



Recommended Reading Plan for the
PMP® Preparation

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Introduction

Since October 2021, candidates should be prepared for exam questions referencing to the PMBOK Guide 7th Edition in the PMP examination.

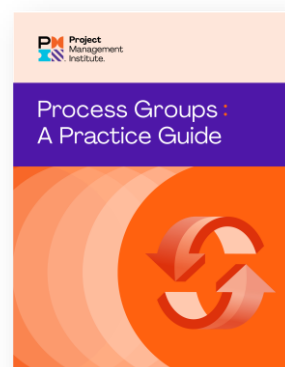
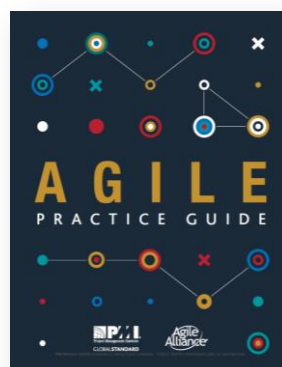
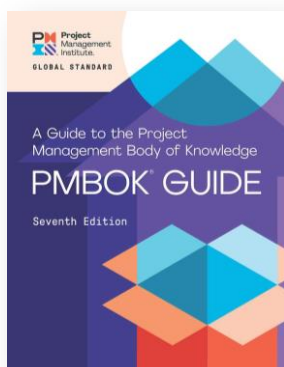
The following pages specify the text sections of the three most relevant books that are recommended for exam prep study:

1. [PMBOK Guide 7th Ed.](#)
ISBN: 978-1628256642
2. [Agile Practice Guide](#)
ISBN: 978-1628251999
3. [Process Groups: A Practice Guide²](#)
ISBN: 978-1628257830

Certain sections of the books are skipped in the reading plan. These sections have content that is irrelevant for exam preparation or repeat content that has been addressed before and doesn't add new knowledge.

The books can be downloaded using the hyperlinks or ordered in bookstores using the ISBNs.

Note: A web version of this list and a lot of other free materials for PMP test takers can be found at <https://www.oliverlehmann.com/free/free-resources#list>.



² Replaced the [PMBOK Guide 6th Edition](#) in 11-2022, which is no longer available in bookstores.

1. PMBOK Guide, 7th Edition

212 pages

1.1. Part 1: The Standard for Project Management

- 1. Introduction – Key terms and concepts (p. 4, 5) 53 pages
- 2. A system for value delivery (p. 7 - 19)
- 3. Project management principles (p. 21 - 58)

1.2. Part 2: The Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge

- 2. Project performance domains 57 pages
 - 2.2 Team performance Domain (p. 16 - 31)
 - 2.3 Development approach and lifecycle performance domain (p. 32 - 50)
 - 2.7 Measurement performance domain (p. 93 - 115)
- 3. Tailoring 22 pages
 - 3.1 - 3.7 (p. 131 - 152)
- 4. Models, methods, and artifacts 43 pages
 - 4.1 - 4.7 (p. 153 – 195)

1.3. Appendix X2: Sponsor

- X2.1 - X2.5 (p. 207 - 210) 4 pages

1.4. Appendix X3: The Project Management Office

- X3.1 - X3.5 (p. 211 - 215) 5 pages

1.5. Appendix X4: Product

- X4.1 - X4.5 (p. 217 - 225) 9 pages

1.6. Glossary

- 2. Common acronyms (p. 234) 19 pages
- 3. Definitions (p. 235 - 253)

2. Agile Practice Guide

128 pages

2.1. Chapters

Chapters 1 - 6. (p. 1 - 86) 86 pages

2.2. Annexes and Appendices

Annex A1 – PMBOK Guide mapping (p. 91 - 95) 5 pages

Annex A2 – Agile Manifesto mapping (p. 97, 98) 2 pages

Annex A3 – Overview of agile and lean frameworks (p. 99 – 114) 16 pages

Appendix X2 – Attributes that influence tailoring (p. 119 - 123) 5 pages

Appendix X3 – Agile suitability filter tools (p. 125 - 138) 14 pages

3. Process Groups: A Practice Guide

340 pages

3.1. 8 Chapters, Glossary

- 1.: Introduction
- 2.: The Project Environment
- 3.: Role of the project manager
- 4. - 8.: The Process Groups

313 pages

3.2. Glossary

- Glossary

27 pages

4. Further Literature

About the Certification:

- [PMP Exam Content Outline](#) 20 pages
- [PMI Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct](#) 8 pages

Glossaries:

- [PMI Lexicon of Project Management Terms](#) 18 pages
(free access & download for PMI members)
- [Disciplined Agile Glossary](#) 16 pages
- [Scrum Glossary](#) 3 pages
- [Project Business Glossary](#) 29 pages

More Agile Sources:

- [Scrum Guide](#) 14 pages
- [The Agile Subway Map](#) (na)

Learnware:

- [Tons of Free Practice Questions](#) (na)

More Help for Your Exam Preparation

- The Process in a Nutshell

The process to become PMP certified is laid out at

<https://www.oliverlehmann.com/free/pmp-certification-the-process>

- Free Practice Questions

100 free questions and references to thousands more from other sources can be found at

<https://www.oliverlehmann.com/free/free-pmp-practice-questions>

- Signal Words

These words signal the application of specific approaches (agile, traditional) in situational questions. Go to

https://www.oliverlehmann.com/free/free-resources#signal_words

- Study Group

“I want to be a PMP®” is the largest and most active study group for PMP candidates and credential holders. It welcomes you as a member at

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/2356441>

- Enquire for Corporate Training

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