



CERTIFIED EXPERT

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This guide provides all the information you need to get started in preparing for Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) and recertification exams. Passing ACE and recertification exams demonstrates your proficiency with Adobe software products and allows you to promote your expertise with customers and employers. As an ACE, you can stand out from your competitors and be noticed.

ACE Frequently Asked Questions

What is an ACE? What are the benefits of being certified? What are the exams like? Get all your ACE questions answered in a brief, to-the-point FAQ.

Four-Step Check List

Learn about the process for getting certified.

Step 1: Choose your certification level.

Step 2: Register for your exam(s).

Step 3: Prepare for and take your exam(s).

Step 4: Read the ACE Agreement and join the Adobe Certified community.

Exam Topic Areas and Objectives

Review the test content—topic areas and objectives—for each product exam. The topic lists will help direct your studies, so please review correctly.

Practice Exams

Review sample questions to get an idea of the types of questions that will be on the exam. *Note: Though helpful, these practice exams are not necessarily representative of the difficulty of the questions that you will encounter on the actual exam.*

Practice exams are available for all of the following Adobe products:

- Adobe Acrobat 6.0 Professional
- Adobe Acrobat 7.0 Professional
 - Print Production
 - with Adobe LiveCycle™ Designer
- Adobe After Effects® 6.0 Professional
- Adobe After Effects® 7.0 Professional
- Adobe GoLive® CS
- Adobe GoLive CS2
- Adobe Illustrator® CS
- Adobe Illustrator CS2
- Adobe InDesign® CS
- Adobe InDesign CS2
- Adobe Photoshop® CS
- Adobe Photoshop CS2
- Adobe Premiere Pro
- Adobe Premiere Pro 2.0



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. What is an Adobe Certified Expert (ACE)?

A. An Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) has earned a certification created specifically for graphic designers, Web designers, video professionals, system integrators, value-added resellers, developers, or business professionals seeking recognition for their expertise with Adobe products. By passing one or more ACE exams, you become eligible to promote yourself to prospective clients as a highly skilled, expert-level user of Adobe software.

Q. What is the main benefit of passing ACE exams and becoming Adobe certified?

A. Adobe certification is an industry standard in excellence that can be used to demonstrate your product knowledge and expertise, and also serves as a catalyst when finding a job or seeking a promotion. The Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) and Adobe Certified Instructor (ACI) logos and credentials have been created for self-promotional use by individuals who have met all requirements of the Adobe Certified Expert or Adobe Certified Instructor programs. Those who have passed the tests may place certification logos on business cards, resumés, Web sites, and other promotional materials.

Q. What are ACE Specialist and ACE Master?

A. There are three levels of Adobe certification.

1. Single product certification: Recognizes your proficiency in a single Adobe product. To qualify as an ACE, you must pass one product-specific exam. Example: ACE, Adobe InDesign CS2
2. Specialist certification: Recognizes your proficiency in a specific medium: Print, Web or Video. To become certified as a Specialist, you must pass the exams on the required products listed below. Example: ACE Print Specialist (with passing marks on the tests for Adobe InDesign, Adobe Acrobat, and either Adobe Photoshop or Adobe Illustrator)

Specialists must pass all required (R) exams and any one elective (E) within any given certification track:

	Print Specialist	Web Specialist	Video Specialist
Adobe InDesign	R	—	—
Adobe GoLive	—	R	—
Adobe Acrobat*	R	E	—
Adobe Photoshop	E	R	R
Adobe Illustrator	E	E	—
Adobe Premiere	—	—	R
Adobe After Effects	—	—	R

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*Adobe Acrobat 7.0 Professional Print Production exam only.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

3. Master certification: Recognizes your skills in terms of how they align with the Adobe product suites. To become certified as a Master, you must pass the exam for each of the products in the suite. Example: ACE, Creative Suite Master (with passing marks on the tests for Adobe Acrobat, Adobe GoLive, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, and Adobe Photoshop)

Q. What is an Adobe Certified Instructor (ACI)?

- A.** An Adobe Certified Instructor (ACI) is an ACE who provides instruction on Adobe products. ACIs must have an instructor qualification (a teaching credential, passed the CompTIA CTT+ (<http://www.comptia.org/certification/ctt/>) or equivalent), in addition to passing one or more ACE exams. For more information, visit the ACI home page, <http://www.adobe.com/support/certification/aci.html>

Q. How do I prepare for an ACE Exam?

- A.** The keys to preparing for an ACE exam are experience with the product and studying this Exam Preparation Guide (<http://partners.adobe.com/public/ace/main.html>). To access online training, user guides, and many other study materials, visit Adobe's training resources page (<http://www.adobe.com/support/training.html>). The following resources may also help you prepare for your ACE exam:

- Adobe product user guides
- Adobe Press books
- Adobe Authorized Training Centers (find the AATC nearest you through the Adobe Partner Finder online at: http://partners.adobe.com/asn/partnerfinder/search_training.jsp)
- Adobe online training at www.adobe.elementk.com
- Tutorials and materials from Total Training, at www.totaltraining.com
- Other training resources online at www.adobe.com/support/training.html

Q. How do I get training?

- A.** Once you know what product you want to get certified in, use the Adobe Partner Finder (<http://partners.adobe.com/asn/partnerfinder/trainingprovider/index.jsp>) database to locate an Adobe Certified Instructor or an Adobe Authorized Training Center in your area that teaches a class on the Adobe product you want to learn. Contact them directly for more information about their classes and registration details.

Q. What are the benefits to becoming an ACE?

- A.** As an individual with an ACE, you can:
- Differentiate yourself from competitors
 - Get your resumé noticed
 - Attract and win new business
 - Gain recognition from your employer
 - Get the inside track on Adobe's latest offerings
 - Leverage the power of the Adobe brand and resources

If you are an employer, use ACE as a benchmark so you can:

- Find the right person for the job
- Quickly assess candidate skill level
- Invest in your most promising employees
- Increase productivity and efficiency

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Q. What type of exam are the ACE exams?

A. Adobe ACE exams (which are administered by Pearson VUE and Thomson Prometric, independent third-party testing companies) are computer-delivered, closed-book tests consisting of 60 to 90 multiple-choice questions. Each exam takes approximately one to two hours to complete, and results are given to you at the testing center immediately after you complete the test.

Q. What type of exam are the recertification exams?

A. Adobe recertification exams are Web administered exams that are available to current ACEs only. The exams are delivered to your desktop via the Web. The tests consist of 30-60 multiple choice questions focusing exclusively on new product features. Each exam takes approximately one half to one hour to complete. Results are revealed immediately after you finish.

Q. How do I register for an ACE exam?

A. Contact Pearson VUE or Thomson Prometric by phone, on the Web, or in-person:

	Pearson VUE	Thomson Prometric
Register online	www.pearsonvue.com	www.2test.com
Register in-person	Find a location online at www.pearsonvue.com	Find a location online at www.2test.com

Q. What is the fee for the ACE exam?

A. Each exam is US\$150 or local currency equivalent.

Q. What is the fee for the recertification exam?

A. The fee for Web administered ACE recertification exams is US\$50 or local currency equivalent.

Q. Soon after I passed an ACE exam, the exam was published for a new product version. Do I have to successfully complete the new exam within 90 days?

A. You may continue to use the ACE logo and materials in accordance with the Adobe Certified Program Guidelines for Logos and Credentials. When the ACE and recertification exams are published for the next version of the product, you must successfully complete that exam within 90 days to keep your ACE status current and continue using the ACE logo and materials.

Q. What can I expect from Adobe if I pass the ACE exam?

A. As soon as you pass the exam, your name and exam results are given to us by Pearson VUE or Thomson Prometric, our worldwide test administrators. Your exam data is then entered into our database. You will then be sent an ACE Welcome Kit and access to the ACE logo. You are also placed on our certification mailing list to receive special Adobe announcements and information about promotions and events that take place throughout the year.

Q. How long does it take to receive my Welcome Kit?

A. You can expect your Welcome Kit to arrive four to six weeks after we receive your exam results.



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FOUR-STEP CHECK LIST

STEP 1: Choose your certification level

There are three levels of certification to become an Adobe® Certified Expert. Choose the one that's right for you.

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Example: ACE, Adobe InDesign CS

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STEP 2: Register for your exam(s)

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To register for your ACE exam(s), contact Pearson VUE or Thomson Prometric by phone, on the Web, or in person. Please note, all recertification Web based exams are delivered through Thomson Prometric only.

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Register in-person	Find a location online at www.pearsonvue.com	Find a location online at www.2test.com



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STEP 3: Prepare for and take your exam(s)

The keys to preparing for an ACE exam are experience with the product and studying using the Exam Prep Guide. To access online training, user guides, and many other study materials, visit Adobe's training resources page.

The following resources may also help you prepare for your ACE exam:

- Adobe product user guides
- Adobe Press books
- Adobe Authorized Training Centers (find the AATC nearest you through the online Adobe Partner Finder)
- Adobe online training from Element K (<http://adobe.elementk.com>)
- Tutorials and materials from Total Training (<http://www.totaltraining.com>)
- Other online training resources

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STEP 4: Sign the ACE Agreement and join the Adobe Certified community

Review the ACE Agreement prior to taking the exam. You will be asked to agree to the ACE terms and conditions at the time of the exam.

Once you are ACE certified, visit the Adobe Certified community where you can:

- Verify exam results
- Get a copy of the ACE Agreement
- Download your Adobe Certified logo
- Find out about recertification
- Connect with other Adobe certificants
- Update your profile

Note: Information about the Adobe Certified Community is also printed on your score report.

Recertify when necessary

Once obtained, your ACE certification is valid until 90 days after the exam version of your certification is retired. Adobe will e-mail you a reminder when your certification is due for renewal and will let you know when you need to take the recertification exam.

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ACE EXAM TOPIC AREAS AND OBJECTIVES

ACE Exam Content: Topic Areas and Objectives

Following is a detailed outline of the information covered on the ACE Exam.

1. Configuring the user interface

- Given a window, explain the purpose of and describe options for that window.
- List and describe how to use the options available for managing and customizing the user interface.
- Manage how windows and panels are displayed in the user interface.
- Given a feature or tool in the Timeline window, describe the purpose of that feature or tool.

2. Setting up projects

- Configure the Project window by using the available tools and features in the Project window.
- Given an option in the General section of the Custom Settings tab in the New Project dialog box, describe that option.
- Given an option in the Project Manager dialog box, explain the purpose of that option.
- Configure preference options for a project.
- Given a scenario, configure Playback settings.

3. Capturing media

- List and describe the features Premiere Pro provides for native HDV.
- Given a video capture method, capture video by using that method.
- Given a device transport control, explain the purpose of or how to use that control.
- Describe the workflow and steps required to perform a batch capture.
- Capture video by using device control.
- Discuss issues and import still images into a project.
- Discuss issues and import digital audio into a project.

4. Editing

- Discuss proxies and explain how they are used in an editing workflow.
- Edit footage from a multiple-camera shoot.
- Given an editing tool, edit footage by using that tool.
- Explain the differences between inserting a clip into a sequence versus overlaying a clip in a sequence.
- Discuss workflows related to 24p footage.

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- Discuss the various aspects of timecode in Adobe Premiere.
 - Discuss workflow and implement nested sequences.
- 5. Working with effects and transitions**
- Given a motion effect, adjust settings and apply that effect to a clip.
 - Given a keyframe interpolation method, describe the effect that method has on the motion of a clip.
 - Describe the options available, and correct the color of a clip by applying the Fast Color Corrector effect.
 - Describe the process required and the options used to composite a title and video clip by using the moving Track Matte Key effect.
 - Modify how a transition is applied by using options in the Effect Controls tab.
 - Explain the difference between single-sided versus double-sided transitions.
 - Discuss the benefits, when to use, and requirements for GPU affects/ transitions.
 - Given a scenario, configure the Timecode effect.
- 6. Creating titles**
- Given a feature or function associated with the Adobe Title Designer, describe the purpose of that feature or function.
 - List and describe the options available for working with text in titles.
 - Describe the process required to create a static title.
 - Describe the process required to create rolling or crawling titles.
 - Discuss how to manage titles.
 - Explain how to properly preview titles by using overlay.
 - Create a title from a template.
- 7. Working with audio**
- Given a scenario, use the audio mixer.
 - Describe the differences associated with editing in timecode display versus audio units.
 - List and describe the advantages of using VST plug-ins.
 - Describe the differences between clip effects and track effects, and the impact of keyframes.
 - Discuss how Premiere Pro supports the implementation of ASIO.
 - Given a clip, map the source channels of that clip.
 - List and describe how to work with 5.1 audio.
- 8. Creating DVDs**
- List and describe the different marker options.
 - Add DVD markers to the timeline.
 - Use a template to create a DVD menu.
 - Modify an existing DVD menu.

- Add motion menus and animated buttons.
- List and describe DVD encoding and burning options.

9. Producing output

- Given an option in the Export Movies Settings dialog box, explain the purpose of or when you would use that option.
- Given an option in the Export Settings dialog box of the Adobe Media Encoder, explain the purpose of or when you would use that option.
- Explain the process required to conduct a review by using clip notes.

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PRACTICE EXAM

Try out these helpful practice questions to get a feel for the types of questions on the ACE exam, but please note that your performance here does not indicate how you'll do on the actual exam. To fully prepare for the exam, closely review the topic areas and objectives in this guide.

- 1. Given a feature or tool in the Timeline window, describe the purpose of that feature or tool.**

Double-clicking on the work area bar in the Timeline panel _____.

- A. .causes the Timeline to play in preview mode
- B. causes the work area bar to extend the length of the project
- C. renders the section of the Timeline the work area bar covers
- D. causes the work area bar to extend the length of the Timeline panel

Correct Answer: D

- 2. Given an option in the General section of the Custom Settings tab in the New Project dialog box, describe that option.**

Which mode should you select from the Editing Mode drop-down menu in the General section of the Custom Settings tab in the New Project dialog box?

- A. .one that allows you the greatest flexibility in your editing
- B. one that most closely reflects the specifications of the source footage
- C. one that most closely reflects the specifications of the final movie you want to create
- D. one that allows you to use the type of display you have available on your editing system

Correct Answer: B

- 3. Given a video capture method, capture video by using that method.**

You have Scene Detection turned on and perform a capture by using In and Out points.

What happens if Adobe Premiere Pro detects a scene between a preset In point and a preset Out point?

- A. The In and Out points are ignored.
- B. The Scene Detection break point are ignored.
- C. The Scene Detection breaks up the clips between the In and Out points.
- D. The In and Out points act as handles around the Scene Detection points.

Correct Answer: C

- 4. Given an editing tool, edit footage by using that tool.**

Which type of edit is created when you use the Selection tool to Control-drag the edit point between two clips on the Timeline?

- A. a slip edit
- B. a slide edit
- C. a ripple edit
- D. a rolling edit

Correct Answer: C

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5. Discuss workflows related to 24p footage.

How does Adobe Premiere Pro treat 24P footage when you import it?

- A. as 24 fps interlaced footage
- B. as 23.976 fps interlaced footage
- C. as 24 fps progressive scan footage
- D. as 23.976 fps progressive scan footage

Correct Answer: D

6. Describe the options available, and correct the color of a clip by applying the Fast Color Corrector effect.

Which control in the Fast Color Corrector effect has the greatest effect on lightening the shadows in the clip?

- A. Auto White Level
- B. Auto Black Level
- C. Input White Level Gamma Slider
- D. Input Black Level Gamma Slider

Correct Answer: B

7. List and describe the options available for working with text in titles.

How many objects must you select in the Adobe Title Designer to use the Distribute object tool?

- A. at least one
- B. at least two
- C. at least three
- D. any number of objects

Correct Answer: C

8. Discuss how Premiere Pro supports the implementation of ASIO.

Which statement about Full Duplex is true?

- A. Full Duplex doubles the recording capacity of the sound card.
- B. Full Duplex allows recording and playback to occur simultaneously.
- C. Full Duplex allows both digital and analog sound to be played at the same time.
- D. With Full Duplex, recording is initiated first, but both recording and playback can occur simultaneously.

Correct Answer: B

9. Modify an existing DVD menu.

You are working in the DVD Layout panel.

How should you change the font used to label Scene buttons in an existing DVD menu?

- A. right-click the label; choose the font from the Context menu
- B. select the label; choose the font from the Effect Controls panel
- C. double-click the label; enter the new font in the Change Text dialog box
- D. format the text in a word processing application and paste the formatted

text on the label in the DVD Layout panel

Correct Answer: B

10. Explain the process required to conduct a review by using clip notes.

What do Clip Notes allow you to do?

- A. add metadata text to individual clips
- B. allow customers to change edit points through an xml interface
- C. allow customers to add metadata text to a sequence through a PDF document
- D. allow customers to add metadata text to individual clips through a PDF document

Correct Answer: C

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