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STUDY GUIDE



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

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How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

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Questions

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1. **Which term describes brackets that group parts of an expression or indicate the order of operations?**
   - A. Parentheses
   - B. Brackets
   - C. Braces
   - D. Angles

2. **What is the term for the second digit to the right of the decimal point?**
   - A. Tenths place
   - B. Hundredths place
   - C. Thousandths place
   - D. Pictograph

3. **Which word means 'almost, but not exactly; more or less'?**
   - A. Straight angle
   - B. Acute angle
   - C. Equilateral triangle
   - D. Approximately

4. **to be in place of or to stand for something else**
   - A. Represent
   - B. Explain
   - C. Describe
   - D. Show

5. **What is a letter or symbol put in place of a number?**
   - A. Digit
   - B. Variable
   - C. Constant
   - D. Coefficient

6. **Which term describes a shape with four equal sides and four right angles?**
   - A. Rectangle
   - B. Rhombus
   - C. Parallelogram
   - D. Square

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7. Which term is used for a drawing or picture representing something?

A. Figure
B. Pictograph
C. Hundredths place
D. Tenths place

8. What is the place where a line segment or ray ends?

A. Endpoint
B. Hexagon
C. Line
D. Estimate

9. What phrase describes a right angle (makes a square corner)?

A. A 90 Degree Angle
B. Degree
C. Ray
D. Vertex

10. What term means half of a sphere?

A. Hemispheric
B. Semisphere
C. Sphere
D. Hemisphere

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Answers

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1. A
2. B
3. D
4. A
5. B
6. D
7. A
8. A
9. A
10. D

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Explanations

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1. Which term describes brackets that group parts of an expression or indicate the order of operations?

A. Parentheses

B. Brackets

C. Braces

D. Angles

Parentheses are the curved brackets used to group parts of an expression and show what to do first. When something is inside parentheses, you work on that part before continuing with the rest of the expression. For example, in 3 + (4 × 2), you do the multiplication inside first, giving 3 + 8 = 11. If you want to combine 2 and 3 before multiplying, you'd write (2 + 3) × 4, which becomes 5 × 4 = 20. Other bracket types exist—for example, square brackets [ ] for extra grouping or intervals, braces { } for sets or more complex groupings, and angle brackets < > for angles or special notations—but the term that refers to the grouping that shows the order of operations in basic arithmetic is parentheses.

2. What is the term for the second digit to the right of the decimal point?

A. Tenths place

B. Hundredths place

C. Thousandths place

D. Pictograph

In decimal numbers, the digits to the right of the decimal point show parts of a whole, with each position representing a part of ten. The first digit after the decimal is the tenths place, the second digit after the decimal is the hundredths place, and the third is the thousandths place. So the term for the second digit to the right of the decimal point is the hundredths place, meaning it represents hundredths (one part in a hundred). For example, in 0.47, the 4 is in the tenths place (four tenths) and the 7 is in the hundredths place (seven hundredths). A thousandths place would be the third digit after the decimal, and a pictograph is a type of chart, not a decimal place value.

3. Which word means 'almost, but not exactly; more or less'?

A. Straight angle

B. Acute angle

C. Equilateral triangle

D. Approximately

Expressing an estimate is the idea here: when you mean "almost, but not exactly; more or less," you use approximately. It tells someone the number or amount is close to a value without being saying it exactly. For example, there are approximately 25 students means the class is near 25, maybe 24 or 26. Other options describe shapes or exact properties rather than giving a close guess: a straight angle is a 180-degree turn, an acute angle is smaller than 90 degrees, and an equilateral triangle has all sides equal. Since those don't convey the idea of being near but not exact, the word that fits best is approximately.

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4. to be in place of or to stand for something else

A. Represent

B. Explain

C. Describe

D. Show

The matching idea is to stand in for or symbolize something else. When something represents another thing, it acts as its stand-in or symbol. That's why this word fits best: a flag represents a country, a statue can represent a historical figure, and a substitute can represent the person who's absent. The other verbs describe actions like making something clear (explain), detailing what something is like (describe), or making something visible or demonstrable (show), but they don't convey the idea of standing in for or symbolizing another thing.

5. What is a letter or symbol put in place of a number?

A. Digit

B. Variable

C. Constant

D. Coefficient

A letter or symbol in place of a number is a variable. In algebra, a variable represents an unknown amount that can change depending on the problem. This is different from a digit, which is one of the numerals 0–9 used to write numbers; a constant, like 5 or -2, is a fixed value that doesn't change in the expression; and a coefficient is a number that multiplies a variable, such as the 3 in 3x. So when you see a letter standing in for a number, you're looking at a variable that stands for an unknown value you may solve for or substitute later. For example, in x + 4, x is the variable representing some number you don't know yet.

6. Which term describes a shape with four equal sides and four right angles?

A. Rectangle

B. Rhombus

C. Parallelogram

D. Square

A square has four equal sides and four right angles. That exact combination—all sides the same length and all four angles measuring 90 degrees—is what distinguishes it from the other shapes. A rectangle also has four right angles, but its sides aren't required to be all equal. A rhombus has four equal sides, but its angles aren't required to be right angles. A parallelogram has opposite sides parallel and equal, but it isn't required to have all angles 90 degrees or all sides equal. So the term that fits both key properties is square. Think of a chessboard square or a drawn box with equal sides and square corners.

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7. Which term is used for a drawing or picture representing something?

A. Figure

B. Pictograph

C. Hundredths place

D. Tenths place

A figure is a drawing or picture used to show what something looks like or to illustrate a concept in math. That makes it the best fit for this description, since it covers any drawing, diagram, or illustration you might encounter. A pictograph is a specific type of chart that uses pictures to represent quantities, which is more about data and counts than just any drawing. The remaining options refer to decimal places, which aren't drawings at all.

8. What is the place where a line segment or ray ends?

A. Endpoint

B. Hexagon

C. Line

D. Estimate

Endpoint is the place where a line segment or ray ends. A line segment has two endpoints because it has a starting point and an ending point. A ray has one endpoint because it starts at a point and extends forever in one direction. A line, on the other hand, goes on without end in both directions, so it has no endpoints. The other options don't fit: a hexagon is a six-sided shape, a line is endless, and an estimate is just a rough calculation, not a geometric endpoint.

9. What phrase describes a right angle (makes a square corner)?

A. A 90 Degree Angle

B. Degree

C. Ray

D. Vertex

A right angle is a corner that looks like a square corner and measures 90 degrees. The phrase "a 90 degree angle" name-lights both what kind of angle it is (a right angle) and its exact size (90 degrees), making it the best description. The word "degree" alone is just a unit of measurement and doesn't identify the angle. A "ray" is a half-line with a starting point, not a measure of the angle. A "vertex" is the point where two lines meet to form the angle, not the size of the angle itself.

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10. What term means half of a sphere?

A. Hemispheric

B. Semisphere

C. Sphere

D. Hemisphere

Think about the roots of the word: semi- means half and sphere means a round ball. Put together, hemisphere names half of a sphere. It's the standard term you'd use for the top half or bottom half of the globe, like the Northern Hemisphere or Southern Hemisphere. Hemispheric describes something related to a hemisphere, not the half itself, and semisphere is an uncommon variant. Sphere means the entire ball, not half.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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