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# success strategies for mainframe application modernization

#### Build your business case and get buy-in.

Craft a comprehensive business blueprint that outlines the intended benefits. Success tip: Foster buy-in from both IT and business executives.

#### Plan for incremental modernization phases.

Segment your modernization strategy into phases. Mission-critical systems can't afford downtime, and incremental modernization efforts gradually update and improve specific components necessary to keep pace with evolving business needs.

## Address your stickiest problems with both off-the-shelf and custom solutions.

Collaborate with application modernization experts to seamlessly blend prebuilt solutions and tailored offerings, helping you efficiently address your distinctive requirements while optimizing costs.

#### Expect changes in technology and user expectations.

Proactively plan for further updates and supplementary development efforts. This pre-planning will help you save time and effectively use resources as you progress through your modernization journey.

#### Prepare your organization for change.

Employ an assessment framework for valuable insights into your organization's present state, revealing gaps across people, processes and technology. This will help create a well-defined roadmap for progressing toward future goals.

#### Fortify your mission-critical systems.

Extend the life of your systems of record by maintaining the functionalities of your original system while benefiting from the modernized components in parallel. Doing so will set your organization up to streamline the overall effort, reduce risk and accelerate the modernization process.

Ready to modernize your mission-critical ecosystems to meet today's business needs? Learn more here.

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