PMP Exam Cheat Sheet (2025 Updated)

Quick Revision Guide to Pass the PMI PMP Exam

PMP Exam Overview:

- Exam Name: Project Management Professional (PMP)

- Conducted by: Project Management Institute (PMI)

- Total Questions: 180

- Time: 230 minutes

- Question Types: MCQs, Drag & Drop, Hotspot, Matching

- Domains:

  People 42%

  Process 50%

  Business Environment 8%

Process Groups (5)

1. Initiating

2. Planning

3. Executing

4. Monitoring & Controlling

5. Closing

Knowledge Areas (10)

1. Integration Management Develop Project Charter

2. Scope Management Define Scope

3. Schedule Management Sequence Activities

4. Cost Management Determine Budget

5. Quality Management Control Quality

6. Resource Management Develop Team

7. Communications Management Manage Communications

8. Risk Management Identify Risks

9. Procurement Management Conduct Procurements

10. Stakeholder Management Manage Stakeholder Engagement

PMP Formulas to Remember:

- $EV = \%\ Complete\ BAC$

- $CV = EV - AC$

- $SV = EV - PV$

- $CPI = EV / AC$

- $SPI = EV / PV$

- $ETC = (BAC - EV) / CPI$

- $EAC = AC + ETC$

- Communication Channels $= n(n\ 1)/2$

Key Concepts & Tips:

- Focus on Servant Leadership (Agile mindset is heavily tested)

- Understand Change Management Process

- Learn Agile vs Predictive vs Hybrid approaches

- Master Stakeholder & Communication Management

- Always think like a Project Manager, not a technician

Top 5 Must-Read Topics:

1. Conflict resolution strategies (Collaborate, Compromise, Force, Avoid, etc.)

2. Risk response strategies (Avoid, Mitigate, Transfer, Accept, Exploit, Enhance)

3. Critical Path Method (CPM)

4. Agile roles (Scrum Master, Product Owner, Team)

5. Change Request Flow in Integration Management

Final PMP Exam Tips:

- Practice mock exams under timed conditions

- Stay calm; dont spend more than 1.5 min/question

- Use elimination strategy for situational questions

- Revise this cheat sheet 1 day before the exam

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