

# Recommended Study Strategies

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- Create a study plan to make the best use of your time between now and the exam
  - Plan on a minimum of 72 hours over 2-3 months to prepare
- Study plan should be based on:
  - Knowledge gaps
  - Number of questions on the topic
- Review all the test specifications – anything there could appear on the exam(s)
- Practice all the calculations – by hand and spreadsheet

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- Look for the “Big Picture”
  - Avoid information silos
  - Develop an understanding of the main tasks involved in financial planning and analysis, then let the individual tasks fall into the process
- Look for connections within the material
  - The word “to” means divide
- Allow for a few weeks of review between completing the material and your test appointment