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Term	Definition
activity	A single task in a runbook that performs a specific function.
check in	To save the changes in a runbook to the database.
check out	To allow edits to a runbook.
counter	A global integer variable that is used in a runbook.
data bus	A mechanism in Orchestrator that passes information from one activity in a runbook to another activity.
instance	A unique occurrence of a runbook that is running on a runbook server.
integration pack	A collection of custom activities that is specific to a product or a technology.
IP	See Other Term: integration pack
job	A request to run a runbook.
junction	A runbook activity that synchronizes multiple branches of a runbook.
management server	The communication layer between the Runbook Designer and the deployment manager to the database.
monitor	An activity that continuously runs and that initiates a runbook when the monitor matches the criteria that you specify.
OIT	See Other Term: Orchestrator Integration Toolkit

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Orchestration console	A web-based console that you can use to start, stop, and view information about runbooks.
orchestration database	The Oracle or SQL Server database where configuration information, runbooks, and logs are stored.
Orchestrator Integration Toolkit	A set of software tools that you can use to create custom integration packs.
Published Data	The data that is published to the databus from each activity in a runbook.
runbook	The sequence of activities that orchestrate actions on computers and networks.
Runbook Designer	The tool that is used by designers to create, modify, and deploy runbooks.
runbook server	The server that runs the service that manages runbooks and communicates with the orchestration database.
Runbook Tester	The tool that is used to test and validate runbooks.
schedule	The global settings that you can use to define a set of date and time criteria for a runbook.
smart link	The connection between two activities in a runbook.
standard activity	The set of activities that is included with the standard installation of Orchestrator.
subscribe	To request data from the data bus.
variable	A global value that is used to define a frequently used setting, such as a directory path to common files or server names.