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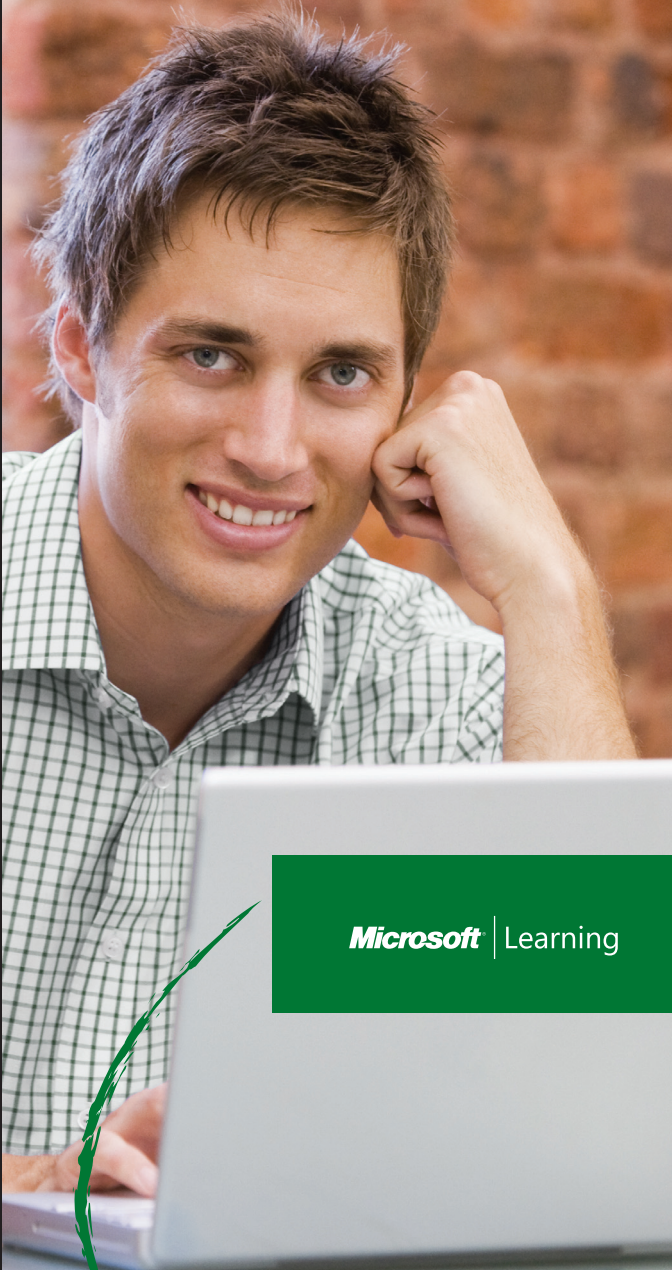**40%** PROOF POINT NO. 53:
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