

Preparing for Actuarial Exams

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Overview

- Strategy
 - Environmental factors
 - Fundamental concepts
 - Readings
 - Develop questions
 - Review

• Resources



Developing a Strategy



Learn More, Study Less 2nd Edition By Mike Jennings, FSA, CERA & Roy Ju, FSA, CERA Proven tactics for achieving exam success



- Actuarial Exam Tactics: Learn more, Study Less
 - Written by Roy Ju & Mike Jennings
 - Efficient & effective studying
 - Achieve a work/study balance

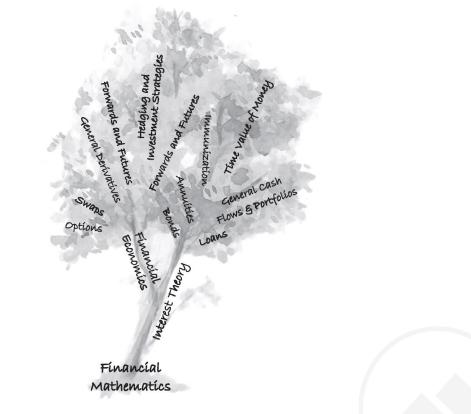
Creating an Environment

- Create a study environment
- Portable study materials



Fundamental Concepts

- 2 types of material in readings
 - 1. Fundamental concepts
 - 2. Elaborative material

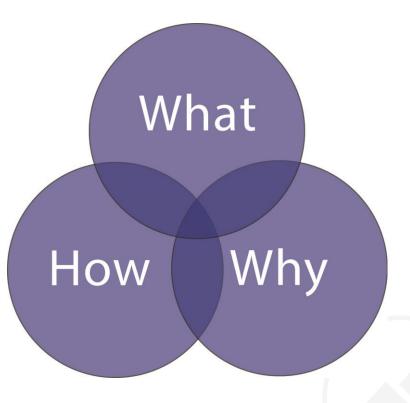


Readings

- Syllabus readings
- Study manual: executive summary, intro and conclusions
 - Read section headings, sub headings and any bold or italic keywords
- Build your tree

Developing Questions

- What: example, what is the Black-Scholes formula?
- How: how is this formula derived?
- Why: why is this important to companies?



Review

 How and when Study 25 Study 25 **Break** Pomodoro Technique 5 min min min Spacing effect Study 25 Break Break 5 min 5 min min Self-testing Study 25 Break 15 min min

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 - Quizzes
 - Practice exams
 - GOAL



Resources

- Textbooks
- Study manuals
- GOAL
- Formula cards
- Flashcards
- Career resource guides

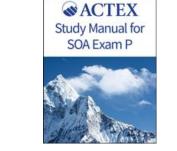


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Questions?

- Helpful links:
 - SOA.org
 - CASAct.org
 - ActuarialOutpost.com
 - ActexMadRiver.com



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