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Introduction to Testing

Intro to Job Task Analysis

Part 2



What you'll learn > > >



Task elicitation



Conducting a survey



Analyzing survey data



Relevant Terminology



Why a JTA is needed > > >



An Exam should be based on a thorough analysis of curriculum, job, or role

- > It is critical to know what the exam needs to assess!
- > A JTA tells you what content areas need to be assessed by your exam
- > ... and provides the relative weighting of those content areas



Elicitation ... identifying tasks > > >



Task **Elicitation** is used to identify tasks

> Goal: Identify relevant tasks

Task Elicitation requires:

- > A well-defined Job Role
- > A representative group of Subject Matter Experts [SMEs]
- > SME training & facilitation



Elicitation ... identifying tasks, cont. > > >



SMEs are **Trained** and sponsor **Facilitates** task authoring

> Goal: Identify relevant tasks

Training & Facilitation requires:

- > SMEs to fully understand job role
- > SMEs learn & follow task authoring best practices
- > Oversight, coordination, & facilitation of activities

Elicitation ... identifying tasks, cont. > > >



Task **Elicitation** is complete when all [or most] relevant tasks are identified

> Goal: Identify relevant tasks

Task Elicitation results in:

- > A set of tasks describing the activities performed in the job role
- > [Often] A set of Domains used to group the tasks into broad content areas



Survey ... gathering data about tasks > > >



A JTA **Survey** is administered to gather data about the tasks

> Goal: Broad review of tasks provides support and validity

JTA Surveys require:

- > A [larger] representative group of SMEs
- > A well-defined job role
- > The set of tasks generated during the elicitation phase



Survey ... gathering data about tasks > > >



Survey participants rate the tasks

> Goal: Broad review of tasks provides support and validity

Survey participants

- > ... rate tasks on various dimensions such as Importance & Frequency
- > ... identify tasks missed during initial task elicitation
- > ... [typically] provide demographic information about themselves

JTA Surveys result in:

> A set of survey response data or **Results**





Analysis ... identifying the critical tasks > > >



Analysis determines the critical tasks

> Goal: Sort the critical from the non-critical tasks

JTA Analysis requires:

- > A supportable rationale for filtering survey results
- > The ability to apply relevant statistical analyses



Analysis ... identifying the critical tasks > > >



Analysis identifies the domains to be addressed in the exam

> Goal: Sort the critical from the non-critical tasks

JTA Analysis results in:

- > A set of calculated Task Ratings describing [typically] their importance and frequency
- > A calculated measure of Criticality for each task
- Identification of content domains that should be assessed

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Till next time ...

