

IT Practice Tests:

The key to getting your certification

Planning on taking an IT certification test?

IT practice tests are one of the most effective study methods when preparing for a certification exam. In fact, [some studies](#) show that practice tests can **increase your accuracy** on the final exam **by 33-38%**.

Knowing the types of exam questions beforehand, along with the explanations for each, has been proven to be a **key strategy** for all certification takers.

IT certification exams can be hard and require a lot of studying and practice. This is why technology corporations like Microsoft, Cisco, VMware, and many more provide [official study materials and practice tests](#) to **help students prepare for success**.

In this article, you will learn:

- 1 **What are practice tests**
- 2 **How practice tests help you prepare for the exam**
- 3 **How to Build a (Test - Pass) Guarantee Strategy**

Upon achieving your certificate, you will be able to skill up, prove your expertise to future employers and peers, and get the recognition and opportunities you've earned!

But first things first.

1 What are Practice Tests?

A practice test is an informal exam that **simulates the actual test**, and aims to prepare you better for what to expect on the real exam. It gives you better chances to score an excellent result on the formal exam.

But let's look in more detail what it is and how it works.

- What does a prep test include?

Depending on the IT certificate you want to acquire, the online practice exams may include case studies, building lists by reorganizing answers' structure, multiple-choice questions, simulations in a realistic environment, and many more.

Typically, the certification mode of the practice test consists of the same number of questions as on the actual exam. The goal is to give you the **same feeling** as if you are **taking the real certification test**.

- How accurate are the IT practice exams?

Very! If the practice test is presented by an official IT vendor provider, such as [MeasureUp](#), you should not have any doubt about the accuracy of the exam. Technical reviewers check accuracy for every exam title they publish.

- Are the answers included in the prep test?

Not only are the answers included, but you will also have access to score reports, feedback, explanations for both right and wrong answers. Many prep tests also offer short video tutorials.

- How hard is the IT practice test?

The difficulty level of a practice test is very similar to that of the real exam, so if you pass a practice test we **guarantee that you can pass the real certification exam**.



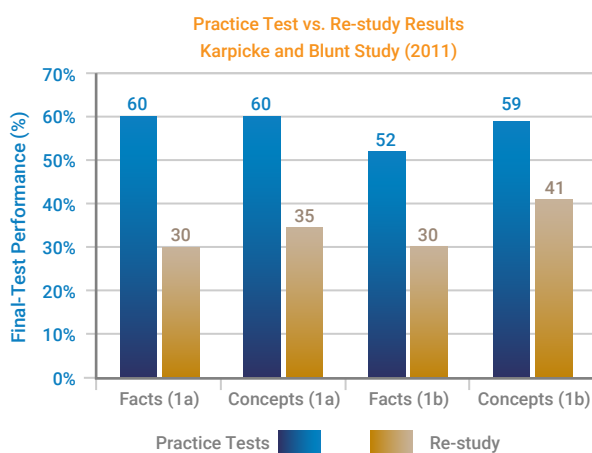
2 How IT Practice Tests help you prepare for your exam?

A large study conducted by the Association of Psychological Science just a few years ago reported that **practice tests are the most effective study technique** among many others, including text learning, rereading, highlighting, etc.

A 2011 study by Karpicke and Blunt, also proves the effectiveness of practice tests when it comes down to memorizing new facts and key component concepts. The experiment was conducted on two separate student groups, and each group was assigned either a practice test, or a re-study session in order to prepare for the final exam.

The findings concluded that the group of students who took a practice test as a form of preparation, were on average **outperforming their peers by almost 24%!**

You can see a visual representation of their results in the graph below.



Here are a few more reasons as to why you should take a practice test before the real exam:

- **Find your strengths and weaknesses.** The practice exams are a great way to learn from your mistakes and to focus future learning on the weak points. They could also show you which areas you have already mastered.
- **Get full score reports and feedback.** If you need guidance, this is the way to go. The tests offer thorough explanations of the correct and incorrect answers.
- **Fill in your knowledge gaps.** This is a proven and successful technique for faster learning.
- **Reduces fear and anxiety.** The accuracy that the practice tests provide can reduce stress while taking the actual exam.
- **Gain confidence.** The tests give you confidence in your knowledge, knowing what to expect, and how to manage your time productively.
- **Track your time.** Timing is a key element in getting closer to passing a certification. Practice tests can help you understand how much time you will have to spend on each question.
- **Reinforce the learning.** Taking a test can be more beneficial to passing the exam than spending the same time going over again the same study materials.
- **Kickstart your career.** Taking a practice test, prepared by experts in the field, is the logical and necessary step to passing the certification exam and launching your career as an IT specialist.

3 How to build a Test - Pass Guarantee strategy using a Practice Test

Preparing for the next IT exam will most certainly involve a lot of study materials and practice. But how can you tell when you are fully ready for the certification exam? This is where practice tests come as one of the best strategies for a test pass guarantee.

Here are a few things you can do to **make sure** you are getting the most out of your practice test:

- 1 Make sure you choose the right practice test for your IT exam.
- 2 Try a demo exam or a short technical assessment, first if there is one.
- 3 Get to know all the features of your practice test tool.
- 4 Identify the objective areas where your score is low and brush up on these topics before moving forward.
- 5 Read the provided explanations for each question, whether or not your answer is correct.
- 6 Track your time and identify the questions that take you the most time to answer.
- 7 Take the test as many times as you need until you feel confident in your knowledge.
- 8 If you can achieve a score of over 90% twice on the practice test, you are ready for the actual exam.

MeasureUp certification Practice Tests and learning materials

MeasureUp has been the **leading provider of certification practice tests and assessments** for IT professionals for over **20 years**. Our company specializes in reinforcing learning by offering quality content, high-quality simulations, advanced question types, and cutting-edge applications. The products are designed to assess your knowledge gaps and identify your strengths, allowing you to focus on areas that need improvement.

So why are our practice tests better?

Here are some of the benefits of using MeasureUp's practice tests:

- **Mapped to the exams.** Each practice exam is tailored to mimic and have the same structure as the real exam.
- **Complete coverage of exam objectives.** Each practice test includes all exam objectives covered in the vendor outlines.
- **Practice Test - Pass Guarantee.** If you are unable to pass a vendor's exam twice after purchasing a MeasureUp practice test, with our [practice test - pass guarantee](#), you will be able to get a full refund of your practice test price.
- **High-Quality tests.** Our tests are written by experts in the same fields, who have real-world experience and are extremely knowledgeable.
- **Comprehensive explanations.** Whether you answer a question correctly or not, you will receive an explanation of why that answer was correct or incorrect.
- **Online references.** For every question, you will have additional resources where you will be able to receive additional study assets.
- **Online/offline capabilities.** Be able to study on the go, with or without the internet, thanks to the MeasureUp download version.



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