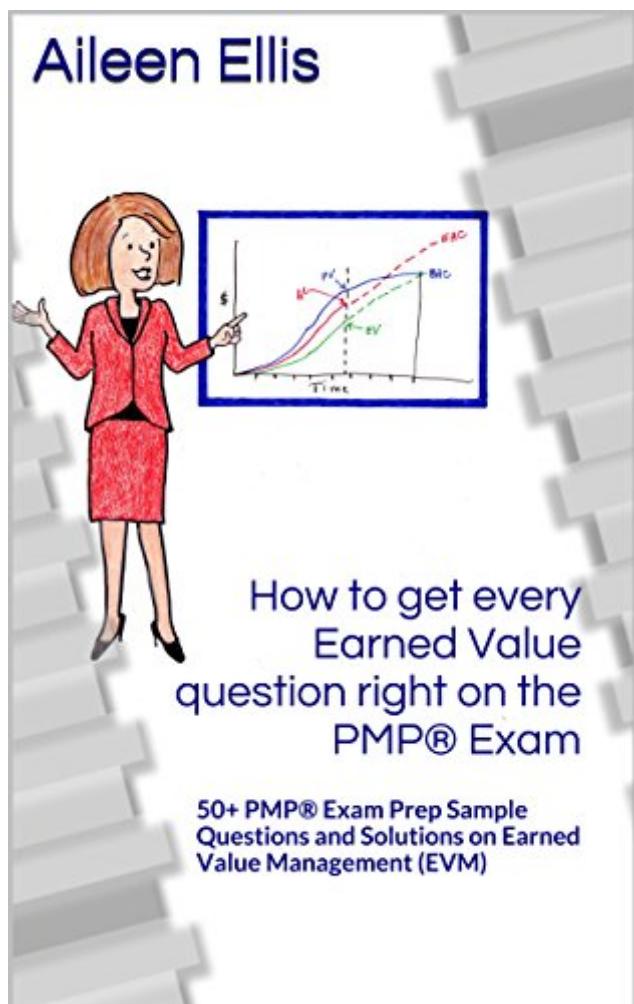


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# How To Get Every Earned Value Question Right On The PMP® Exam: 50+ PMP® Exam Prep Sample Questions And Solutions On Earned Value Management (EVM) (PMP® Exam Prep Simplified Book 1)





## **Synopsis**

To learn to ride a bike, a person must ride a bike. To learn to pass the PMP® Exam, a person must practice with hundreds and hundreds of sample questions. This book is the first book in our series of Kindle books - PMP® Exam Preparation Simplified. Over the last 16 years Aileen has helped over 10,000 project managers in her workshops obtain their PMP® credential. Often when these project managers come into the PMP Exam Prep workshop the topic of earned value management (EVM) is overwhelming. After participants pass the PMP® Exam they often contact Aileen to share their success. Many will even say very quietly with a smile and a wink: "I think I got every Earned Value Management (EVM) Question on the exam right." Aileen's intent through the book -How to get every Earned Value Management (EVM) question right on the PMP® Exam and through the series -PMP® Exam Prep Simplified is to help every project manager not only learn to pass the PMP\* Exam but also learn to manage projects better. The goal for organizations is increased project success- one PMP® at a time. The goal for individuals is to gain the knowledge and confidence to pass the PMP® Exam without wasting time and money.

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This Kindle book is largely a good resource for study and will benefit students. The book is very short and is composed of a preface of 4 pages another section titled Set Up composed of just over 1 page. Part One is a very brief explanation of key Earned Value terms and concepts. On the first page is a link to a short You Tube Video (8 Min). The video will be of value to those who need a very basic refresher of Earned Value. Earned Value is explained in a clear fashion in this video. The explanations in Part One are accurate and useful, with one exception. The TCPI-BAC and TCPI-EAC formula explanations and interpretations are not accurate. There is a wide and very common mis-understanding of this key Earned Value index in Earned Value books. Thus far, very few authors have accurately explained and interpreted the TCPIs. Part Two is the practice test of 50 questions and the test questions are very well written. Writing good test questions is difficult and creating a good set of multiple choice answers is challenging. This author has done a fine job in both respects. I took the test as any student would with pencil and calculator at hand. All test questions were accurate presentations of Earned Value and will challenge the student. One area of improvement is related to the TCPI issue cited above. The test could be improved through the incorporation of TCPI-EAC and TCPI-BAC questions and testing student interpretation. In summary, if you need to practice Earned Value formulas, then this practice test will help you towards that goal. However, you will need to seek another source for accurate understanding and interpretation of the TCPI-BAC and TCPI-EAC. Buy the book and test your understanding of Earned Value.

I passed my PMP exam on Saturday, August 8, 2015; and, am confident that I successfully answered all of the Earned Value questions correctly because I read and completed the problems in this book. My real appreciation for having acquired this book occurred when I was exhausted and was approaching the last 50 questions during the exam. Unexpectedly, an earned value question popped up and I did not slow down due to any confusion. Due to the repetition and practice I received, I knew instinctively if a project was on/over/under budget and on/ahead/behind schedule; and it did not matter if I was looking at a graph, or given a value such as a: CPI, CV, SPI, SV or VAC. In addition I completely understood the two TCPI formulas, and when and where they were used. I am grateful to the author, Aileen Ellis for dedicating her time and effort to developing this book as a study aid for those of us (in my case am now a PMP) who are sincerely interesting in becoming a PMP.

Ms. Ellis' book is an extremely helpful resource for individuals preparing for the PMP Exam,

especially for those who have had little or no experience with EVM on their projects. It offers clear definitions up front, then moves into a series of Exam practice questions. The book teaches readers how to analyze each question in order to select the best answer for a particular question and to avoid any detractor selection. It is also an excellent refresher for math skills that may be rather rusty! Ms. Ellis' concise yet thorough explanations of the "best answer" help readers grasp the EV concepts and apply them to other sample questions. When I took the Exam, I found this book saved me considerable time, as through its explanations and sample problems I had learned to quickly identify which details from a narrative scenario were relevant to the question, which I could ignore, and which formula I needed to solve the problem. The book therefore not only helped me more confidently answer the Exam's earned value questions, it also gave me extra time to return to other questions I'd marked for review, both factors in passing on my first attempt.

Aileen Ellis is right on the money when she is simplifying math calculations in preparation of the PMP Exam. I am a Project Manager who is also teaching adults math reasoning and strategic thinking. "How to get every Earned Value question right on the PMP Exam" is a living testimonial that demonstrates data analysis and math reasoning is more critical than just memorizing formulas for this exam. Aileen Ellis is also performing an excellent job at her video to make things simple and straight to the point. If you ever panic when you see equations across a page, you are not alone. But this book is an easy-to-use guide that banishes your fear of mathematics and put you on the right track to succeed on the PMP Exam. It is about mastering Earned Value math and solving PMP problems without spending hours with boring textbooks. On behalf of our Project Management community, I rate this book with 5 stars because Aileen Ellis takes a real-world approach that helps us to learn math when we need it for the PMP exam.

This is a great resource for mastering EV questions and pinpointing areas you need to spend more time understanding/memorizing. I read the PMBOK and another PMP study guide prior to purchasing this mini-book but wanted to supplement my knowledge with another resource and questions. This book has a short section outlining the important EV topics and then jumps into 50 questions and answers. What I like about this book is that each question is on its own page and the answers are all at the end of the book, you can either review the answers as you go or complete all 50 questions and then go through the answers. I haven't taken the PMP exam yet but I think this mini-book has really helped prepare me for any EV questions thrown at me, I plan on going through it a few more times over the next month to really master EV.

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