

Into the Wild Practice Test (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. How did the other McDonald's employees regard McCandless?**
 - A. Dirty and smelt bad**
 - B. Reliable and showed up to work everyday**
 - C. Worked at slow pace**
 - D. Thing about socks and that he always wore shoes without socks**

- 2. What was Burres's assessment of McCandless's ability to survive in Alaska?**
 - A. She told him that he need knives**
 - B. Maybe trade them down the road**
 - C. Accept some long underwear and warm clothing**
 - D. She was concerned but thought he would be fine in the end due to this past experiences**

- 3. How does the author describe McCandless at the moment Franz dropped him off in Colorado?**
 - A. He was relieved that he had avoided human intimacy and baggage**
 - B. He longed for deep human connection**
 - C. He felt overwhelmed by society**
 - D. He planned to rejoin his family**

- 4. What best describes Stuckey's impression of McCandless during their talk?**
 - A. Enjoyed his company and then decided to drive to him all the way to Fairbanks**
 - B. He thought he was shy and well-mannered**
 - C. He disliked him**
 - D. He thought he was reckless**

- 5. Which university did Chris McCandless attend and graduate from with honors?**
 - A. University of Virginia**
 - B. Harvard University**
 - C. Stanford University**
 - D. Emory University**

- 6. Which location is mentioned as part of McCandless's travel with the canoe?**
- A. The Great Lakes region**
 - B. The Gulf of California / Mexican border**
 - C. The Pacific Northwest**
 - D. The Atlantic Coast**
- 7. How did Krakauer get to Alaska?**
- A. Took a cruise ship**
 - B. Drove to Alaska, abandoned car, got a ride with tree planters to Thomas Bay**
 - C. Flown directly by air**
 - D. Traveled by train to Anchorage**
- 8. How are McCandless and Chris described in terms of attitude toward risk?**
- A. Both thought invincible**
 - B. Both sought safety**
 - C. Both avoided risk**
 - D. Both acted to protect others**
- 9. Which insect problem did the hikers encounter on the way to the bus site?**
- A. Bees**
 - B. Mosquitoes**
 - C. Flies**
 - D. No insects**
- 10. What best describes Carine's life when the author met her?**
- A. Carine had peace with her parents and a good relationship.**
 - B. She bought an expensive new home.**
 - C. She owned an auto repair company with her husband.**
 - D. She moved away from her family.**

Answers

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1. B
2. D
3. A
4. A
5. D
6. B
7. B
8. A
9. B
10. A

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Explanations

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1. How did the other McDonald's employees regard McCandless?

A. Dirty and smelt bad

B. Reliable and showed up to work everyday

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D. Thing about socks and that he always wore shoes without socks

Understand that this question tests how the narrative portrays McCandless's work habits and how those around him reacts to his presence. In Carthage, when he worked at a McDonald's, McCandless was described as reliable: he showed up consistently, did his job without complaint, and kept to himself in a quiet, steady way. This dependable, punctual behavior left a positive impression on coworkers and the owner, who valued his steadiness and work ethic. The other potential descriptions don't fit the portrayal in the text—the emphasis is on his reliability and regular attendance, not on being dirty, slow, or fixated on socks.

2. What was Burres's assessment of McCandless's ability to survive in Alaska?

A. She told him that he need knives

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The idea being tested is how Burres views Chris's ability to handle the Alaska wilderness: she's worried about the danger, but she believes his past experiences and independent nature give him a fighting chance. Burres had watched Chris grow into someone who could rely on himself and think on his feet, which makes her feel that, despite the risks, he might manage in the end. The other options miss that nuanced mix of concern and faith in his self-reliance. She isn't focused on gear or bargains; she's expressing a balanced outlook: caution about the environment, tempered by the conviction that his previous experiences could help him endure.

3. How does the author describe McCandless at the moment Franz dropped him off in Colorado?

- A. He was relieved that he had avoided human intimacy and baggage**
- B. He longed for deep human connection**
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This moment shows McCandless leaning into solitude and independence, shedding the weight of emotional ties and expectations that come with ordinary human relationships. When Franz drops him off in Colorado, he experiences relief at being free from intimacy and baggage—the kind of attachments that would anchor him to conventional life. This aligns with his recurring pattern of valuing self-reliance and minimal commitments over connection. The other possibilities don't fit because they imply a desire for closeness, a sense of being overwhelmed by society, or a plan to return to family, none of which matches this scene's sense of relief at avoiding deeper social entanglements.

4. What best describes Stuckey's impression of McCandless during their talk?

- A. Enjoyed his company and then decided to drive to him all the way to Fairbanks**
- B. He thought he was shy and well-mannered**
- C. He disliked him**
- D. He thought he was reckless**

The main idea here is that Stuckey's encounter with McCandless left him positively impressed and drawn to continue the connection. He found McCandless engaging and easy to talk to, enough that he chose to go out of his way—driving all the way to Fairbanks—to meet him. This shows that Stuckey saw something compelling in McCandless and was motivated to pursue the relationship further, rather than feeling wary or dismissive. The other options don't fit because they describe negative or neutral judgments (disliking him, thinking he was shy and well-mannered, or labeling him as reckless) that aren't supported by the idea that he enjoyed their talk and took a concrete step to reach him.

5. Which university did Chris McCandless attend and graduate from with honors?

- A. University of Virginia**
- B. Harvard University**
- C. Stanford University**
- D. Emory University**

Chris McCandless's college years are tied to Emory University in Atlanta, where he earned a history degree and graduated with honors in 1990. This detail anchors a key moment in his life before his later travels, showing where he completed formal schooling and achieved academic distinction. Emory is the institution associated with his education, which is why it's the correct choice. The other universities listed—University of Virginia, Harvard, and Stanford—don't align with his documented education history.

6. Which location is mentioned as part of McCandless's travel with the canoe?

- A. The Great Lakes region**
- B. The Gulf of California / Mexican border**
- C. The Pacific Northwest**
- D. The Atlantic Coast**

The key idea here is identifying where McCandless's canoe journey moves toward. The narrative describes a canoe voyage that extends to the Gulf of California, the body of water along the Mexican border, highlighting this southwestern route as the Canoe segment of his travels. That connection to the Sea of Cortez explains why this location is the best choice. The other regions—Great Lakes region, Pacific Northwest, Atlantic Coast—aren't described as the canoe portion of his travels in the source material, so they don't fit this specific journey.

7. How did Krakauer get to Alaska?

- A. Took a cruise ship**
- B. Drove to Alaska, abandoned car, got a ride with tree planters to Thomas Bay**
- C. Flown directly by air**
- D. Traveled by train to Anchorage**

The main idea is that Krakauer's Alaska trip was a rough, hands-on journey that mirrors the rugged way he sought to understand the story firsthand. He describes driving up to Alaska, leaving his car behind, and then getting a ride with tree planters to reach the remote area around Thomas Bay. This improvised route—road travel followed by hitching with seasonal workers to a hard-to-reach location—fits his investigative approach and the book's emphasis on immersion in the terrain. The other modes of travel (cruise ship, direct flight, or a train to Anchorage) don't match the described path, which centers on getting into the backcountry the way locals and workers would.

8. How are McCandless and Chris described in terms of attitude toward risk?

- A. Both thought invincible**
- B. Both sought safety**
- C. Both avoided risk**
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The main idea is that they view danger as something to test, not something to avoid. Chris McCandless, who travels under the alias Alexander Supertramp, and the person pictured in the story share a bold belief in their own ability to handle risks. They push into risky situations—going off the grid, crossing remote terrains, and choosing harsh conditions—because they trust they can manage or overcome whatever comes their way. This sense of invincibility shows up in how they pursue experiences that many would consider dangerous, without letting fear or conventional safety concerns govern their choices. They aren't portrayed as seeking safety, avoiding risk, or trying to protect others—quite the opposite, as their actions are driven by a conviction that they can contend with danger on their own terms.

9. Which insect problem did the hikers encounter on the way to the bus site?

- A. Bees**
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- D. No insects**

Mosquitoes are the insect problem hikers commonly face on a path to a destination like a bus site. They're drawn to warmth and to standing water often found along trails, especially after rain, so they tend to swarm and bite hikers as they move. That combination—a nuisance that directly interrupts progress with bites and buzzing—fits the scenario well. Bees would suggest nearby hives or flowers and a risk of stings, which isn't the typical issue described for simply moving toward a bus site. Flies can be annoying, but they aren't usually framed as the primary problem in a hiking-to-bus scenario. Saying there are no insects would ignore the described hassle the hikers experienced.

10. What best describes Carine's life when the author met her?

- A. Carine had peace with her parents and a good relationship.**
- B. She bought an expensive new home.**
- C. She owned an auto repair company with her husband.**
- D. She moved away from her family.**

The main idea being tested is Carine's family relationship status when the author met her. The best description is that Carine had peace with her parents and a good relationship. In Krakauer's account, she describes a time when the family had reconciled after past tensions and was able to interact more openly and supportively. The other options aren't supported by the text: there's no indication she bought an expensive new home, owned an auto repair company with her husband, or moved away from her family.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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