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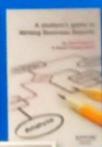






















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# Introduction

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# How to use the Materials

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The product range contains a number of features to help you in the study process. They include:

- 1 Detailed study guide and syllabus objectives
- 2 Description of the examination
- 3 Study skills and revision guidance
- 4 Study text
- 5 Question practice

The sections on the study guide, the syllabus objectives, the examination and study skills should all be read before you commence your studies. They are designed to familiarise you with the nature and content of the examination and give you tips on how best to approach your learning.

The Study Text comprises the main learning materials and gives guidance as to the importance of topics and where other related resources can be found. Each chapter includes:

- The learning objectives contained in each chapter, which have been carefully mapped to the examining body's own syllabus learning objectives or outcomes. You should use these to check you have a clear understanding of all the topics on which you might be assessed in the examination.
- The chapter diagram provides a visual reference for the content in the chapter, giving an overview of the topics and how they link together.
- The content for each topic area commences with a brief explanation or definition to put the topic into context before covering the topic in detail.
   You should follow your studying of the content with a review of the illustration/s. There are worked examples which will help you to better understand how to apply the content to the topic.
- Test your understanding sections provide an opportunity to assess your understanding of the key topics by applying what you have learned to short questions. Answers can be found at the back of each chapter.
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**Key point** – Identifies topics that are key to success and are often examined.



**Test your understanding** – Exercises for you to complete to ensure that you have understood the topics just learned.



Illustration – Worked examples help you understand the core content better.



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### Syllabus

### Core areas of the syllabus

- A conceptual framework for financial reporting.
- A regulatory framework for financial reporting.
- Financial statements.
- Business combinations.
- Analysing and interpreting financial statements.

## **ACCA Performance Objectives**

In order to become a member of the ACCA, as a trainee accountant you will need to demonstrate that you have achieved nine performance objectives. Performance objectives are indicators of effective performance and set the minimum standard of work that trainees are expected to achieve and demonstrate in the workplace. They are divided into key areas of knowledge which are closely linked to the exam syllabus.

There are five Essential performance objectives and a choice of fifteen Technical performance objectives which are divided into five areas.

The performance objectives which link to this exam are:

- 1 Ethics and professionalism (Essential)
- 2 Stakeholder relationship management (Essential)
- 6 Record and process transactions and events (Technical)
- 7 Prepare external financial reports (Technical)
- 8 Analyse and interpret financial reports (Technical)

The following link provides an in-depth insight into all of the performance objectives:

https://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA\_Global/Students/per/PER-Performance-objectives-achieve.pdf