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Microsoft Windows Server 2008 promises to supercharge enterprise computing by providing a solid foundation to support critical workloads and deliver rich Web-based experiences—all in an exceptionally secure, industry-standard operating environment. Dell smooths the way by providing business-ready platforms optimized for Windows Server 2008 together with Structured Solution Designs to make the migration flexible, simple, and green.

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