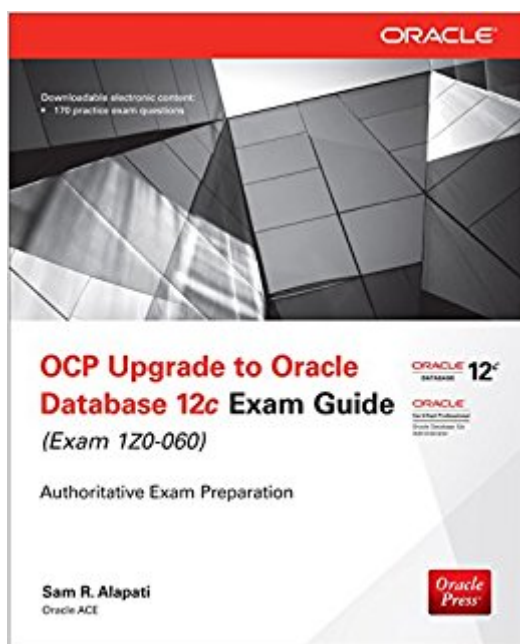


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The book is full of typographical mistakes, which should never have made it past the editor. Some of these mistakes are so obvious you can easily spot and fix (cross them out and replace with the correct info yourself using pen or pencil). Some mistakes are not obvious and you wind up studying the wrong information for your certification exam. One quick example: on page 300 it says the method to "back up a database" is to run the RMAN command "backup tablespace users, examples". Now, this example is in a section that describes how to backup tablespaces in a PDB, so a smart person knows where the mistake is, but like I said before there are a lot of these mistakes in the book and not all are so obvious. As a possible easy solution the publisher can update the PDF version of the book (a PDF comes free with the paper book) and make this updated PDF available on their support site. So far they have not done this. I previously purchased OCP books from other authors and publishers, and they too had mistakes but at least they offered a free errata sheet on-line.

It seems like every new features book Alapati releases gets worse than before. This book is rife with syntactical and grammatical errors. It is a shame that this is the only Oracle press book for the new features exam when there are so many better and more technical authors out there. I have no idea how you can expect to pass with this book.

Though there seems to be good coverage given to the subject, I am somewhat disappointed by this book's lack of clarity. For example, typographical errors are common. New terms are used in ways which make it easy to confuse one thing with another (CBDs, PDBs, containers, etc.) I get the feeling that this book was rushed to press. This book seems to be targeted for administrators who are already certified on the previous version (11g) of the Oracle RDBMS product; you can expect to

have greater difficulty comprehending this book if you are preparing to take the exam to upgrade your certification from 8i, 9i, etc.

Would give -5 stars if possible. Also would say the same for his other books. Look, this book has so many errors in it as to make it unreadable. However even if it weren't for the errors, this book is pitiful because it is basically the Oracle documentation, copied into another form, edited slightly and called a "book". This is VERY common with 3rd party technical "books". Most of them are simply copied from the base product's official technical documentation which is ALWAYS FREE. These "book writers" are simply capitalizing on the fact that most people have a ridiculous aversion to reading that free documentation. I on the other hand PREFER the official documentation and like to do my own rewrite of said FREE DOCS for study purposes. Hey, maybe I should publish MY rewrites and call it a "book". What little original text offered has NO RELEVANCE to the subject and seems to be words designed to stroke the writers ego and pad the length of a truly useless book.

This book is worth to use it preparing for the exam. Of course, it contains a lot of erratas: I found few ones myself even after reviewing an existing erratas list (<http://www.mhprofessional.com/downloads/products/0071819975/errata9780071819978.txt>). Some book questions contain mistakes as well. But after reading it carefully (better few times) and discovering these errors you will become pretty much prepared for the exam. :) Among other books I reviewed as the exam preparation tools this one is the best I guess. About 200 questions in the book itself, 177 questions from the enclosed CD will make you think and properly "digest" the information provided by the book to prepare for the exam. Comparing it with "Study Guide for 1Z0-060: Upgrade to Oracle Database 12c: Oracle Certification Prep" by Matthew Morris I think Sam Alapati's book is much better, more mature, more detail-oriented. It does not contain 'Core DBA skills' section, but 'New Features' section author devoted 100% of the book is unbeatable.

This book only covers part of the 1Z0-060 exam and, as mentioned previously, it is expected that you are upgrading from 11g OCP not from previous versions, even though Oracle now has this exam as the upgrade to 12c from OCP versions before 10g. You will need to supplement this book with other resources.

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