ACA CC 2019 After Effects
Exam Tutorial
Sections and Timing

This exam has two sections: a section with questions you will answer in this window and a section with tasks you will perform in After Effects.

You will have 50 minutes to complete both sections.

After completing the first section, you will see a Section Summary page that allows you to review only the questions in that section. You will not be able to revisit those questions after you select the Submit Section button on the Section Summary page.

Next, you will see a tutorial that will help you complete the tasks. Tutorials are not timed. After you complete the second tutorial, you will complete the After Effects tasks. You will be able to review only the After Effects tasks from the second Section Summary page. At the end of the exam, you will have the opportunity to leave feedback on questions, tasks, and the exam as a whole.

Select the Next button to proceed through the tutorial.
Question Section Navigation

The questions in this section are presented using standard and interactive question types. Read the instructions carefully. The questions have controls at the top and bottom of the page that allow you to progress through the section. The following image shows these controls:

1. Identifies the question you are completing and the total number of questions in this section. Monitoring your progress using these numbers will help you ensure that you have enough time to complete all questions on the exam.
2. Reports how much time you have remaining to complete the exam. Time is shown in hours:minutes:seconds.
3. Select the **Reset Question** button to reset all selections on the question. For example, in a Matching item like the one shown above, clicking **Reset Question** returns all options to the list on the left.
4. Move the horizontal splitter bar to change the percentage of the screen height used to display the question versus the answer area.
5. Move the vertical splitter bar to change the percentage of the screen width used to display the options versus the answer area.
6. Select the **Back** button to return to the previous question. Your response will be saved when you click Back.
7. Select the **Help** button to display help for the specific type of question.
8. Check **Mark for Review** if you want to remember to return to this question from the Section Summary page.
9. Check **Leave Feedback** if you want to remember to leave feedback on this question.
10. Use the **Summary** button to view the list of all items in this section. You can return to any item from the Section Summary screen to continue your work on that item. You can also exit this section of the exam from the Section Summary screen.
11. Click **Next** to save your response and proceed to the next question.
Question Section Summary

After completing the final question, you will reach the Section Summary page.

Each question you marked for review will be indicated. You can navigate to any question from this page. To return to a specific question, select the question number. To return to this page from the question, select the Section Summary button. After you finish reviewing tasks, select the Submit Section button to proceed to the task section.

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Section Summary

The table below shows a list of all the questions. Each question you Marked for Review is indicated. To return to a specific question, select the question number.

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After Effects Task Section

In the second section, you will complete tasks using After Effects. Each task is displayed in the Certification Test panel.

Most tasks begin with a starter document loaded. You do not need to save the document after you complete the task, unless you are instructed to do so in the task. Your work on the starter document will be saved automatically when you select the Next or Back button.

**Important:** Make sure you commit any changes you make to the timeline or effect controls before you move to the next or previous item. To commit these changes, press Enter (Return on Mac) or click outside of the timeline or effect controls panel.

Almost all application functionality is available to you to complete each task. You will receive credit for any method of completion that meets the task requirements.

If After Effects crashes or you need to quit the application while you are taking the test, you can resume the exam where you left off. Your progress will be saved for all tasks you submitted.

A few features will be blocked during the exam. These include:

- Open
- Help
- Adobe Bridge
- Adobe Stock
- CC Library

Do **not** try to access these features during the exam. None of these features are necessary to complete the exam.
Working with the Certification Test Panel

The Certification Test workspace contains only the Certification Test panel. You will need to open other workspaces or display other panels from the Window menu in order to complete tasks. The Certification Test panel has also been added to the default workspaces.

The Certification Test panel acts like any other panel in After Effects. You can float it, dock it, or resize it. Resize the panel as needed to see the task content.

**Important:** Do not close the Certification Test panel; your task and all navigation buttons will disappear. Do not reset any of the default workspaces. Doing so will cause the Certification Test panel to be removed from that workspace.
After Effects Task Navigation

The Certification Test panel includes the controls you need to navigate the exam and manage your time. The following image shows these controls.

1. Identifies the task you are completing and the total number of tasks on the exam. Watching these numbers will help you ensure you have enough time to complete all tasks.
2. Reports how much time you have remaining to complete the exam.
3. Use the **Reset Task** button to reset the document to its starting state. You will need to successfully complete the task again to score a point, so use this button with caution.
4. Use the **Back** button to return to the previous task. Selecting the **Back** button saves any work you have done on the current document.
5. Use the **Help** button to display general help for the After Effects task item type. **Note**: This is not an application Help button.
6. Check **Mark for Review** if you want to remember to return to this task from the Section Summary screen.
7. Check **Leave Feedback** if you want to remember to leave feedback on this task.
8. Use the **Summary** button to view the list of all items in this section. You can return to any item from the Section Summary screen to continue your work on that item. You can also exit this section of the exam from the Section Summary screen.
9. Select **Next** to save your document and proceed to the next task.
Task Instruction

The text in the Certification Test panel describes the task you must perform to receive a correct score.

Here are some guidelines to keep in mind:

• You only need to change the settings specified in the task. If a setting value is not specified, keep the default value.
• Do not make any additional changes to the starter document. For example, only change layer names and groups if the task requires it.
• If you are asked to save or export a file, always save it at the default location or the location specified in the task. Do not navigate to other folders.
• Do not add assets to CC Library.

The screenshot shows a sample item with typographic formatting applied. Each number identifies a feature of the item.

1. The Exhibit tab provides reference images to help you complete tasks. For tasks that have exhibits, click the Exhibit tab in the Certification Test panel to see the reference image. You can also click on the Exhibit link in the item to see the exhibit tab.
2. Italicized text refers to a filename you must import or an existing part of the document. For example, italicized text might reference a layer or text in a document.
3. **Bold italicized** text is text that you must type.
4. The dotted underline indicates text that you can click to copy and then paste into Premiere Pro. If you want to paste text in a dialog box, copy the text before opening the dialog.
Task Section Summary

After completing the final task, you will reach the Section Summary page.

Each task you marked for review is indicated. You can navigate to any task from this page. To return to a specific task, select the task number. To return to this page from the task, select the Section Summary button. After you finish reviewing tasks, select the Finish Section button.

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Exam Feedback

After completing the task section, select the Leave Feedback button to leave feedback on individual questions or tasks. You might need to resize the Certification Test panel to see the feedback button.

You will see the first question. Leave feedback on that question by selecting the Leave Feedback button. You can navigate through the questions and tasks using the Next and Back buttons. You cannot make changes to your answers while leaving feedback. You will have 10 minutes to enter your feedback.

To view a list of all questions and tasks, select the Section Summary button to visit the Exam Summary page. Each question or task you marked for feedback is indicated. You can navigate to any question or task from this page by selecting its hyperlink. After you finish leaving feedback on individual questions and tasks, select the Finish Section button to view the Thank You page.

Select the Next button to leave feedback for the exam. On the exam feedback page, you can provide feedback using the prompts, or enter your own feedback. You might need to resize the Certification Test panel to see the entire feedback screen. Select the Next button to review your Score Report.
You must select the **Exit Exam** button to upload your Score Report. You cannot save or print your Score Report while in the exam. After your Score Report has been uploaded, you can view and print it by logging into the Certiport website. You may need to resize the Certification Test panel to view the entire Score Report.