

Exam Preparation Tool: Knowledge Rating

The Knowledge Rating is a strategy that allows you to determine the order in which to study course concepts. The steps for using this tool are as follows:

- 1) Use course materials such as the syllabus to make a list of topics/concepts that will be on the exam.
- 2) Sorts the topics according to how familiar you are with each one.
- 3) Begin studying topics with which you are less familiar
 - a. From the “Not Very Familiar” column, or
 - b. From the “Somewhat Familiar” column if understanding a topic in that column is a prerequisite for understanding a topic in “Not Very Familiar”
- 4) After a study session or sessions, the Knowledge Rating can be used to monitor how much you have learned by re-sorting the terms and noting which have moved to the left.

This tool can be used to initially sort larger units in the course, and can also be used within units or sections to monitor understanding of terms and concepts within that section.

Knowledge Rating:

Quite Familiar	Somewhat Familiar	Not Very Familiar

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