



Recommended Reading Plan for the  
**PMP® Preparation**  
01-2021 Exam Version<sup>1</sup>

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## Introduction

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Since October 2021, candidates should be prepared for exam questions referencing to the PMBOK Guide 7<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> Ed.**
2. **PMBOK Guide 7<sup>th</sup> Ed.**
3. **Agile Practice Guide**

Certain sections of the books are skipped. These sections have contents that are irrelevant for exam preparation or repeat contents that have been addressed before and don't add new knowledge.

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>.

## 1. PMBOK Guide, 6th Edition

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599 pages

### 1.1. Part 1: The Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge

13 Chapters

538 pages

- 1.: Introduction
- 2.: The environment, in which projects operate
- 3.: The role of the project manager
- 4. - 13.: The 10 knowledge areas

### 1.2. Part 3: Appendices, Glossary, and Index

5 chapters

61 pages

- App. X3 - X6
- Glossary

## 2. PMBOK Guide, 7th Edition

212 pages

### 2.1. 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)

### 2.2. 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)

### 2.3. Appendix X2: Sponsor

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

### 2.4. Appendix X3: The Project Management Office

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

### 2.5. Appendix X4: Product

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

### 2.6. Glossary

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

## 3. Agile Practice Guide

128 pages

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### 3.1. Chapters

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

### 3.2. 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

## More Help for Your Exam Preparation

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### - The Process

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### - Free Practice Questions

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

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### - Signal Words

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

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