## C • CHAPTER ONE

## DON'T BOTHER COPYING OUT THE TEXTBOOK, IT IS A WASTE OF TIME

### Skillset of a Prize Winner



Picking out what the question is actually asking and answering it concisely is crucial. As well as good attention to detail and always relating back to the scenario, especially for APM.

Being able to work hard consistently whilst making time for a social life (super important so you don't become a loser) helps to stay focused.

## Advice to students studying



Do loads and loads of questions. You pick up so much content from just practising questions and marking it yourself. Don't bother copying out of a text book, it is a waste of time.

Re-word sections that are important into flashcards and test yourself frequently. Most importantly, make time to go out and do things you enjoy to keep yourself

#### Career Advice



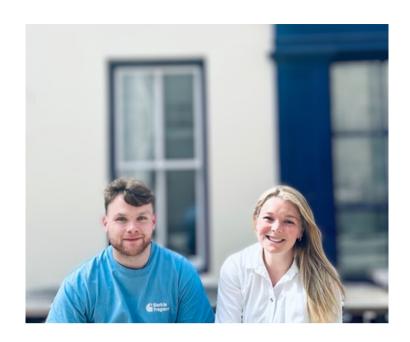
Take time to ask a lot of questions about what you're doing at work to make sense of things. Same goes with studying. It's a long journey that is hard work, so try think of the end goal.

Keep yourself social and do what you enjoy – even if you really enjoy accounting, do something else as well!

## Most brutal advice received



Charlotte telling us all to start revising from the first day of the PM course or we would 100% fail and would most likely not complete the ACCA qualification... wasn't what I expected to hear at 9:15am on a Monday morning!



# BECOMING A PRIZEWINNER

Charlie Pierce - ACCA Advanced Performance Management - IQ-EQ Jersey

Charlie Pierce was recently awarded the Gold medal certification by ACCA, for attaining the highest mark in the world, for the March 2023 sitting of ACCA's Advanced Performance Management exam.

We asked Charlie a few questions to help future students achieve the passes that we are all aiming for.

## Describe accounting in Emojis



## What will you miss most about Chapter One?

The fun environment at Chapter One. The team are so easy to get on with and genuinely care about how you are doing, not just in terms of your studies. They will always go out their way to help you out in any way they can. Over the course of your exams you build up a good relationship with all of the team, making college something you look forward to.

### 🕣 Favourite moment from Chapter One so far

A fellow student bartering with someone to buy a mattress from Facebook market place being played out loud to the class when he was attending remotely on Teams.

"APM is a subject which, although initially seems straightforward, can catch out candidates if they don't approach the questions in the correct way. The syllabus isn't huge, it just takes a lot of question practice and diligent marking to ensure that the student provides the examiner with exactly what they are looking for.

Charlie writes extremely well and succinctly, and took all comments on board. It also helped that he had a genuine interest in the subject and applied his own logic to exam scenarios.

We have always laughed about my day one PM chat. However, I truly believe that if you can get PM under your belt with a great work ethic, you are flying for the rest of the exams." Charlotte - APM Tutor