

Tracking Your MBE Answers

APPENDIX F

Name : Jane Smith **Subject :** Contracts (If mixed, put “mixed” or list the subjects you’ve used) **Percentage Correct:** 45%

Sub-topic Pattern: This should be the sub-topic that you did the worst on, for example, “Formation” or “Offer” or “Negligence.” If the subjects are split rather evenly, state that. For example, maybe out of 20 questions you got ten wrong, and four were Offer, four were Offer, four were Damages, and two were Consideration. Write offer and damages—this is a record for you.

Overall Pattern: Look at the reasons why the answer is right or wrong. What patterns persist?

#	Topic	Sub-topic	Selected Answer	Level of Certainty	Correct Answer	Code	Review/Reasons for Outcome and Plan of Action
1	The MBE subject you are studying (ex: Contracts)	The sub-topic of the greater subject (ex: Offer, Consideration, Damages)	A	Are you 100 percent certain? Not at all certain? This will help you decide how to study.	C	The reason why you got the answer right or wrong. See “Tracking Codes” on the next page. This is how you are going to learn from doing these questions and correct your mistakes.	Was there something you could take away from the question—a nuance of the law or a reminder to read carefully? What is your study plan? How will you remedy this question in the future? The only time you don’t have to fill out this part is if you got the question right and you were confident!

Tracking Codes: Why Did You Get an Answer Right or Wrong?

Keeping track of WHY you chose certain answers (in the margins, for example) is going to help you pick the appropriate code. This is also why we suggest that you do three to five questions at a time when tracking, so that you remember your thought process when choosing answers. Here are some examples of codes for tracking, though we invite you to edit them or create your own.

Code	Reasoning
LM	Law Memory: you need to review the relevant law. You missed an element or misremembered an element. Perhaps a good take-away is to put the law on flashcards. Essentially, this is a memory issue.
RC	Reading Comprehension: you answered the wrong question, misread the call of the question, misread a fact, misread the answer choices, or otherwise picked the wrong answer due to lack of careful reading. If this code is one you frequently use, perhaps break it down even further into "answered the wrong call of the question," "misread an answer choice," etc.
50/50	You narrowed the answer down to two choices, perhaps a classic case of knowing that the answer was "yes" but debating between two explanations.
Guessed	You simply guessed.
NC Q	No Clue Question: you don't understand the question, or what it's asking.
NC L	No Clue Law: you lack knowledge of the law, not memory. Maybe you have the elements memorized, but you don't know what they mean. Or maybe it's an area of law you've never seen before.
2G	Second Guessed: you changed your answer, or second guessed yourself.
RG	Right Guess: you were right, but guessed, or you came to the right conclusion for the wrong reasons.



MBE Tracking Sheet

Name: _____ Subject: _____ Percentage Correct: _____ %

Sub-topic Pattern: _____

Overall Pattern: _____

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