

Grace's Exam Tips For Newbys



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Step 1:

- Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
- ● Start each new section by doing all the MCQs from every module.
- ● You don't need to go through the modules in strict order, but try to finish one module's
- MCQs completely before moving on to the next.



Step 2:

- Reinforce Weak Areas (Optional but Recommended)
- ● Do sets of 10 random unanswered + incorrect MCQs from each module, cycling
- through them in order (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).
- ● Keep repeating until each module shows a 100% score at least once.
- ● If you don't hit 100%:
 - ■ Check which subsection you missed the most.
 - ■ Do 5 practice questions from that subsection.
 - ■ Take notes or reread/rewrite that part of your notes.
- ● The key rule:
 - don't move on until you understand the material - guessing and
 - moving forward only hurts your progress.
- ● If you've already worked through all your incorrect + unanswered MCQs, use your
 - judgment:
 - either do a full bank of questions or focus just on the AICPA-released
 - questions you've marked.



Step 3:

- Task-Based Simulations (TBS) with SkillBuilders
- ● Go through all the SkillBuilder videos for the TBS.
- ● Follow along inside the TBS while watching to fill out the answers.
- ● By the end, you'll have completed every TBS in the main course.
- ● Only mini-exams and simulated exams will remain unfinished at this point.



Step 4:

- Final Review - Deep Dive
- ● Work through the entire Final Review course.
- ● Watch every single SkillBuilder video (even if you got the original question right).
- ● Take notes on tips or any new/important information.
- ● Redo every TBS and do your best to solve them fully.



Step 5:

- Mini Exams + Targeted Practice
- ● Redo Step 2, but now by combining chapters:
- ■ Ch.
- 1 + 2 → then take Mini Exam 1
- ■ Ch.
- 3 + 4 → then take Mini Exam 2
- ■ Ch.
- 5 + 6 → then take Mini Exam 3
- ● Each mini exam has 20 MCQs.
- ● Take notes on what you got wrong (or even what you guessed right but weren't sure on).



Step 6:

- Review Mini Exam Answers
- ● Go back through every Mini Exam MCQ and TBS answer.
- ● Take notes on the topics they test so you understand why you got it right/wrong.



Step 7:

- Mock Testlet Practice
- ● Do a practice set of MCQs using only AICPA-released questions.
- ● Match the number of questions to the actual exam testlet format.



Step 8:

- Simulated Exams (SEs)
- ● Complete all Simulated Exams.
- ● Review every single answer (like in Step 6) to lock in your understanding.



Step 9:

- Day Before Exam
- ● Only review what you feel you truly need - don't try to relearn everything.
- ● Pack what you need and rest:
- ■ Required:
 - Passport, NTS, ID
- ■ Optional:
 - Sealed generic plastic water bottle (no label), gum (only if it's already in your mouth when entering), snacks for break (lockers available).
- Night Before Exam
- 1. Plan your outfit (comfy + jacket is best).
- 2. Gather NTS, passport, and wallet (ID).
- 3. Pack gum, perfume.
- 4. Prep a generic plastic water bottle.
- 5. Take melatonin by 8 PM.
- 6. In bed by 9 PM.
- 7. Aim to be asleep by 10 PM.
- 8. Set alarms for 6:00 and 6:30 AM.