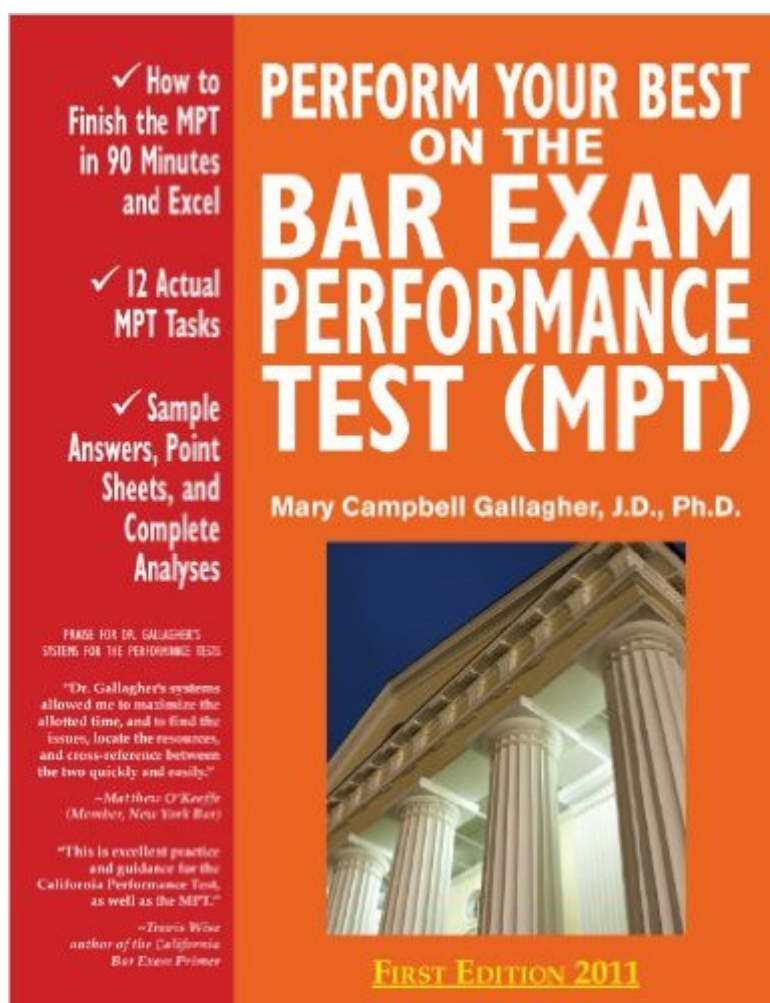


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# Perform Your Best On The Bar Exam Performance Test (MPT): Train To Finish The MPT In 90 Minutes, Like A Sport(TM)



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In *Perform Your Best on the Bar Exam Performance Test (MPT)* you will learn to target the grading points the graders actually use to grade the MPT, so you can raise your bar exam score without knowing more law: How to get more points by responding precisely to the Partner Memo, How to get more points by crafting powerful topic headings, How to get more points by maximizing your research. You will learn Dr. Gallagher's unique time-saving MPT-Matrix(TM) graphic system for noting research on the MPT quickly on one sheet of paper, cutting note-taking, saving time, and giving you a blueprint for rapid drafting. Plus twelve (12) actual MPT tasks, as released by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE), including a range of difficulty and a variety of formats, 12 sample answers, 12 analytic notes on those tasks, and 12 Graders Point Sheets. Plus simple templates for briefs, memos, and letters.

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I really like the grid sheet method this book teaches. I am sure that I'll use that same method for real life law practice as well. This book tells you exactly how much time you should spend on reading each section in the MPT booklet, organizing the materials, and writing. I did not do as many MPT practices as Mary recommends in this book. But doing a few practice questions while strictly adhering to the method taught in this book gave me a tremendous confidence. I felt ready. I saw MPT as extra bonus section for me to pass the NY bar. Results? I passed the July 2013 NY bar. Get this book, summarize the key points, and strictly follow them when practicing. You will do well.

This book takes the "mystery" out of the MPT. This is a scientific, organized approach that is quite simplistic yet allows you the ability to organize a lot of material in a concise manner. The "grid method" Dr. Gallagher teaches really helped me tremendously on the examination. I have found it quite interesting that most preparatory courses do not encourage much preparation for the MPT---yet it is 100 points of 10% of the exam in NYS. I can not recommend this book highly enough---it will really give you confidence on this section of the bar and allow you to finish in a timely manner with a well constructed answer. David Seubert, MD Rochester, NY

I took BarWrite<sup>™</sup>'s bootcamp and used this book. I am 110% confident that it was the BarWrite course that put me over the top on re-taking the exam. You<sup>™</sup>re gambling with and risking a passing score if you take the bar exam without first taking the MPT BarWrite course. Take the course, buy this book. The best money I EVER spent for bar prep.

In her new book, "Perform Your Best on the Bar Exam Performance Test (MPT)", Dr. Mary Gallagher presents a practical, step-by-step process for helping bar applicants deliver their best performance on the MPT. The key to her approach is a very straight-forward (but unique) schema that helps the applicant organize voluminous, and often complex materials into a manageable format, making it much easier to address the task in the allotted time. Dr. Gallagher very accurately diagnoses the problems that most bar candidates experience with the test: time management, following directions, properly analyzing the question, among others. She provides excellent solutions for each of these issues. The book is divided into sections based on the most common MPT tasks (objective memos, persuasive briefs, etc...). For each MPT task she uses a sample MPT examination to walk the applicant through her unique process for reading, organizing, analyzing, and writing answers to the questions. To augment these strategies, she includes a generous compilation of released MPT questions that can be used for further practice. Dr. Gallagher's years of experience as a teacher and coach come through in the book. As you read it, you have the feeling she is right there with you - giving advice, making suggestions, and building confidence. Her book is a welcome addition to the landscape of bar review materials, and will undoubtedly help many bar candidates pass the MPT. I highly recommend it. D.L. Rudley Houston, Texas

As a former bar examiner and instructor of MPT workshops, I found this book to provide a welcome approach to preparing for and taking the Multistate Performance Exam. Because success on the

MPT depends on analytical skills, time management, attention to organization, and good writing skills, it tests different abilities than the rest of the bar exam tests. The key to success on the MPT is (1) understanding what the exam tests and what the graders are looking for and (2) practice and more practice of the skills needed to pass the exam. Dr. Gallagher's book provides everything an examinee needs to succeed on the MPT. I have heard, anecdotally, that the commercial bar prep courses do not spend sufficient time on MPT preparation, so it behooves examinees to make an additional effort to prepare for the MPT. This book is an excellent way to do that. It is hard to imagine that an examinee who read the entire book and did all of the exercises would not pass the MPT portion of a bar exam.

Perform Your Best is a thoughtful and well-crafted guide to doing well on the Multistate Performance Test. The author has devised a pragmatic system for handling the analysis and outlining tasks that are critical to success on this part of the bar exam. The system is painstakingly explained, thoroughly illustrated, and woven into an overall approach that emphasizes time management and rigorous organization. The tone is candid and encouraging, and the message is consistent and clear. A dozen sample tests give readers a thorough sense of what the test entails and excellent opportunities for practice. Perform Your Best will steady the nerves of any candidate facing a 90-minute performance test as part of the bar examination marathon.

Dr. Gallagher's method for attacking the MPT gave me the confidence and organizational skills I needed. Her system will help anyone perform better on the MPT. It's by far the best method taught on how to attack the MPT. Barbri does not give you a clear way to approach the MPT. Dr. Gallagher's matrix method can be used on any MPT and will allow you to answer the issue being asked in the most efficient way within the time restraint.

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