# PRINCE2® vs. PMP® – Frequently asked questions

1. **What is PRINCE2®? Who own the methodology? In which countries it is popular?**

   'Projects in a Controlled Environment' (PRINCE2®) is the premier Project management methodology, especially popular in UK/Europe/Australia and in some countries of the AsiaPac region. The PRINCE2® copyrights are now owned by AXELOS Limited.

   Many projects in UK Government use PRINCE2® for their project Management. Apart from UK, PRINCE2® is used in projects executed in many Commonwealth countries and by some companies in the USA/Middle East. PRINCE2® is applicable both for IT and Non-IT projects.

2. **What is the overview of the PRINCE2® framework?**

   The PRINCE2® framework includes four integrated elements of Principles, Themes, Processes and Environment. PRINCE2® is quite a structured methodology providing guidance to the Project Managers in considerable depth for successful execution.

3. **How PRINCE2® differs from PMP®? Which is better?**

   The development of the standards for project management across the years has many parallels. The focus in UK/Europe was on how to improve the chance of successful delivery of individual projects, whereas the focus from USA has been on developing the standards and propagating industry adoption.

   The general consensus is that both the standards and Certifications can complement the skills of the Project Managers. Whereas PMP® examination (based on PMBOK Guide) is generally descriptive; PRINCE2® model is generally seen to be more prescriptive. However, both the models address successful project management.

4. **What are the Service offerings envisaged by GRT Consulting LLP?**

   GRT Consulting LLP is an ATO accredited by APMG/AXELOS – for PRINCE2®/ MSP® and other related products. We are also a global R.E.P. affiliated with PMI, for provision of PDUs and bootcamps relating to certification oriented courses for PMP®/ PgMP®/ PfMP® etc.

5. **What is the overall Course Schedule for PRINCE2®/ PMP®?**

   The PRINCE2® Foundation and Practitioners’ Course typically runs for five days, alongwith conduct of the examinations.

   The Foundation course will run for three days, ending with the Foundation Certification examination (whose structure is explained below). Successful candidates clearing the Foundation examination then can go on to take the Practitioner course, running for two days, culminating with the Practitioner examination.
In so far as PMP® Boot camps – they run for four days with extended timings to address the 35 contact hours requirements.

6. What is the target profile of participants?

Anyone dealing with project management – Project/ Delivery Managers, PMO heads, Consultants etc.

For PMP®- the experience levels required are three years / 4500 hours of prior Project Management . PRINCE2® - as such does not ask for prior PM experience, However, the practitioner examination will pre-suppose the candidates having the experience of handling live projects.

7. What is the course and Examination structure for the PRINCE2® Foundation Certificate?

PRINCE2® Foundation level is aimed at enabling the candidate to act as an informed member of the project team. The Foundation Exam Format is of 75 multiple-choice questions of duration – including 5 trial questions. 35 marks out of 70 test questions is required to pass. Exam duration is of one hour and the exam is of closed book.

Candidates must first pass the Foundation exam before proceeding to the Practitioner level. The Foundation exam results are declared before candidates go in for Practitioner level course.

8. What is the course and Examination structure for the PRINCE2® Practitioner Certificate?

The Practitioner’s Certification is intended to assess whether the candidate is able to apply PRINCE2® method to the running and managing of a project. The Practitioner Exam is a “Scenario based” question examination lasting Two and Half hours. This is an open–book format 44 out of 80 marks is required to pass. Only PRINCE2® Manual may be used during this examination.

9. Which is the structure of the GRT PMP Bootcamp workshops?

PMP bootcamp workshop will run for four days and will cover all the knowledge areas/ process groups etc as per PMBOK Guide and additional references. Quizzes and case studies/ additional mock tests etc would be provided as a part of this workshop.

10. Why GRT?

GRT workshops are conducted by experienced practitioners – who bring real life flavor to the methodologies. Our workshops are very interactive and we believe in imparting PM knowledge – apart from just gaining certifications.

Pl. Contact kalpana@grt-consulting.com ( + 98445 15795 ) to know more about these Workshops.

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