

A young woman with long dark hair, wearing a green turtleneck and a dark jacket, is smiling broadly and looking slightly to her right. She is in the foreground, and behind her is a blurred crowd of diverse people, suggesting a busy public space or event.

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**F7 Exam
Performance
Review for 2018
March Session**

Agenda

1. Overview
2. Exam performance review for March session
3. Study support
4. Summary

1. Overview

1.1 Exam format

1.2 Essential skills required



1.1 Exam format

Section	Style of question type	Description	Proportion of exam, %
A	Objective test (OT)	15 questions X 2 marks	30
B	Objective test (OT) case	3 questions X 10 marks Each question will contain 5 sub-parts each worth 2 marks	30
C	Constructed response (long questions)	2 questions X 20 marks	40
Total			100

1.2 Essential skills required

- **Discuss** and **apply** a conceptual and regulatory frameworks for financial reporting
- **Account** for transactions in accordance with International accounting standards
- **Analyse** and **interpret** financial statements
- **Prepare** and present financial statements for single entities and business combinations in accordance with International accounting standards

2. Exam performance review for March session

2.1 Exam performance analysis by section

2.2 Word processing and spreadsheet techniques

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Section A

Feature	Exam technique
Cover a broad coverage of the syllabus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No question spot
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Ignore” answer options until questions are fully worked

Section B

Feature	Exam technique
Test a topic in more detail than Section A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cover the whole syllabus
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apply knowledge to the scenario given
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use up-to-date texts and technical articles to ensure knowledge is contemporary

2.1 Exam performance analysis by section

Section C

Feature	Exam technique
Cover a wider range of syllabus area	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Study the whole syllabus
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practice specimen and past questions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Answer the question in a professional manner<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Clear and well presented workings- Heading and sub-heading- Logical and clear points (avoid points repeatedly)- Conclusion/recommendation provided based on analysis

2.2 Word processing and spreadsheet techniques

Word processing

- Ensure all working are shown when appropriate (e.g. ratio)
- Use headings and paragraphs in a clear manner

Spreadsheet

- Focus on a well-structured layout
 - Show full workings with clear label
 - Present the answer in a easy way for marker to read
- Fully utilise the software functionality
 - Calculation can be automated
 - Any mistakes are quickly corrected

3. Study support

- CBE practice resources

- Specimen exam
- Past exam
- BPP/KAPLAN mocks

- Other key resources

- Technical articles
- Examiner's report
- Syllabus and study guides

- Student service account



4. Summary

- Read the Syllabus and Study Guide
- Study thoroughly
- Practise as many past exam questions as possible
- Fully utilise all study support
- Develop business awareness

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Thank you !