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Cracking the Code: Understanding Cloud Pricing and Billing Models

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers may vary but should discuss flexibility, cost predictability, and scalability with the "Pay-as-You-Go" model.
2. Answers may discuss the shift from traditional IT infrastructure to cloud services, the growth of cloud providers, and the evolution of pricing models to cater to diverse users.
3. Challenges may include cost monitoring, optimizing resource usage, and avoiding data egress charges. Strategies may involve cost analysis, resource scaling, and utilizing data transfer services.
4. Organizations can balance data mobility and egress charges by optimizing data transfer methods, using content delivery networks (CDNs), and monitoring data usage to minimize costs.

