training data for this fine-tuning strategy is Chat-completion JSONL with retrieved context and preference.

A Chat-completion JSONL format containing the conversation history, retrieved context, and human preference directly addresses all three of your requirements:

Summary Tuning: Including the "preferred" human-labeled summaries as the target assistant response trains the model to generate the exact style, tone, and quality reviewers expect, while filtering out or penalizing the "rejected" behaviors.

Context Relevance: By training on examples where retrieved snippets are either integrated (when relevant) or ignored/omitted (when irrelevant), the model learns the implicit logic of when and how to use runbook snippets based on the ticket context.

Token Minimization: Fine-tuning embeds the behavioral patterns, system instructions, and task formatting directly into the model's weights. This allows you to strip away most of the massive 80-example system prompt, drastically reducing input token overhead for every single production API call.

Reference:
https://techcommunity.microsoft.com/blog/azure-ai-foundry-blog/building-a-multimodal-multi-agent-system-using-azure-ai-agent-service-and-openai/4396267
https://aramradif.github.io/Multi-Agent-AI-Ticket-Triage-System-Microsoft-Foundry/

QUESTION 3
Hotspot Question

You have a Microsoft Foundry agent built by using LangGraph. The agent retrieves policy content from a vector store. The LangGraph orchestration runs in Azure Container Apps, and the operations team uses Azure Monitor to inspect agent runs.

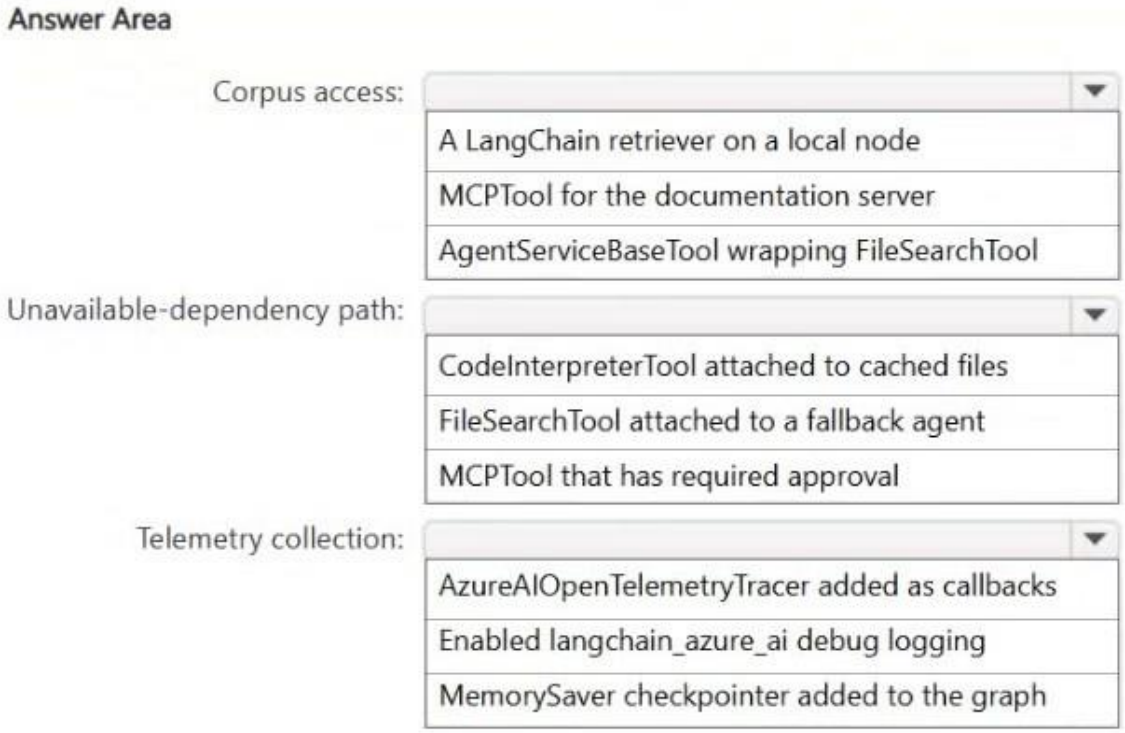
You discover that the vector store is sometimes unreachable during Azure regional maintenance windows.

You need to configure the tool ecosystem to ensure that the agent can answer policy questions during outages. The solution must meet the following requirements:

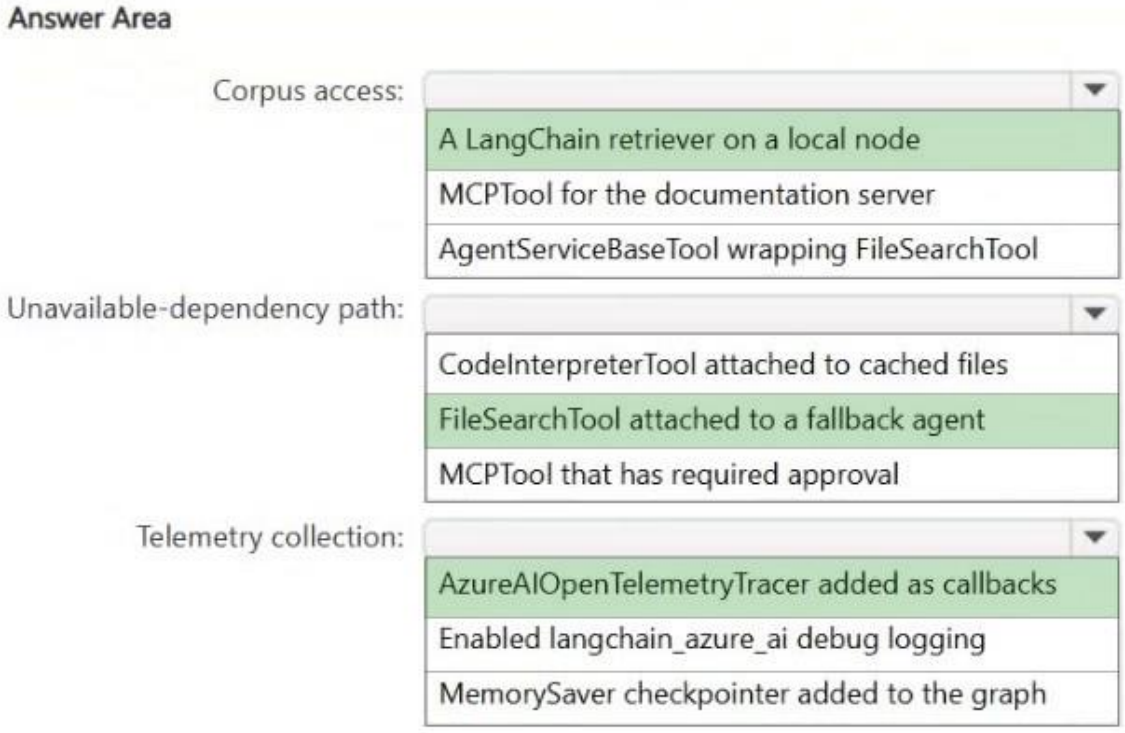
```
- Use the project vector store without adding a local retrieval node
for the primary path.
- Run the cached-policy lookup in the same compute environment as the
LangGraph code.
- Emit agent, model, and tool spans that can be inspected in Azure
Monitor.
```

How should you configure the tool ecosystem? To answer, select the appropriate options in the answer area.

NOTE: Each correct selection is worth one point.



Answer:



Explanation:
Box 1: A LangChain retriever on a local node

The best option to set up the tool to provide corpus access while meeting all three requirements is a LangChain retriever on a local node, specifically, using a local tool/retriever implementation via langchain_azure_ai.

Primary path uses vector store without a local retrieval node
Met. The primary path directly queries the project vector store (e.g., Azure AI Search) via a retriever.

Backup/Cached lookup runs in the same compute environment
Met. Local tools/nodes run colocated in the same compute environment (Azure Container Apps) where your LangGraph code is executing. You can conditionally route to a fallback file-cache node.

Emits agent, model, and tool spans to Azure MonitorMet. The langchain-azure-ai tracer emits OpenTelemetry spans for agent execution, model calls, tool execution, and retrieval operations directly to Application Insights.

Box 2: FileSearchTool attached to a fallback agent
The best configuration choice to meet all requirements is a FileSearchTool attached to a fallback agent.

Primary Path Vector Store: The primary path will naturally route queries to the Microsoft Foundry project vector store via the standard FileSearchTool. There is no need to add a local retrieval node for the primary execution branch.

Co-located Execution: The LangChain retriever is already configured on a local node. In the langchain-azure-ai ecosystem, local tools run colocated inside the exact same compute environment (Azure Container Apps) where the LangGraph orchestration code executes.

Azure Monitor Spans: The fallback path leverages standard agent logic and OpenTelemetry-instrumented nodes. When configured with the Microsoft OpenTelemetry distribution (langchain-azure-ai), node transitions, model calls, and local tool executions automatically emit rich end-to-end spans into Azure Monitor Application Insights.

Box 3: AzureAI OpenTelemetry Traces added as callbacks
To best set up telemetry collection according to the requirements, you should use the AzureAIOpenTelemetryTracer added as callbacks.

Configure OpenTelemetry for Azure Monitor
To fulfill the third requirement you must instrument your LangChain and LangGraph application using OpenTelemetry. This automatically registers and links spans for your graph nodes, model invocations, and your custom fallback tool (policy_retrieval_tool), streaming them directly to Azure Application Insights.

Incorrect:
Enabling langchain_azure_ai debug logging will only output flat text strings into standard logs. It completely fails the third requirement because logging cannot generate the structured parent-child agent, model, and tool spans required for visual inspection in Azure Monitor.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/foundry/how-to/develop/langchain-agents

QUESTION 4
You have a Microsoft Foundry project that processes customer requests through several stages: A routing agent receives investigation requests, delegates calculations to a data analysis agent

that can use Code Interpreter, and delegates source-grounded summaries to a literature review agent.

You discover the following issues:

- Tasks are sometimes routed to the incorrect agent.
- The format of the final response is inconsistent.

You need to ensure that compound requests are routed consistently, and the final response is in a consistent format. The solution must meet the following requirements:

- Minimize changes to the application code.
- Apply to every future conversation handled by the agents.
- Clarify the expected behavior for representative compound inputs.

Which prompt design should you implement?

A. Add per-request prompt cues that provide JSON openers section labels, and final-answer prefixes.
B. Add repository-wide constraints that list approved agent names, tool names, and response rules.
C. Add system-level role instructions that define agent domains, task boundaries, and response objectives.
D. Add few-shot instruction examples that cover routing decisions and schema-compliant final outputs.

Answer: C
Explanation:
To address the routing errors and inconsistent response formats with minimal changes to your application code, the most effective solution is to update the system prompts of your agents. By shifting the routing logic and formatting rules into the LLM system instructions, you ensure the behavior applies universally to all future conversations without rewriting your orchestration layer.

To resolve both routing errors and inconsistent final responses while strictly minimizing application code changes, you can inject comprehensive system-level role instructions directly into the Microsoft Foundry agent prompts. Because the platform evaluates conversations using the agents' instruction profiles, updating the system instructions applies to all future conversations globally without touching your hosted application backend code.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/foundry/agents/how-to/structured-inputs

QUESTION 5
Hotspot Question

You have a Microsoft Foundry claims-assistance solution that includes a primary claims agent and three specialist agents. The primary claims agent invokes the specialist agents.

You need to recommend a coordination approach. The solution must meet the following requirements:

```
- The primary claims agent must retain ownership of the task and
synthesize the final response.
- The specialist agents must have a least-privilege view of the claim
for their assigned work.
```

What should you recommend? To answer, select the appropriate options in the answer area.

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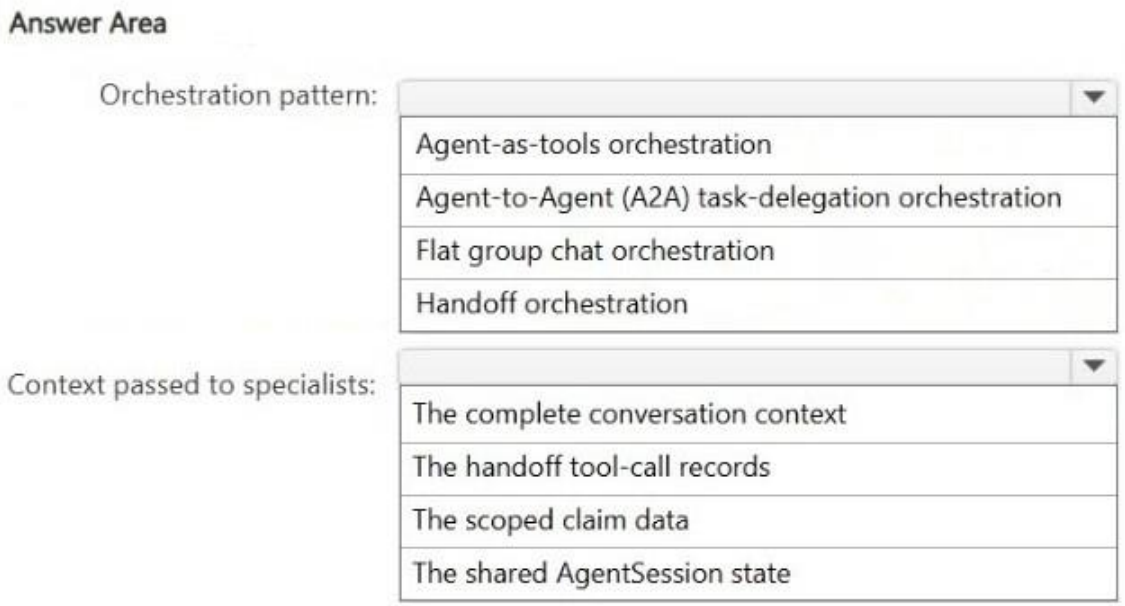
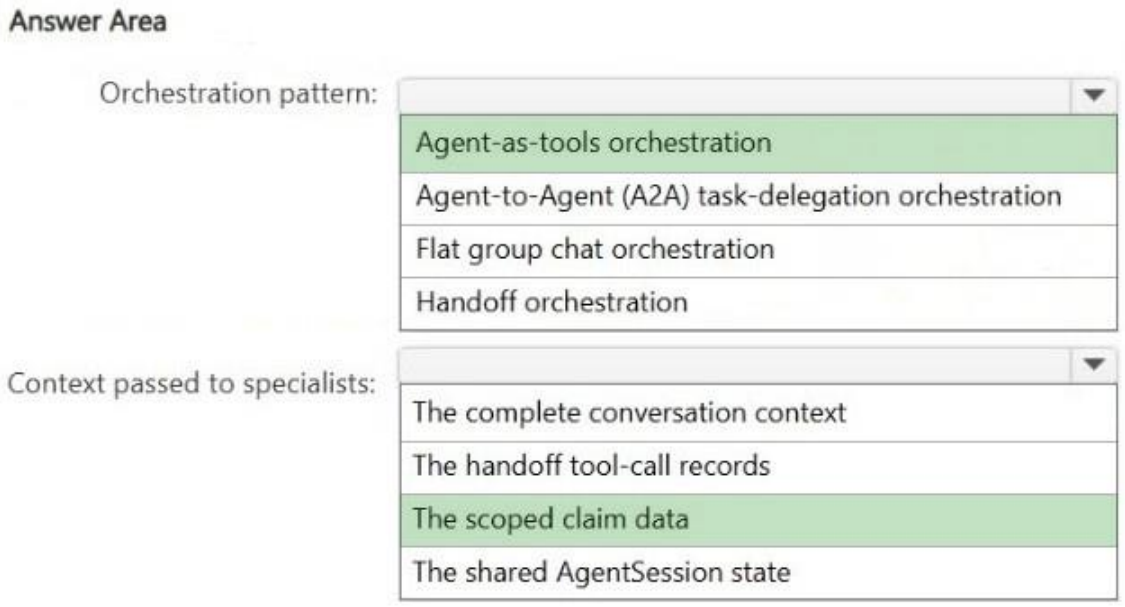


Answer:



Explanation:
Box 1: Agent-as-tools orchestration
The best orchestration pattern to use to meet the requirements is Agent-as-tools orchestration.

Retention of Task Ownership: In an Agent-as-tools design, the primary agent acts as a supervisor or coordinator. It retains full, ultimate responsibility for the conversation and task execution. It

treats the specialist agents as functions or callable tools rather than independent conversational entities.

Control Flow & Synthesis: Once a specialist agent completes its sub-task, control is automatically and strictly returned back to the primary agent. This guarantees that the primary agent gathers all the necessary expert data and seamlessly synthesizes the final comprehensive response for the user.

Box 2: The scoped claim data
Only the specific claim subset relevant to that agent's task should be passed as context to each specialist agent.To satisfy the least-privilege requirement, you should avoid passing the full claim context or a universal claim identifier that allows unrestricted data fetching. Instead, use a Hub-and-Spoke coordination approach with data masking or payload minimization.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/agent-framework/workflows/orchestrations/handoff

QUESTION 6
You need to recommend a knowledge integration design for a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent solution. The agents answer questions by using shared documentation. The solution must meet the following requirements:

```
- Updates must be available from a single maintained knowledge layer.
- Retrieval responses must include citations and query details.
- Content must support natural-language queries.
```

Users will ask the agents complex conversational questions. The questions will include follow-up context and terminology that does NOT always match the wording in the documentation.

Which knowledge type should you recommend?

A. File
B. Fabric IQ (OneLake Catalog)
C. Azure AI Search Index
D. Work IQ

Answer: C
Explanation:
To meet your requirements for a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent system, an Azure AI Search Index using Hybrid Search (Vector + Keyword) with Semantic Ranking is the best knowledge configuration.

This approach acts as your centralized, single-source knowledge layer while natively handling the linguistic gaps between your users and your documentation.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/cloud-adoption-framework/ai-agents/build-secure-process

QUESTION 7
You have a Microsoft Agent Framework multi-agent solution that calls Microsoft Foundry specialists agents.

You need to recommend a testing approach that runs on every pull request in a CI/CD pipeline to

verify whether the specialist agents select the correct tool and correctly parse the tool results. The solution must meet the following requirements:

```
- Be deterministic.
- Run on every commit.
- NOT call live Foundry models to prevent costs and latency.
```

What should you recommend?

A. unit tests that inject a mock chat client with fixed responses and asserts
B. automated evaluations that use an LLM-as-a-judge
C. unit tests that inject a live chat client and overwrites the response with fixed asserts
D. integration tests that run the agent against Model Context Protocol (MCP) tools

Answer: A
Explanation:
The best approach for your requirements is unit tests that inject a mock chat client with fixed responses and asserts.

100% Deterministic: Because the LLM's responses are completely mocked with static text/JSON payloads, the test will behave exactly the same way every time it runs. This eliminates the flaky test issues inherent to LLM-as-a-judge approaches.

Zero Live Model Costs & Low Latency: By bypassing live endpoints (like Microsoft Foundry), the tests execute in milliseconds locally or within a standard GitHub Actions or CI/CD runner without consuming API tokens.

Targeted Verification: You can specifically structure the mock chat client's response to output a tool-call payload. This directly verifies if your agent framework correctly routes the request to the intended specialist tool and handles/parses the simulated tool output when it returns to the agent loop.

Reference:
https://medium.com/@dilawar.yadav/building-and-testing-agentic-ai-solutions-with-the-microsoft-agent-framework-e2e5b3a8007f

QUESTION 8
Hotspot Question

You have a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent solution. The agents contain the CI/CD evaluation gates shown in the following table.

Name	Pass criteria
RelevanceGate	Every item category equals ticketCategory. Every item confidence is at least 0.80.
CompletenessGate	data.items contains at least two items
PolicyGate	metadata.endpointHost equals requiredSourceHost. metadata.contentSafety equals passed. metadata.dlp equals passed.
SchemaGate	resultId is a UUID. sourceTool is a string. data.items is an array. Every item contains title, summary, category, sourceUri, and confidence.

You call one of the agents by using the request context in the evaluation process as shown in the following table.

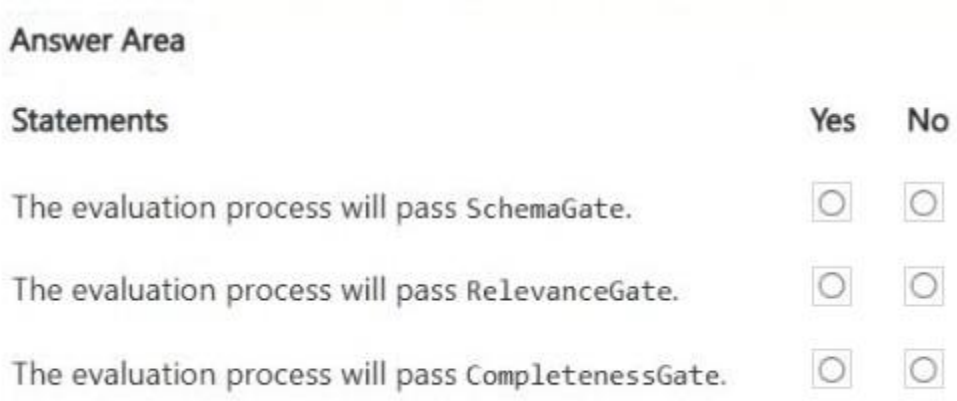
Field	Value
ticketCategory	VPN
requiredSourceHost	kb.contoso.com
mandatoryChecks	SchemaGate, RelevanceGate, CompletenessGate, PolicyGate

The agent receives the following results for the tool.

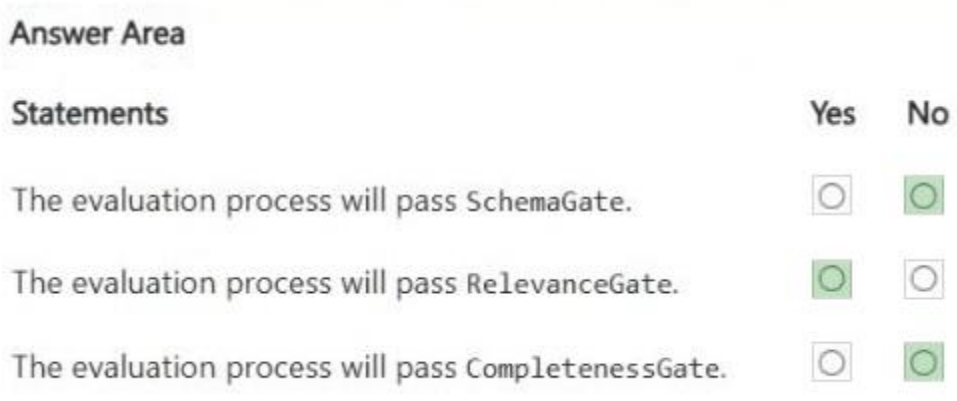
```
{
  "resultId": "36d1f7d4-1f0b-4f6d-80aa-66c4e9b6dd01",
  "sourceTool": "KBSearch",
  "data": {
    "items": [
      {
        "title": "Reset the VPN client profile",
        "summary": "Steps for removing and recreating a VPN client profile.",
        "category": "VPN",
        "sourceUri": "https://kb.contoso.com/articles/vpn-reset",
        "confidence": 0.87
      }
    ]
  },
  "metadata": {
    "endpointHost": "kb.contoso.com",
    "contentSafety": "passed",
    "dlp": "passed"
  }
}
```

For each of the following statements, select Yes if the statement is true. Otherwise, select No.

NOTE: Each correct selection is worth one point.



Answer:



Explanation:
Box 1: No
No, the evaluation process will fail SchemaGate.

While SchemaGate requires several checks, it specifically fails on the property requirements for the items within the data array.

Missing continue property: SchemaGate explicitly states that every item must contain five fields: title, summary, category, sourceUri, and continue. The item provided in the tool response is completely missing the continue field.

Box 2: Yes
Yes, the evaluation process will pass RelevanceGate.

Criterion 1: Every item category equals ticketCategory (VPN)
Result: Pass. The single item in the data has "category": "VPN", which matches the requested TicketCategory value of VPN.

Criterion 2: Every Item confidence is at least 0.80
Result: Pass. The item has a "confidence": 0.87, which is greater than 0.80.

Box 3: No
CompletenessGate Fails: It requires at least two items, but the tool result only contains one item.

Reference:
https://techcommunity.microsoft.com/blog/educatordeveloperblog/cicd-for-ai-agents-on-microsoft-foundry/4522218

QUESTION 9
You have retrieval evaluation results for a Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)-enabled search system. The same query set and human relevance labels are used for each candidate.

You test various search configurations and receive the results shown in the following table.

Configuration	Chunking	Embeddings recomputed	Precision@10	Recall@10	Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR)
Baseline	Fixed 512 tokens, 10% overlap	Yes	0.64	0.71	0.68
Candidate 1	Fixed 512 tokens, 10% overlap	Yes	0.82	0.55	0.74
Candidate 2	Fixed 512 tokens, 10% overlap	Yes	0.43	0.88	0.58
Candidate 3	Fixed 768 tokens, 15% overlap	No	0.49	0.60	0.46
Candidate 4	Fixed 512 tokens, 10% overlap	Yes	0.76	0.79	0.81

Which configuration provides the most reliable results?

A. Candidate 1
B. Candidate 2
C. Candidate 3
D. Candidate 4

Answer: D
Explanation:
Configuration Candidate 4 gives the most reliable and balanced results among all the candidates.

When evaluating retrieval for a Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) system, we look for a configuration that achieves high Precision@10 (ensuring the top results are highly relevant to avoid LLM hallucination) and high Recall@10 (ensuring the system doesn't miss critical context), while maximizing the Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR) (ensuring the most relevant documents are ranked at the very top).

Superior Ranking (MRR of 0.81): Candidate 4 places the most relevant documents closer to the first slot than any other configuration. This is crucial for RAG, as LLMs pay the most attention to information placed at the beginning of the context window.

Strong Harmonic Balance: While Candidate 1 has slightly higher precision and Candidate 2has slightly higher recall, they both suffer from extreme trade-offs. Candidate 4 significantly improves both metrics compared to the baseline, retrieving mostly relevant documents (76%) while capturing the vast majority of total relevant context (79%).

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/fabric/data-science/tutorial-evaluate-rag-performance

QUESTION 10
You have a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent solution. The solution includes an orchestrator agent that sends a mix of simple requests, reasoning-heavy tasks, and tool-calling workflows to a single premium model deployment.

Response quality is acceptable, but costs are too high, and latency varies significantly across requests.

You need to recommend a solution to reduce token utilization based on the complexity of the user input.

What should you include in the recommendation?

A. a flagship model
B. structured outputs
C. model router
D. Prompt Optimizer

Answer: C
Explanation:
To optimize token utilization, reduce fluctuating latency, and lower your operational costs based on the complexity of your inputs, you should use the Model Router component.

Instead of defaulting every conversation turn to your premium model deployment, you change the agent's base model to a model-router deployment. The Model Router evaluates each incoming request at inference time and intelligently distributes the tasks to a pool of models:
Cost and Token Efficiency: Simple requests are automatically offloaded to fast, inexpensive models (like lightweight frontier variants), completely bypassing the premium tier and conserving your token usage.

Stabilized Latency: By avoiding processing basic prompts on reasoning-heavy premium models, simple responses return significantly faster, normalizing average latency metrics across different query shapes.

Tool and Reasoning Awareness: The router is engineered for agentic workflows. It detects complex reasoning tasks and tool-calling structures, and seamlessly switches the request to your premium deployment only when high-level capability is strictly required.

Zero Logic Overhead: You do not need to hardcode a triage or classification loop within your orchestrator agent; the routing handles itself dynamically beneath the API layer.

Reference:
https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/foundry/openai/how-to/model-router-agents

QUESTION 11
Note: This question is part of a series of questions that present the same scenario. Each question in the series contains a unique solution that might meet the stated goals. Some question sets might have more than one correct solution, while others might not have a correct solution.

After you answer a question in this section, you will NOT be able to return to it. As a result, these questions will not appear in the review screen.

You need to deploy a Microsoft Foundry multi-agent solution by using a CI/CD pipeline. The pipeline must meet the following requirements:

```
- Define the Azure infrastructure as code (IaC) and preview changes
before applying the changes.
- Ensure that agents meet quality metrics before deployment.
```

Solution: You configure a pipeline that runs a Bicep deployment in incremental mode, and then a Foundry evaluation that logs a warning.

Does this meet the goal?

A. Yes
B. No

Answer: B
Explanation:
Correct:
* You configure a pipeline that runs a Bicep what-if operation, and then an automated Foundry evaluation gate before promotion.

1. Previewing Azure Infrastructure Changes (IaC Requirement)
To meet the first requirement, implement a pre-deployment step utilizing the Bicep CLI's native what-if operations. This allows you to audit resource creation, modifications, or deletions before mutating the environment.

2. Evaluating Agent Quality Metrics (Quality Gate Requirement)
To meet your second requirement, establish a hard continuous integration gate. Do not deploy updated agent code to the target runtime until it achieves acceptable accuracy, safety, and performance scores.

Incorrect:
* You configure a pipeline that runs a Bicep deployment, and then an automated Foundry evaluation gate before promotion.
* You configure a pipeline that runs a Bicep deployment in incremental mode, and then a Foundry evaluation that logs a warning.
* You configure a pipeline that runs a Bicep what-if operation, and then a Foundry evaluation that logs a warning.

Reference:
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