

CFA® EXAM QUICK START GUIDE

There are two types—constructed responses (word-based) and calculation-based responses. Get started right away framing your study around these formats. Use the practice quizzes and mock exams available in the Learning Ecosystem to gauge your exam readiness.

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COMES

TOGETHER

In the past two exams, you were asked to describe and analyze. In this exam, you will need to justify your thinking by synthesizing information and applying solutions. Portfolio management and wealth planning will be heavily featured.

UNDERSTAND THE FORMAT OF ESSAY <u>OUESTIONS</u>

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You do not get extra credit for producing a lot of words. Meandering prose can potentially hurt your score. Answer succinctly and to the point. Use bullet points if you would like to. Plan how much time you can give each answer and stick with it. If you are stumped by a question, move on to one you are more comfortable with and complete that one. You can go back to your skipped question later if you have time.

BE MINDFUL OF TIME

PROVIDE EXACTLY WHAT IS ASKED FOR (AND NO MORE)

For calculation-based questions, show how you arrived at the answer. Even if you make a simple math error, you may get points for successfully completing part of the calculation. EXAM LOCATIONS + 10-15 ITEM SET OUESTIONS

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SHOW YOUR

METHODS

CALCULATION

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