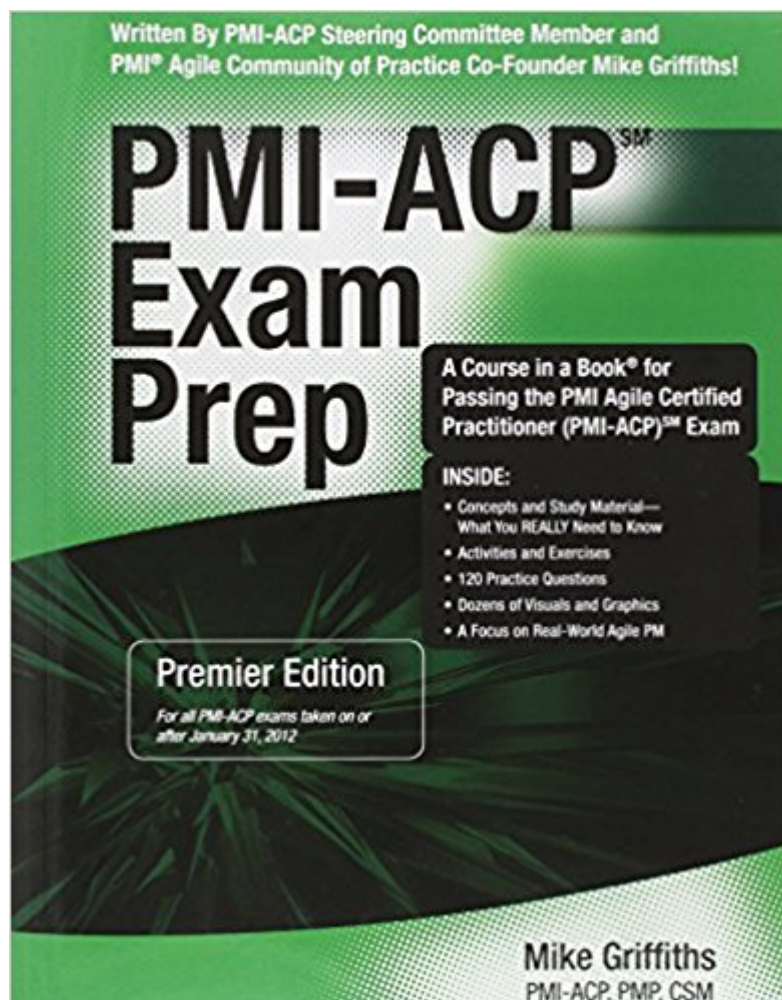




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PMI-ACP Exam Prep, Premier Edition: A Course In A Book For Passing The PMI Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP) Exam



Synopsis

Written by Mike Griffiths, PMI Agile Certified Practitioner and original member of the PMI-ACP Steering Committee, PMI-ACP Exam Prep, Premier Edition is specifically written for people who plan to sit for the PMI-ACP examination. Features of this worldwide best-selling resource include the following:

- Practice exam questions, over 100 throughout the book.
- Dozens of visuals and graphics for concept explanation.
- Identification of exam significance for each Agile topic.
- A focus on real-world Agile project issues.
- Exclusive exercises and Tricks of the Trade.

If you're looking to pass the PMI-ACP exam on your first attempt, this book is a required part of your study plan.

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Customer Reviews

As one of the authors of the Agile Manifesto, I am delighted to see this book by Mike Griffiths. It is great that such an exam guide was prepared by someone with a deep understanding of both project management and Agile development. Personally, I hope that everyone reads this book, not just to pass the PMI-ACP exam, but to learn Agile development safely and effectively! Dr. Alistair Cockburn, Manifesto for Agile Software Development Co-Author, International Consortium for Agile Co-Founder, and Current Member of the PMI-ACP Steering Committee --Publisher

This is a VERY enjoyable book to read, due to Mike's firm grasp of the underlying concepts of Agile, and his articulate and entertaining writing style. My favorite part is the fact that it is organized into a framework that helps all of the Agile concepts hang together, so they will be easier to recall when

taking the PMI-ACP exam. But Mike's book is more than just the best PMI-ACP prep book out there. It is also the best consolidated source of Agile knowledge, tools, and techniques available today. Even if you are not planning on sitting for the PMI-ACP exam in the near future you need to buy this book, read it, and keep it as a reference for how to responsibly be Agile! --Dennis Stevens, PMI-ACP Steering Committee Member, PMI Agile Community of Practice Council Leader, and Partner at Leading Agile

Mike Griffiths is a world-renowned project manager, trainer, consultant and writer, holding multiple project management and Agile-related certifications. Mike was on the original PMI-ACP Steering Committee, which defined the agile-related knowledge, skills, tools and techniques to be tested by the PMI-ACP exam. He is also currently helping to create the new PMBOK Guide, as well as the Software Extension to the PMBOK Guide. Mike frequently presents at PMI Global Congress conferences, and teaches a 2-day Agile Project Management course for the Project Management Institute (PMI) as part of their traveling Seminars World program. He also helped start the PMI Agile Community of Practice, which is now the largest PMI community in existence. Mike helped create the agile method DSDM (Dynamic Systems Development Method) and has been using agile methods including FDD, Scrum and XP for the last 17 years. Mike also served on the Board of Directors for the Agile Alliance and the Agile Project Leadership Network (APLN). In addition to extensive Agile methods experience, Mike is very active in traditional project management, holding both the PMP and PRINCE2 certifications.

I passed first try! Very involved, and really helps open your mind to be able to pass and teach out afterwards. Month after I passed, got a job for one of the hottest growing companies in the state and globally recognized. It's not about just rushing through the book either. It's really a journey in your learning and mindset, there are so many people out there learning the wrong stuff or rushing their learning for certifications. I took 5 months before I took test. I started a study group with other interested, already certified, and Agile mindset people. I used techniques as I learned them only if they solve the solution. I didn't use anything else (that tends to be a major question for people). Good luck!

My company embraced Agile about three years ago and we all learned the practices of Scrum as a team in group training and some great coaching from our department managers. I wanted to take to earn this certification but was a bit concerned about preparing for the exam with a boot camp class

or study group. I purchased this book and after looking over the content decided to submit my application. I then noticed that there was an Exam simulator that accompanied the book. I ended up buying the combo package that included the book, hot topics and exam simulator. I gave the extra book to a coworker. Besides the initial hours taken to satisfy my education requirements, this was the only source I used to study. I found that my work experience with Scrum was very helpful, and as soon as I separated the few things that we did that weren't "textbook" then I was comfortable with that information. This book helped me learn or remember the XP, Lean and Kanban principals needed for the exam. That being said, the test questions were very situational. They come from the perspective of the Product Owner, the Scrum Master and whoever is doing the release planning. I found that the questions in the exam simulator prepared me more for the actual exam than the test questions at the end of each chapter. I did study over a period of six weeks and took each of the exams by domain until I reached a score of 85 on each one.

Mike has done a great job pulling together material to prep for the PMI-ACP test. Many have stated that they believe it covers around 90% of the material needed for the test, where I would push that number higher. I can't recall one question in the test that was not covered in some form or fashion in the book. That being said, the test doesn't ask most questions directly (what are the 4 Values or 12 principles), but instead asks more situational questions where you have to apply the art of "being Agile". From this angle, Mike does a GREAT job of getting you prepared for the exam. Thanks for all the work put into this book. VERY HELPFUL!!!!

Fantastic prep book for the PMI-ACP exam. Although the ACP was not as rigorous as the PMP I found it challenging in a different way. I highly recommend this book to anyone interested in passing the exam on the first attempt. I read it 3 times, used index cards to group the major ideas and did some mind-mapping of the processes in the book in order to have a better handle on the material. I found the chapter questions in the book a bit more challenging than the questions on the exam.

I loved this book and can confidently say that it was all I needed in order to clear the ACP on the first try. I read it three times and also purchased an extra mock exam from Velociteach. However, I do not feel that this is the SOLE reason for passing. The ACP is genuinely an Agile Mindset test. I cannot stress that enough. On the job experience is very important in understanding and passing this exam. Though, I feel extremely well-versed in all concepts of Agile due to this book.

This book is OK but not as good as Rita Mulcahy book on PMP. Rita's book has prepared me for the PMP exam completely and I felt about the subject very confident. This was not the case this time. This book has failed to present the taste and feel of the exam-like questions. By studying this book I felt I knew the subject well. However, it did not prepare me to face the situational type of questions. The exam had 100% situational questions. When I finished doing the questions I had no idea if I had passed or failed. It was also very hard for me to say which knowledge area each question tests. They all seemed alike. However, I have passed and I thank this book and its author for that!

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