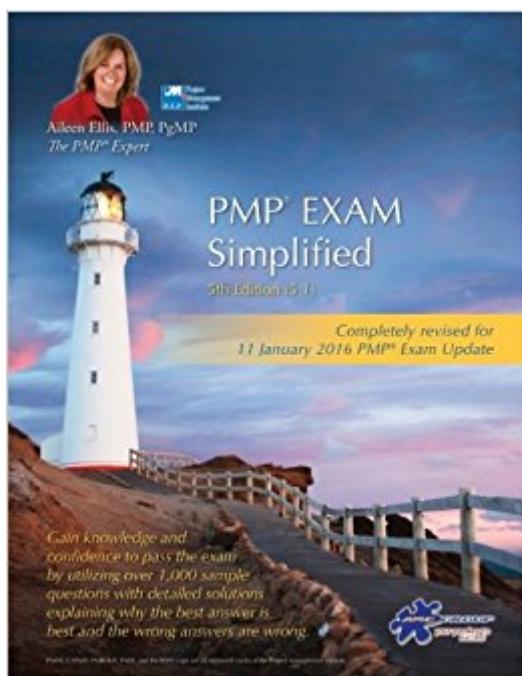


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This book was my favorite study guide for the exam, for several reasons already cited in other reviews. Here are the features I love:1) The study tip to memorize Tools and Techniques for each process. SUPER helpful in understanding what goes on and how for each process. It was far more effective than trying to memorize inputs and outputs. Frankly I was just kind of skimming over the T&T descriptions in the PMBOK until this text stressed their importance.2) The topic presentation by process group instead of knowledge area. I found that much more intuitive and logical.3) The clear explanations and reinforcing questions concerning commonly confused terms or concepts (e.g., control quality vs. perform quality assurance).4) The repetition of key topics throughout the book, especially in the answer explanations. I did every question in the book, and the repetition made things stick without the pain of trying to memorize.5) The inclusion of the extra materials (outside of PMBOK). The exam content outline guided my study and research and helped me target what areas I really didn't understand.6) The descriptions of documents = excellent. I passed the test today

on my first try. I took a 10 week class that met once a week, read PMBOK, read Rita and did all exercises, and read this book and did all exercises. I thought the test was difficult but fair, and the questions in this book are pretty comparable. Kindle version is perfect! Thank you for writing a book that promotes understanding!! My preparation included a 10 week class, reading the PMBOK, Rita and this book. I started in April and passed the test today.

This book was immensely helpful, I tried a few less expensive options first but I wish I had ordered this book first! Aileen is clear and concise, the practice questions were very close to the exam, and I felt very prepared using this book. (A few minor spelling and grammar mistakes did not impact the effectiveness of this material.)

After spending a year studying with IBM's proprietary materials/online classes and Rita Mulcahey's book, I still felt unprepared for the PMP exam. Don't get me wrong - these were great materials with LOTS of information, but the keyword here is LOTS. The PMP Certification exam is a textbook example of a 'mile wide and an inch deep' field of study and all of the information addressing every single aspect of it is overwhelming! After 5 WEEKS with THIS book and Aileen's online site, I not only passed the exam, but did quite well. Aileen's approach simplifies and streamlines your investment in study time. She focuses on areas that get you the most return on your investment AND utilizes even the wrong answers to advance your learning. You will not know everything there is to know about the PMP, but you WILL know enough to select the correct answers, or at least NOT select the wrong answers. I only had about a dozen calculations on the exam, but was able to confidently answer those correctly because I also supplemented my study with Aileen's mini books, "How to Get Every \_\_\_\_\_ Calculation Question Right on the PMP Exam". If you are feeling overwhelmed with the plethora of study advice out there, DO your sanity and your free time a favor - try Aileen's program!!

Understand this book is not organized the same as the PMBOK but it really helps to break down each process into key points of what you need to know. I use it supplemental with the PMBOK and also joined the online study session for \$49/month which is really helpful and gives you lots of information and access to get questions answered directly from Aileen. I have found that Aileen's way of prepping helps to really bring things into a good perspective. You definitely can not only use one book or one resource to study and go pass the PMP. It is a difficult test and takes great understanding of all areas of project management and processes. Someone commented that it

didn't have an index but it does have TOC in the front so you can look up each process and its page number if you want to find something. I feel after taking the time to read Aileen's book and be part of her study session I am feeling more confident about taking my PMP exam soon. I highly recommend it.

Aileen's materials were invaluable in helping me pass the PMP exam. I own all her books and highly recommend getting the Earned Value, Network Diagrams, and Contract books in addition to the PMP Exam Simplified book. If you can attend one of her boot camps, even better! I am not a project manager with lots of experience. I am new to the field, but thanks to Aileen's books and boot camp, I passed my PMP exam today! Her techniques work (especially doing her card method to learn the 47 processes and tools and techniques). I also gained tremendous value from her online testing database for questions. I highly recommend her materials and her as a trainer!

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