

CompTIA Network+ Certification Exam N10-002

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Recommended Reading:

1. **Network + Study Guide. Third Ed.** Groth, David. Sybex Publishing 2002
2. **Cramsession.com Network + Study Guide**
<http://studyguides.cramsession.com/cramsession/comptia/network/>
3. **Learnhat.com Tutorial/Questions**
<http://www.learnthat.com/courses/computer/networkplus/>

Preparing for the Exam

To adequately prepare for the CompTIA Network+ exam, thorough attention to detail and sufficient amounts of study time must be spent in order to understand and pass the material presented. The majority of certification questions will be based on the information presented in *the Network+ Study Guide* (around \$50) by David Groth. In this book, the information is wonderfully represented for all levels of comprehension, and he explains everything from network fundamentals, the OSI model, all the major network operating systems, TCP/IP, WAN and Remote Access technologies, Fault Tolerance and Disaster Recovery, and Network Troubleshooting. I would recommend reading each chapter and taking notes on any unclear points. The book comes with a CD which contains chapter tests, and a few comprehensive tests. **TAKE EVERY TEST!** They are almost exactly like the real certification exam, and help to condition you to remember the key information.

The second vital resource to look through is the [Cramsession.com](http://studyguides.cramsession.com/cramsession/comptia/network/) study guide (free). About 30 pages, this is a VERY condensed version of the book, and goes over key points needed for the exam. This is a great tool to refresh your memory AFTER you have read through all the information in Groth's study guide.

Finally, [Learnhat.com](http://www.learnthat.com/courses/computer/networkplus/) has several tutorials to help refresh your memory, and a few online tests which will help quiz you even further. This is also a great online resource because the questions are different than those on Groth's study guide. I felt this was valuable to me because it seemed to sharpen my skills further by making me equate all of the information learned in both study guides.

Registering for the Test

The test is around \$200.00, 75 questions, and usually administered in a 90 minute time frame. To register for the test, visit www.vue.com or the CompTIA website at www.comptia.com. If you prefer to register over the phone, call the VUE testing office at 1 (800) 511-3478. They can tell you where the closest testing facility is, when the exam is being offered, etc. Remember to show up to the testing facility early, complete every question, and mark every question you are unsure of for later review. Good luck, and hopefully this information will be valuable to you on road to Network + Certification!