

## Take Home Exam

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### What is it?

A take home exam is a type of open book exam. In a take home exam, you get several days, or even weeks, to work out your answers and submit them. In that sense, a take home exam is similar to a report or assignment you submit. A take home exam may consist of one or several questions that require a longer answer.

### What kind of questions will there be?

A take home exam usually does not ask for short answers. The answers cannot literally be found in the coursebook, syllabus, or other (online) sources. The questions are more focussed on:

- application, e.g. *Compare model X to model Y*
- giving and/or explaining examples, e.g. *Illustrate the theory of X with an example from your own environment; explain why situation X is an example of theory Y*
- analysis and giving solutions, e.g. *What is the exact problem in case X, and what approach do you suggest?*

### How do I get started?

- Do not copy text to your exam, but show you understand the materials, that you are able to explain in your own words, that you can apply it, give examples, substantiate statements using your own notes.
- Start with a draft. Write down briefly everything you want to include in your answer. Next, you can write or type this out on your exam form.

### How can I pay attention to my language?

- Pay attention to your language, especially in longer answers. Try to formulate a well-structured and coherent answer. Answer to the point. Respect the basic rules for correct and appropriate language: write full sentences, use capitals and punctuation marks, avoid abbreviations.