CompTIA A+ Complete Study Guide: Exams 220-801 And 220-802
Synopsis

CompTIA Authorized, fully updated Study Guide for the leading IT certification: CompTIA A+

CompTIA A+ is the de facto certification for IT technicians. Some vendors even require employees to achieve certification as part of their job training. This book prepares you for both required exams: 220-801 and 220-802. Totally updated to cover the 2012 exams, this popular prep guide covers all the exam objectives. Readers will also have access to additional study tools, including the Sybex Test Engine with bonus practice exams, electronic flashcards, and a glossary of important terms in searchable PDF form. Includes a coupon for 10% Off CompTIA Certification Exams A complete study guide to both exams required for CompTIA A+ certification, the standard certification for software and hardware vendors and major technology companies Covers personal computer components, laptops and portable devices, operating systems (including mobile), printers and scanners, networks, security, safety and environmental issues, communication, and professionalism Provides clear and concise information on crucial hardware and operating system maintenance and troubleshooting topics Offers practical examples, real-world insights, exam highlights, and end-of-chapter reviews CompTIA A+ Complete Study Guide prepares the diligent student to pass both parts of the A+ exam with confidence.

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The CompTIA A+ Complete Study Guide is an exhaustive book. It starts with Motherboards, Processors and Memory and ends with Understanding Operational Procedures (for Part 1 - 220-801). Part II, 220-802 starts with operating system basics and progresses through Windows
software and ends with SW and HW Troubleshooting. Each chapter includes photos and graphics and concludes with Review Questions. The answers to the review questions are available in an appendix. Each chapter also includes performance based questions and answers for those are provided in an additional appendix. It includes a good Table of Contents and a very thorough Index. At over 1100 pages, you’ll find this study guide useful as you prepare for your test. All in all this is a fine study guide.

This book has to be one of the most detailed CompTIA A+ study guides I have ever seen. It goes over everything in great detail starting from the basics, sometimes I think they start a little too basic, but it never hurts to refresh! The book reads very easily, even my "mostly" computer illiterate friend gave it a shot and not only did he understand everything, but he asked if he could borrow it when I was through with it! Another feature I liked about this book is that it uses lots of illustrations and graphics of how everything works and not just saying "Find the ... menu and do ..." like so many other books I’ve gotten. My only suggestion/complaint about this book is that it’d be very nice if there was an e-book format with the book seeing as carrying around 1000+ page book around to classes gets old fast.

The book is GREAT, however...... all the extra downloadable content they promise isn’t available unless you register using a credit card with them. No thank you. So If its ONLY a book you want without Support, this is a nice book, Very technical but nice. Had they given the online support they promised, I would of rated this book a solid 5 star!

Great book. I read a chapter a day (studied and took notes; read over the notes constantly), and passed both A+ exams without fail within 2 weeks. Used the certificate on my resume and got myself into an IT job in less than a month.

There is a lot in this book, and you can definitely pass the exam based on it if you learn it. It’s definitely worth your time in a case like this to go look at the previews and see if it’s written in a manner that you understand. That’s a tough spot to predict when it comes to educational texts. The extra materials like the flash cards are actually available by registering at the Sybex website. Among other things, this means that you definitely need to have the ability to download the files and get them onto a computer that you can access regularly if you want to get use out of them. There are questions at the end of each chapter which have answer keys with explanations at the end of the
book. There is also an assessment test at the beginning, which is very nice to have since it helps you to point your study time at the places that are most likely to benefit. Make good use of the extra study tools here. Passing the exam is better done by knowing everything pretty well than by learning half of the book absolutely perfectly. The actual exam is mostly multiple choice, so there isn't a whole lot of time that goes into trying to pull answers out of thin air. You have to know enough to be able to assess that some options are plainly hopeless, and then pick out what makes sense. The remainder of the test includes the need to actually perform tasks, and Sybex has updated this guide to give you a sense of what kinds of things you need to be able to do well.

Comprehensive, discount coupons. I think this has everything I could possibly want in a study guide. I was referred to this guide by the instructor of a course I took as a source of more indepth information.

I used this book almost exclusively to study for the A+ exam and I passed easily. The only downside is the book is a little dry and has more info then what you need to pass the exam but that isn’t necessarily a bad thing. I should probably mention that I have around 5 years experience a bachelors degree so some of the stuff I knew before hand. Either way, this is a great study guide.

I just passed the A+ 801 test and am about to take the 802 test. I used this book and the downloadable software with all the sample tests. I used some other material as well and created a giant spreadsheet for referencing information so I worked hard to make sure I passed, and compared to the Michael Meyers book, I found this one to be a lot more focused on the material.

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