

## January Newsletter



Hi everyone (HNY!), and welcome to the January edition of our newsletter.

In this edition we have the fifth in our series of 'Study Tips', we provide some information on the ACCA and CIMA remote exams and we share some amazing achievements with you.

We are tremendously proud of all of you and the resilience you are all showing.

Stay safe.

## HTFT study tips

The fourth instalment of our monthly feature, where we are going to share with you some of the study tips that we believe help students during their studies.

### Study Tip 5: Active recall

We really like this study tip at HTFT.

It involves a blank piece of paper and links back to Study Tip 2: Topic Summaries.

Once you have created your Topic Summary, or any other piece of study/revision material (mindmaps etc.), you need to sit down with a blank piece of paper and re-create it from scratch (this is not a copying exercise!).

This Active Recall of what you know will help you identify the areas that you need to go back and work on. It is fair to say that what you can recall with be with you for some time, and your attention is probably best turned to the areas you couldn't recall.

Make new notes on your Active Recall document (maybe using a new colour), and then try and re-create that and so on....

If you have any study tips that you would like to share, please email [info@htftpartnership.co.uk](mailto:info@htftpartnership.co.uk) and we can get you in next month's newsletter!

### ACCA and CIMA - Test centre update

Due to the recent announcement of Scotland and England going into lockdown, test centres in both England and Scotland are now closed for all exams until further notice.

Online exams will be the only form of examination available to you until lockdown is lifted. For CIMA or ACCA exams DO NOT try to book a test centre exam until the lockdown has ended and please read the information below before booking any exam.

If you have a **CIMA Case Study** exam booked for February, please cancel your test centre exam, and book an online exam instead. See here [CIMA FAQs](#) for more info on this. If you were thinking of booking a **CIMA Case Study** exam for February, book an online exam as soon as possible having already completed your [Pearson VUE system test](#).

If you have a test centre test scheduled for an **CIMA Objective Test**, please cancel, get a refund and then book your online test. If you were planning on booking an **CIMA Objective Test** during lockdown, the only way you can do this is online.

For **ACCA exams** check the ACCA website here [ACCA Remote Exams](#) for exam availability in your area. Please see the simple guide on what to do [before you book](#) and [how to book a ACCA Remote exam](#).

I hope this information has proven helpful to some of you, we wish you all the best in future exams!

### Amazing achievements to share.....

We have a couple of very impressive achievements to share with you:

1. All 36 CIMA SCS students who studied with us into the November exam window passed their exams - a 100% pass rate!!! Well done to all students, tutors and markers it is a fantastic result
2. One of our ACCA Strategic Business Leader students, who sat their exam in December, achieved the highest mark worldwide, scoring 97%!!!! This is our 3rd ACCA worldwide prizewinner.

### In the news.....

Here are a couple of interesting news articles:

#### Former BHS owner jailed for six years for tax evasion

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-54831374>

Dominic Chappell, the former owner of BHS, has been sentenced to six years in jail for tax evasion.

#### HMRC updates internal guidelines in midst of IR35 review

<https://www.accountancyage.com/2020/01/22/hmrc-updates-internal-guidelines-in-midst-of-ir35-review/>

While the IR35-adjacent CEST tool has received a direct update, HMRC's manual shows a number of prospective CEST questions, designed to determine tax status.

#### CJRS extension: Get the details right

<https://www.accountingweb.co.uk/tax/hmrc-policy/cjrs-extension-get-the-details-right>

Kate Upcraft explains what employers and tax agents need to know about the new version of the coronavirus job retention scheme (CJRS.3) which will apply from November 2020 to March 2021.

### Helping each other.....

This is one thing I know we are all good at.

I am always seeing HTFT students helping each other, with bits of advice, support and encouragement.

We need, during these times, to do more of this.

Thank you for your continued support, and please let us know where we can improve - HTFT Partnership

### Useful resources

#### ACCA

ACCA have a purpose built exam resources site, where students can find past papers and technical articles

[Click here](#)

#### ACCA

ACCA run regular Exam Window surgery webinars that you may want to register for

[Click here](#)

#### ICAEW

ICAEW key resources - they are not just limited to ACA students!

[Click here](#)

#### HTFT Blog

Regular updates, thoughts and general ideas to support your studies

[Click here](#)

#### AAT

AAT's Code of Professional Ethics sets out five fundamental principles which all AAT members must comply with

[Click here](#)

#### CIMA

CIMA/Pearson Vue question tutorials

[Click here](#)

#### CIMA

CIMA regularly schedule and run regional events for student members and members that often support CPD

[Click here](#)

### COVID-19 updates

#### AAT

#### ACCA

#### CIMA

### Upcoming HTFT Courses

#### AAT

We have AAT courses starting March, keep an eye on the AAT QL tab for timetables.

For more information email [info@htftpartnership.co.uk](mailto:info@htftpartnership.co.uk)

#### ACCA (into Mar 2021)

All ACCA courses into June 2021 exam window are starting early March, but you can enrol sooner to get access to the resources.

The timetables are on our Online Learning Community, under the ACCA QL tab.

#### CIMA

We have live F1, F2 and F3 courses starting March and April.

The timetables are on our Online Learning Community, under the CIMA QL tab.



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**“If I flee the country to avoid paying taxes,  
can I write off the miles as business travel?”**

Have a great month and if you have any questions please let us know - HTFT

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