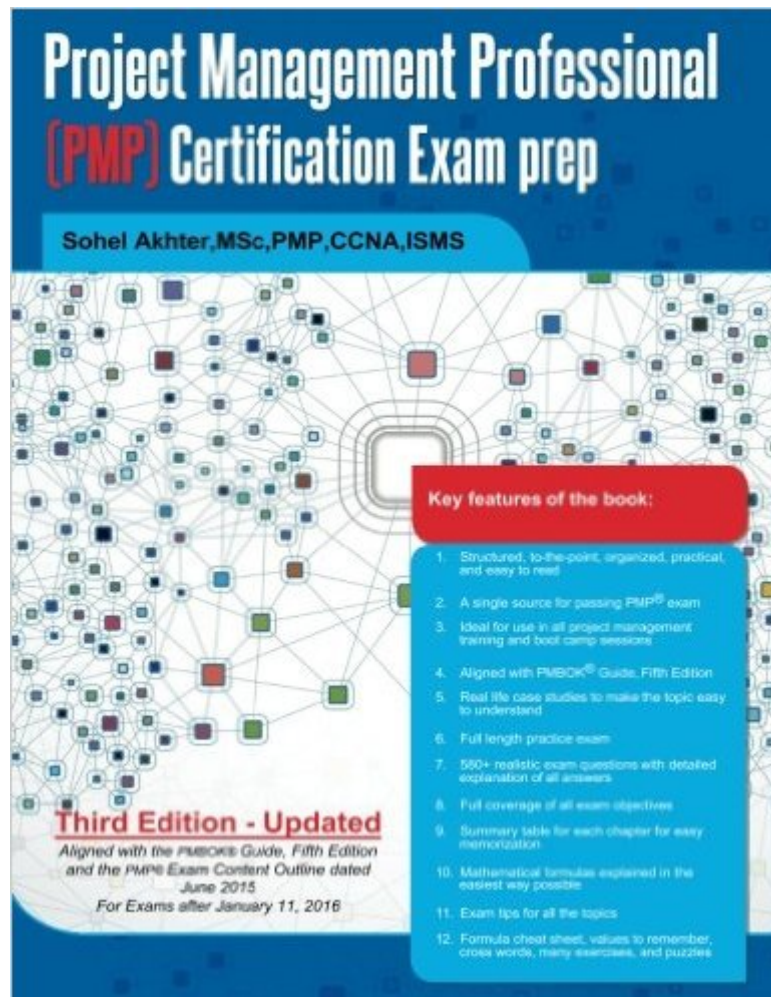


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First have to confess that I didn't use his book alone but also attended one of his week long courses in NYC but those are just a flood of information while the book was key. It's laid very systematically to take you through all the knowledge areas and every input/output/tools and techniques. Everything you need to know for the test can be found here in a well written layout but the REAL GEM are his review questions. In doing my final prep for the test I was using additional online practice tests and

was concerned at how different (longer!) these questions were. I actually had trouble answering those other sample questions! I wondered what style the actual test questions would be like and to my utter relief they were JUST LIKE THESE! That means I went through several hundred PMP realistic questions in this prep book multiple times until I felt comfortable. Sitting for the exam today wasn't a breeze. I only had 30 minutes left to review marked questions but I know I wouldn't have done nearly as well as I did (3 moderately proficient and 2 proficient) without this study guide. Now, for a couple of suggestions that I think would make it even better. 1. Have a set of dedicated questions that are ONLY about Input/Output/T&T steps. Super simple to give you a shot at really feeling like you've got all 500+ understood. That was a ton of information that was super important but I didn't feel 100% confident (or even 80%). 2. In the answer key, identify which knowledge area the question is weighted against. Since the PMP only gives you a breakdown against those areas, it would be nice to have a quick reference when you're reviewing the answers. 3. And finally, I see a really valuable app here. I assume that he's already thinking about that (I hope!) but these questions would be so great on your phone so you could study anywhere. If you're trying to pick a text, you won't be let down with this one. It's useful, complete and ACCURATE! And like the title says, I never picked up PMBOK and turns out I didn't need too.

I Recently took the PMP boot camp organized by the Technical Institute of America (TIA), New York (Feb 3rd - 7th, 2014). I thought I could write and give my written appreciation for this excellent training program. Many of the PMP aspirants would be seeking for a PMP crash course. This is the program that you should look for. The course teacher was none other than Sohail Akhter himself, the author of this volume. He was an excellent teacher. I have attended the PMP intro training in many places in the past. Sohail's training was the epitome. It is not just my opinion and there was a general consensus among the class members that I discussed with, during post training session. He was able to give the essence of what is needed, tirelessly covered all the materials few times, until everyone understood the concepts. Above all he was a patient listener and he never got angry or upset when the same question was asked again and again for clarification. He was very helpful in this regard clarifying everyone's doubt and satisfy their needs and wants. As I have gone through few books regarding PMP exam (Headfirst, Andy Crowe, Rita Mulcahy, Kim Heldman and few others). Having gone through various books, I could persuasively argue that Sohail's approach to the subject was unique and point to the core. For example, Rita's book is nice and rated highly among other fellow PMP enthusiasts. However, if they happen to see Sohail's book, they might have to change their idea about this. Rita's book is a way too wordy that either you might miss out

important information or you have to look hard for it. It can be tiring sometime or tiresome to read that you wouldn't have time to read or go through the material properly. On the contrary, in Soheli's book is simple and straightforward, every concept is explained very clearly and all the materials are laid out properly. The questions in Rita's volume is good, more like what someone would expect from a PMP exam. However, Soheli's questions are much better and harder. If you could train, understand, and learn how to deal with it, it will help to pass the PMP exam with much ease. Additionally, Soheli's book contains exam simulation questions at the end of the volume along with the formula cheat sheets and a glossary. This makes it a perfect companion for anyone preparing for the PMP exam. I would rate this volume very highly!

This book has been by my side for the last 4 months and I don't think I'd be writing this (after passing today) had I not used it. I attended the Rebus PMP boot camp 18 months ago and was given a copy of this book as well as the laminated "cheat sheet". I was so comfortable with the material that I wound up buying the flash cards too (but now what do I do with them)! I committed to this book (as it was all I had) and honestly never once looked at the PMBOK. I wasn't a PMI member until I registered for the test and by that time this had become my PMP bible. I did EXACTLY what he tells you to do. I went through the book twice (as suggested), answered every fill in the blank question and every chapter test question, probably about 350 total. THEN I took the 4 hour, 200 question final exam in the back of the book (about a week ago) and scored about 85% on my first (and only) time through it. I then "bought access" to a popular PM simulator web site and took 3 MORE 4 hour tests this past week and consistently scored above 85% in those as well. I just cannot imagine having gone to that exam today without having taken those practice exams!! The bottom line here is that the ONLY reference material I used was Soheli's book. In my opinion, after my brief one day old certification, is that if you can answer all 30 questions at the end of every chapter at a rate of 85% after the SECOND time through and then take the final (in the book) and get 85%, then you're ready. The hard part is not taking the final after the first time through and reading the material (which you've no doubt highlighted) again. That's what was suggested to me so that's what I did and I passed today with (3) MP's and (2) P's (proficient). Oh, another tip, those exam folks LOVE the Project charter and also Risk! Thanks Soheli!! ChrisChicago

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