TV SURVEY PRACTICE TEST (SAMPLE)

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. ABS is particularly advantageous in TV surveys because it:

A. Improves coverage of households not reachable by phone and offers in-home follow-up options.

B. Is cheaper with better coverage.

C. Requires no weighting.

D. Only online responses are possible.

2. What is the purpose of a program code in the dataset?

A. To indicate the viewer's age range.

B. To identify the geographic region of the viewer.

C. To uniquely identify a program and prevent misclassification.

D. To measure the duration of the program.

3. What is the term for the merging of traditional media with digital communication technologies?

A. Media Convergence

B. Cross-media

C. Media Synergy

D. Transmedia

4. Which term describes a narrative practice of telling a story across multiple media, with content that interrelates to form a coherent whole?

A. Prolepsis

B. Audience Segmentation

C. Transmedial Storytelling

D. Dramatic Irony

5. Which word means excess or overindulgence of emotion, especially nostalgia, affection, sadness, or sympathy?

A. Sentimentality

B. Nostalgia

C. Affection

D. Emotion

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6. Who is the antihero of All in the Family?

A. Archie Bunker

B. Michael Stivic

C. Edith Bunker

D. Gloria Stivic

7. Murray Smith's term for character familiarity experienced by the audience due to seriality of television.

A. Interiority

B. Binge watching

C. Character attachment

D. Time shifting

8. What are 'edit checks' used for in surveys?

A. Manual reviews of every survey response.

B. Automated checks that flag inconsistent, improbable, or missing responses for follow-up.

C. Checks on the accuracy of broadcast signals.

D. A method to compute sample weights.

9. Which term describes a show released as an entire season rather than weekly episodes?

A. Serial

B. Miniseries

C. Seasonal Narrative

D. Anthology

10. The pilot's partner-in-crime of Walter White is which character?

A. Saul Goodman

B. Gustavo Fring

C. Hank Schrader

D. Jesse Pinkman

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Answers

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

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Explanations

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1. ABS is particularly advantageous in TV surveys because it:

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Address-based sampling broadens who can be contacted by using residential addresses, which is especially helpful for TV surveys. By not relying solely on phone frames, ABS reaches households that don't have landlines or are hard to reach by telephone, improving coverage of the target population. It also allows in-home follow-up options, such as in-person interviews or mail-back questionnaires, which can boost response rates and data quality when surveying viewing habits and household characteristics. ABS supports multiple modes of data collection, including online responses, mail, and in-person, but it doesn't inherently make the process cheaper or remove the need for weighting.

2. What is the purpose of a program code in the dataset?

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A program code in a dataset acts as a unique identifier for each program, serving as a stable key that ties together all related information (title, air date, genre, synopsis) and prevents mixing up similar entries. This makes data linking, updates, and analyses reliable, even when programs have close or identical titles or appear in multiple versions or airings. The other options describe attributes that belong to separate data fields: viewer age range is a demographic detail, geographic region of the viewer is location data, and measuring duration concerns runtime, not identity. So the code's purpose is to uniquely identify a program and prevent misclassification.

3. What is the term for the merging of traditional media with digital communication technologies?

A. Media Convergence

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Media convergence is the idea that traditional outlets like TV, radio, and print blend with digital technologies such as the internet, mobile devices, and social media, creating a seamless flow of content and interaction across platforms. This concept describes how content and audiences move fluidly between different channels—a news story can appear on TV, online, and via apps, with viewers engaging through comments, shares, and user-generated content, all contributing to a unified media experience. The other terms don't capture this broad integration as precisely: cross-media focuses on delivering a message across multiple channels, but not the full merging of media forms; a term like media synergy refers to the combined effect of efforts rather than the structural integration itself; transmedia centers on telling a single story across platforms, with each platform offering distinct elements, rather than a general convergence of media into one ecosystem.

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4. Which term describes a narrative practice of telling a story across multiple media, with content that interrelates to form a coherent whole?

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The idea being tested is telling a story across multiple media in a way that the pieces are designed to fit together into one larger, coherent whole. In transmedial storytelling, the narrative expands across films, TV, books, games, websites, and social media, with each medium offering unique parts of the story and new perspectives that deepen the overall universe. The content across platforms is interrelated so that what happens in one medium echoes or influences what happens in another, encouraging fans to engage with multiple formats to get the full experience. This is different from simply adapting a story from one medium to another, from general marketing segmentation, or from dramatic irony, because the goal here is a deliberate, interconnected design across media that collectively forms a unified narrative.

5. Which word means excess or overindulgence of emotion, especially nostalgia, affection, sadness, or sympathy?

A. Sentimentality

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Excessive emotional display is described by sentimentality. It characterizes an overindulgence in feelings, especially those tied to nostalgia, affection, sadness, or sympathy, often with a sense of being overly sweet or mawkish. Nostalgia is a longing for the past and can be genuine without implying excess, affection is warm fondness toward someone, and emotion is the broad term for any feeling. So sentimentality best captures that sense of overindulgent emotion in these contexts.

6. Who is the antihero of All in the Family?

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B. Michael Stivic

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D. Gloria Stivic

An antihero is a central character who lacks traditional heroic qualities and often acts through flawed beliefs, yet remains the driving force of the story. In All in the Family, Archie Bunker fits this role because he is the show's anchor and primary source of conflict, defined by stubborn, bigoted views and a stubborn insistence on his own worldview. His prejudices and blunt, sometimes cruel humor create the situations that propel episodes, forcing other characters to respond, challenge, or reform their own beliefs. Yet he's not portrayed as pure villain; there are moments that reveal vulnerability, loyalty to his family, and a sincere if begrudging care for them. The show uses his flaws to critique social issues of the time, inviting viewers to laugh at the absurdities of his attitudes while also questioning prejudice itself. By positioning a deeply flawed character at the center, the series keeps the audience engaged and unsettled, which is the hallmark of an antihero. The other characters serve as foils or more clearly sympathetic figures, whereas Archie's complicated mix of flaws and humanity anchors the plot and invites reflection.

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7. Murray Smith's term for character familiarity experienced by the audience due to seriality of television.

A. Interiority

B. Binge watching

C. Character attachment

D. Time shifting

In Murray Smith's framework, the audience's familiarity with recurring characters grows into character attachment as a result of serial storytelling. As viewers follow a character across many episodes and seasons, they accumulate knowledge, empathy, and concern for that character's fate, creating a sustained emotional bond. This attachment is a key way audiences become invested in a show's outcomes and continue watching, beyond just recognizing surface traits. The other options don't capture this sustained, affective bond: interiority is about a character's inner life rather than the viewer's evolving relationship; binge watching describes how much you watch at once, not the nature of viewer-character connection; and time shifting concerns when you watch, not the emotional ties formed through serial continuity.

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Edit checks are automated quality-control steps built into survey software that automatically compare responses against logical rules and expected ranges. They flag responses that don't fit with other answers, look improbable, or are missing, so researchers can follow up with respondents or field staff to fix issues. This keeps the data cleaner before analysis and helps catch problems early. They're not about manual reviews of every answer, not about checking broadcast signals, and not about computing sample weights.

9. Which term describes a show released as an entire season rather than weekly episodes?

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The key idea here is how the season is released and how its story is structured. Releasing an entire season as a single block is best described by a seasonal narrative, where the season itself is a complete storytelling arc presented together rather than as a sequence of episodes watched over time. This framing emphasizes the season as a cohesive narrative unit. In contrast, a serial is built to unfold week by week with ongoing plotlines across episodes, so the release cadence is tied to ongoing progression rather than a self-contained season. An anthology features different stories or characters in each episode or season, so the focus is on variety rather than a single cohesive season-long arc. A miniseries refers to a limited-run series with a predefined number of episodes, but it doesn't inherently specify the release method as all-at-once versus weekly; the term is more about duration and scope than cadence. So, describing a show released as an entire season at once aligns best with seasonal narrative, since it highlights the season as a complete storytelling block released together.

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10. The pilot's partner-in-crime of Walter White is which character?

A. Saul Goodman

B. Gustavo Fring

C. Hank Schrader

D. Jesse Pinkman

Walter White teams up with Jesse Pinkman to cook meth in the pilot, making their partnership the central partnership introduced right from the start. Walt brings chemistry expertise, while Jesse provides street-smarts and refines the operation, so together they form the duo driving the early story. This dynamic is established in the first episode and remains the core collaboration as they begin producing high-purity meth. The other figures listed aren't the pilot's partner: Saul Goodman appears later as their lawyer, Gustavo Fring is a major drug lord they encounter, and Hank Schrader is Walt's brother-in-law and a DEA agent. So Jesse Pinkman is the correct match for the partner-in-crime in the pilot.

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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.

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

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