

## PSM Study Plan

### SCRUM Certification Study Guide

1. **Read the Scrum Guide twice:** Familiarize yourself with the fundamental concepts and framework of Scrum. Pay special attention to terms, roles, duties, and timeboxes.
  - Scrum Guide
2. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles** after each reading of the Scrum Guide. This helps internalize the core values of Agile.
  - [Agile Manifesto](#)
3. **Take the Scrum Open Quiz** until you achieve a 90% score: This helps in self-assessment and reinforces your understanding of Scrum concepts.
  - [Scrum Open Quiz](#)
4. **Read the Scrum Guide twice again:** Reinforce your knowledge by revisiting the guide.
5. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles again** after each reading.
6. **Take the Scrum Developer Quiz** until you score 50%: This quiz focuses on the technical aspects of Scrum.
  - [Scrum Developer Quiz](#)
7. **Read the Scrum Guide twice once more:** Continuous revisiting helps retain critical information.
8. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles again** after each reading.
9. **Take the Scrum Product Owner Quiz** until you score 90%: This quiz focuses on the product management aspects of Scrum.
  - [Scrum Product Owner Quiz](#)
10. **Read the Scrum Guide twice again:** Reinforce the Scrum framework principles.
11. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles** after each reading.
12. **Take all three quizzes in succession** and average your score to reach 85%: This ensures you have a well-rounded understanding. If you fail, revisit the Scrum Guide and retake the quizzes.
13. **Complete 25% of the Scrum Master Certification learning path videos and articles:**
  - [Scrum Master Learning Path](#)
14. **Read the Scrum Guide twice:** Consistency is key.



15. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles again** after each reading.
  16. **Read the Scrum Guide and focus on problem areas** to verify knowledge: Address any knowledge gaps.
  17. **Ask certified professionals for clarification on specific topics:** Practical insights can clarify doubts.
  18. **Skim the Scrum Guide:** Do a final recap before the test.
  19. **Recite the Agile Manifesto values and principles** once more before taking the test.
  20. **Take the Mock Exam:**
    - [Vets2PM Mock Exam for PSM](#)
  21. **Take the Test:** Apply your knowledge and approach the exam with confidence.
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### Thinking Behind Memorization

Memorization is essential to:

- **Foundation of Mastery:** Memorizing fundamental Scrum concepts ensures a solid grasp of the basics, crucial for advanced understanding and practical application.
  - **Consistent Language:** Knowing and using precise Scrum terminology improves communication with peers and during the certification exam.
  - **Better Retention:** Repetition aids long-term retention, making it easier to recall information during the exam and in real-world applications.
  - **Confidence Building:** Familiarity with the material reduces exam anxiety and increases the likelihood of success.
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### Exam Information

The PSM I exam consists of **80 questions** to be answered within a **1-hour timebox**. It tests your understanding of Scrum concepts and their application to real-world scenarios.

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