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Before you can qualify as an ACCA member, you do not only have to pass all your exams but also fulfil a three year **practical experience requirement** (PER). To help you to recognise areas of the syllabus that you might be able to apply in the workplace to achieve different performance objectives, we have introduced the 'PER alert' feature. You will find this feature throughout the Study Text to remind you that what you are **learning to pass** your ACCA exams is **equally useful to the fulfilment of the PER requirement**.

Tacking studying

Studying can be a daunting prospect, particularly when you have lots of other commitments. The different features of the text, the purposes of which are explained fully on the Chapter features page, will help you whilst studying and improve your chances of exam success.

Developing exam awareness

Our Texts are completely focused on helping you pass your exam.

Our advice on **Studying P4** outlines the **content** of the paper, the **necessary skills** the examiner expects you to demonstrate and any **brought forward knowledge** you are expected to have.

Exam focus points are included within the chapters to highlight when and how specific topics were examined, or how they might be examined in the future.

Using the Syllabus and Study Guide

You can find the syllabus, Study Guide and other useful resources for P4 on the ACCA web site: www.accaglobal.com/students/study_exams/qualifications/acca_choose/acca/professional/afm/

The Study Text covers **all aspects** of the syllabus to ensure you are as fully prepared for the exam as possible.

Testing what you can do

Testing yourself helps you develop the skills you need to pass the exam and also confirms that you can recall what you have learnt.

We include **Questions** – lots of them - both within chapters and in the **Exam Question Bank**, as well as **Quick Quizzes** at the end of each chapter to test your knowledge of the chapter content.



Chapter features

Each chapter contains a number of helpful features to guide you through each topic.

Topic list

Topic list	Syllabusideence
	APPEND.

Tells you what you will be studying in this chapter and the relevant section numbers, together the ACCA syllabus references.

Introduction

Study Guide

Exam Guide

Knowledge brought forward from earlier studies



Examples

Key terms

Exam focus points

Formula to learn





Question



Case Study

Chapter Roundup

Quick Quiz

Exam Question Bank

Puts the chapter content in the context of the syllabus as a whole.

Links the chapter content with ACCA guidance.

Highlights how examinable the chapter content is likely to be and the ways in which it could be examined.

What you are assumed to know from previous studies/exams.

Summarises the content of main chapter headings, allowing you to preview and review each section easily.

Demonstrate how to apply key knowledge and techniques.

Definitions of important concepts that can often earn you easy marks in exams.

Tell you when and how specific topics were examined, or how they may be examined in the future.

Formulae that are not given in the exam but which have to be learnt.

This is a new feature that gives you a useful indication of syllabus areas that closely relate to performance objectives in your Practical Experience Requirement (PER).

Give you essential practice of techniques covered in the chapter.

Provide real world examples of theories and techniques.

A full list of the Fast Forwards included in the chapter, providing an easy source of review.

A quick test of your knowledge of the main topics in the chapter.

Found at the back of the Study Text with more comprehensive chapter questions. Cross referenced for easy navigation.



Studying P2

Paper P2 Corporate Reporting is a demanding paper, reflecting the demands that will be made upon the professional accountant in his or her working life. At the Fundamentals level, you will have studied the essentials of financial statement preparation and analysis, including those of group accounts. At the Professional level, these essentials will be assumed knowledge. You will be required to apply them, assuming the role of a professional adviser and analyst to the management as well as the shareholders and other stakeholders.

What is the paper about?

The P2 syllabus comprises eight main areas:

- A The professional and ethical duty of the accountant
- B The financial reporting framework
- C Reporting the financial performance of entities
- D Financial statements of groups of entities
- E Specialised entities
- F Implications of changes in accounting regulation on financial reporting
- G The appraisal of financial performance and position of entities
- H Current developments

There is, of course, some overlap between these areas. For example, if you are discussing current developments (H), you might be talking about the proposed changes to accounting for business combinations (D) and considering the implications of changes in accounting regulation (F) and perhaps even the ethical duty of the accountant to report those changes fairly and accurately (A).

What skills must you demonstrate?

At the Fundamentals level, or in your earlier studies, the questions would be more easily categorised into syllabus areas. However, at this level you may need to demonstrate knowledge, skills and thinking from outside the syllabus area that the question seems to be about on the surface. The examiner has stated:

Students should be capable of relating professional issues to relevant concepts and practical situations. The evaluation of alternative accounting practices and the identification and prioritisation of issues will be a key element of the paper. Professional and ethical judgement will need to be exercised, together with the integration of technical knowledge when addressing corporate reporting issues in a business context.

So the paper is not predictable. That said, clear guidance has been given. The compulsory Section A question, worth 50 marks, will always be on group accounts. It will also deal with issues in financial reporting and will be case study based. In Section B, questions could be on any area of they syllabus, but we have been told that two questions will be scenario based and one question will be an essay. You have a choice of two from three.

Exam technique for P2

Do not be needlessly intimidated

There is no shortcut to passing this exam. It looks very difficult indeed, and many students wonder if they will ever pass. But many do. Why is this?



Easy marks

All the questions are demanding, but there are many easy marks to be gained. Suppose, for example, you had a consolidated cash flow statement with a disposal, some foreign exchange complications and an impairment calculation. There will be easy marks available simply for the basic cash flow aspects, setting out the proforma, setting up your workings, presenting your work neatly. If you recognise, as you should, that the disposal needs to be taken into account, of course you will get marks for that, even if you make a mistake in the arithmetic. If you get the foreign exchange right, so much the better, but you could pass the question comfortably omitting this altogether. If you're short of time, this is what you should do.

Be ruthless in ignoring the complications

Look at the question. Within reason, if there are complications — often only worth a few marks — that you know you will not have time or knowledge to do, cross them out. It will make you feel better. Than tackle the bits you can do. This is how people pass a seemingly impossible paper.

Be ruthless in allocating your time

At BPP, we have seen how very intelligent students do one almost perfect question, one averagely good and one sketchy. For a fifty mark question, the first twenty marks are the easiest to get. Then you have to push it up to what you think is thirty to get yourself a clear pass. For a twenty-five mark question, the first eight to ten marks are the easiest to get, and then you must try to push it up to fifteen.

Do your best question either first or second, and the compulsory question either first or second. The compulsory question, being on groups, will always have some easy marks available for consolidation techniques.



The exam paper

The paper will comprise two sections.

Section A: 1 compulsory case study 50
Section B: Choice of 2 from 3 questions (25 marks each) 50
100

Section A will consist of one scenario based question worth 50 marks. It will deal with the preparation of consolidated financial statements including group cash flow statements and with issues in financial reporting.

Students will be required to answer two out of three questions in Section B, which will normally comprise two questions which will be scenario or case-study based and one question which will be an essay. Section B could deal with any aspects of the syllabus.

Analysis of past papers – by sitting

December 2008

Section A

1 Group statement of cash flows with adjustments and interpretation; ethics

Section B

- 2 Changes to accounting for business combinations
- 3 Tangibles, intangibles and revenue recognition
- 4 Accounting standards and disclosure

June 2008

Section A

1 Groups with a foreign subsidiary, other adjustments and the remainder on ethical issues

Section B

- 2 Segment reporting and revenue recognition in a specialised industry
- 3 Retirement benefits and financial instruments
- 4 Transition to IFRS

December 2007

Section A

Piecemeal acquisition; factored receivables; environmental provision and report; ethical and social attitudes

Section B

- 2 Employee benefits; provisions
- 3 Discontinued operations; deferred tax; impairment; lease
- 4 Conceptual framework



Pilot paper

Section A

1 Statement of cash flows; criteria for consolidation; ethical behaviour

Section B

- 2 Environmental provision; leasing; EABRP; share-based payment
- 3 Deferred tax with pension scheme and financial instruments
- 4 Adoption of IFRS; proposals on business combinations



Analysis of past papers – by syllabus topic

The table below provides details of when each element of the syllabus has been examined and the question number and section in which each element appeared. Further details can be found in the Exam Focus Points in the relevant chapters.

Covered in Text chapter		Pilot Paper	Dec 2007	June 2008	Dec 2008
3	THE PROFESSIONAL AND ETHICAL DUTY OF THE ACCOUNTANT				
3	Professional behaviour and compliance with accounting standards			Q1(c)	Q1(c)
3	Ethical requirements of corporate reporting and the consequences of unethical behaviour	Q1(c)	Q1(c)		Q1(c)
	Social responsibility		Q1(c)		*****************
	THE FINANCIAL REPORTING FRAMEWORK				
1	The contribution and limitations of financial statement in meeting users' and capital markets' needs				Q4(c)
1	The applications, strengths and weaknesses of an accounting framework				
	Critical evaluation of principles and practices				
-1	Revenue recognition	Q2		Q2(b)	Q3
	Substance over form issues	Q1(b)			
	REPORTING THE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF ENTITIES				***************************************
	Performance reporting				
	Non-current assets				
	Property, plant ad equipment				Q3
	- Intangible assets				Q2,Q3
4	- Impairment		Q1(a), Q3(c)	Q1(b)	Q1(a), Q3
	- Investment properties				
	- Government grants			Q2(b)	
	- Borrowing costs				************
7	Financial instruments	Q3	Q1(a)	Q1(b), Q3	Q1(a), Q2
11	Leases	Q2	Q1(a), Q3(d)		Q3
18	Segment reporting			Q2(a)	
5	Employee benefits	Q1(a), Q3	Q2(a)	Q1(b), Q3(b)	Q1(a)
6	Income taxes	Q3	Q3(b)		
	Provisions, contingencies and events after the reporting period			**********	
9	Provisions, contingency liabilities and contingent assets	Q2	Q1(a), Q2(b)	Q3	Q1(a), Q2
	 Events after the reporting period 	Q2			
10	Related parties				
8	Share-based payment	Q2	Q1(a)	Q1(b)	Q2
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Covered in Text chapter		Pilot Paper	Dec 2007	June 2011	Dec 2008
	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF GROUPS OF ENTITIES				
12, 13, 17	Group accounting including statements of cash flow - Complex groups - Associates - Joint ventures			Q3(c)	Q1(a),
	 Group statements of cash flows 	Q1(a)			Q2 Q1(a)
13	Continuing and discontinued interests — Discontinued operations — Non-current assets held for sale		Q3(a)		
ı,	Changes in group structure				
14	 Mid year acquisitions Disposals Business combinations achieved in stages 		Q1(a)		Q2 Q2
16	Foreign transactions and entities - Foreign currency transactions - Foreign subsidiaries		Q1(a)	Q1(b) Q1(a), (b)	Q1(a)
	SPECIALISED ENTITIES			``	
20	Financial reporting in specialised, not-for-profit and public sector entities	Q2		Q2	
20	Reporting requirements for small- and medium-sized entities (SMEs)				
	IMPLICATIONS OF CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING REGULATION ON FINANCIAL REPORTING				
21	The effect of changes in accounting standards on accounting systems			Q4(a)	*******
12	Proposed changes to accounting standards - Business combinations Exposure Draft	Q4(b)	5		
	THE APPRAISAL OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND POSITION ENTITIES				
18	The creation of suitable accounting policies			Q2(b), Q3	
18	Analysis and interpretation of financial information and measurement of performance				Q1(b)
	CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS			***************************************	
19	Environmental and social reporting		Q1(b)		*********
19	Convergence between national and international reporting standards	Q4(a)		Q4(a)	
19	Comparison of national reporting requirements			Q4(b)	
1, 6, 19	Current reporting issues - Conceptual framework Discussion Paper - Fair value measurement Discussion Paper - Management commentary Discussion Paper		Q4		
	- Pensions Discussion Paper				



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