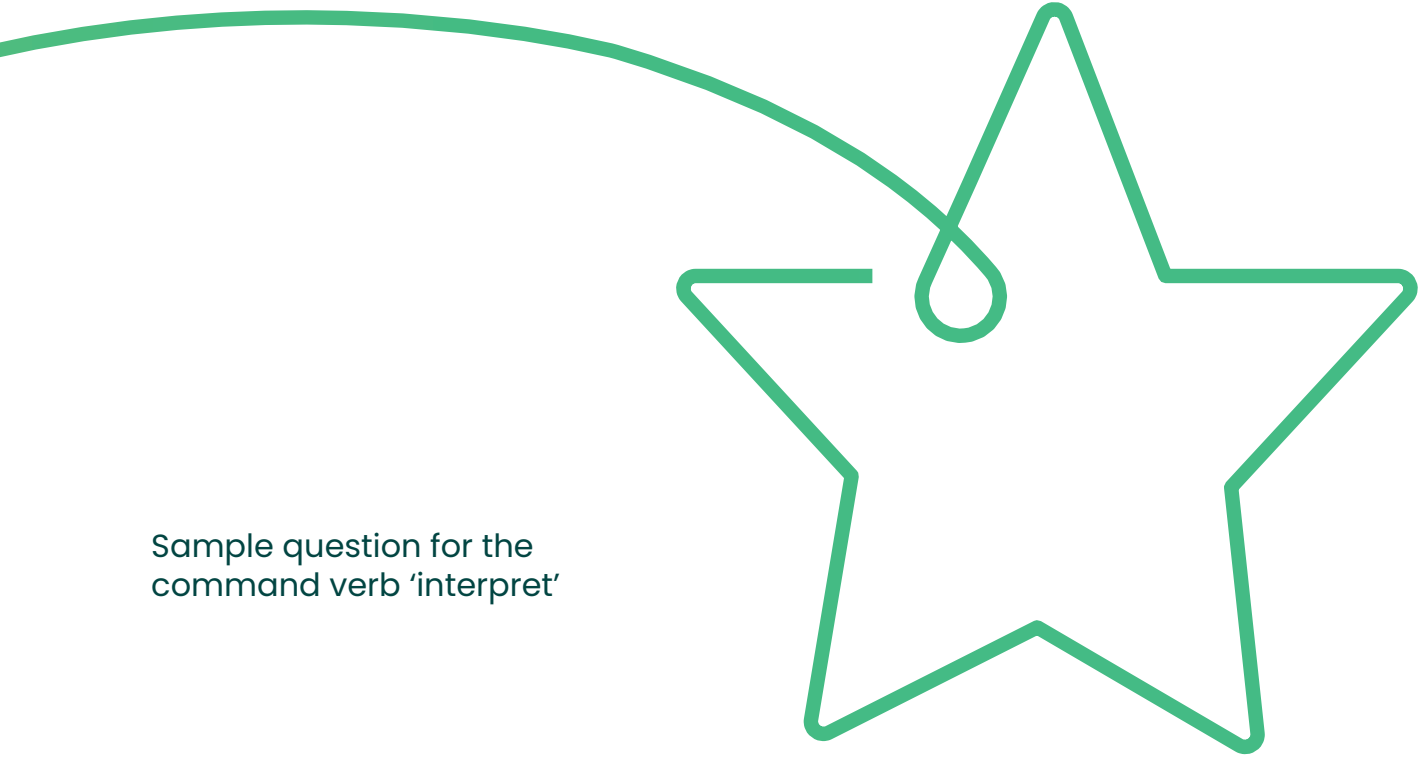


# APM Project Management Qualification



Sample question for the  
command verb 'interpret'

## Introduction

To help you adequately prepare, this document shows a sample part a) question which uses the command verb 'interpret'. The sample question is similar to the ones used in the APM Project Management Qualification exam.

The sample question assesses your knowledge and understanding of the following assessment criteria from the syllabus aligned to the APM Body of Knowledge 7th edition.

- 6.14 interpret earned value data (including variances and performance indexes)

## The sample question

### Assessment criteria

6.14: interpret earned value data (including variances and performance indexes)

### Command verb

Interpret: Translate information/data into another form to aid understanding, to demonstrate understanding or to inform a future action.

### Learning outcome

Understand planning for success.

### Question:

Interpret the earned value information provided below for a project.

Given the likely schedule impact and cost estimation at completion, propose two practical responses the project manager could take and a justification for each.

A project has a budget at completion of £120,000 and is planned to be completed in 10 months. The table below shows the project's progress at the end of month 5:

Task	Planned budget	Actual cost	Earned value
Total at month 5	£60,000	£40,000	£50,000

CPI = 1.25

SPI = 0.83

EAC = £96k

Planned time/SPI = 12 months

Marks: **20 marks (10 marks each)**



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