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Earning the CBAP® certification is the accumulation of y professional development and knowledge; crossing the t just affirms what you've learned throughout your career. Nevertheless, preparing for the 150-question CBAP® ce exam requires structure in your preparation approach an effective use of your time. Here are some hints for the l ahead:

1. **The IIBA® Business Analysis Body of Knowledge (BABOK®), Version 1.6, is your roadmap.** The CBA will require you to blend your experiences with the guid in plus its cited references. When preparing for the exam brush up on topics, knowledge areas, and techniques fr *BABOK®* V1.6.
2. **Know the IIBA® answer.** Most of the time, wh comparing your lessons learned with the stated guidelin *BABOK®* V1.6, your experiences will be confirmed. How instances when your lessons learned don't match the *B* remember your objective: passing the exam. Know the ; answers of the governing body that is offering the certif
3. **Contact a local IIBA® chapter.** Many chapters groups and contacts of peers who have already achieve CBAP® certification. Also, if you aren't already a membe you'll want to join after certification, and the CBAP® exa \$125 less for members (it essentially reimburses the \$1: application fee required of all certification candidates).
4. **Work with a study group.** Study group activiti best approach to exam preparation other than taking a i prep course. Suggested study group activities include:
 - Conducting a walk-through of CBAP® applications b submission and ensuring that experiences cited fall exam qualification guidelines.
 - Chart the processes of the six knowledge areas in t V1.6 and understand the natural sequence (parallel

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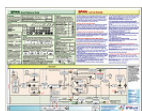
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of the flow.

- Create a group glossary of terms, ensuring the definitions are derived from the *BABOK®* V1.6 and other *BABOK®* V1.6 references as needed.
- Review and compare techniques cited in the *BABOK®* V1.6. Know when and in which situations to use them (strengths, weaknesses and alternative techniques).

5. Individually conduct a self-assessment on specific topics. Identify your weak areas and beef up your knowledge on those topics. In addition, familiarize yourself with the jargon used in each knowledge area. This preparation can take from one to three months of part-time study, depending on your study group progress and level of experience.

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