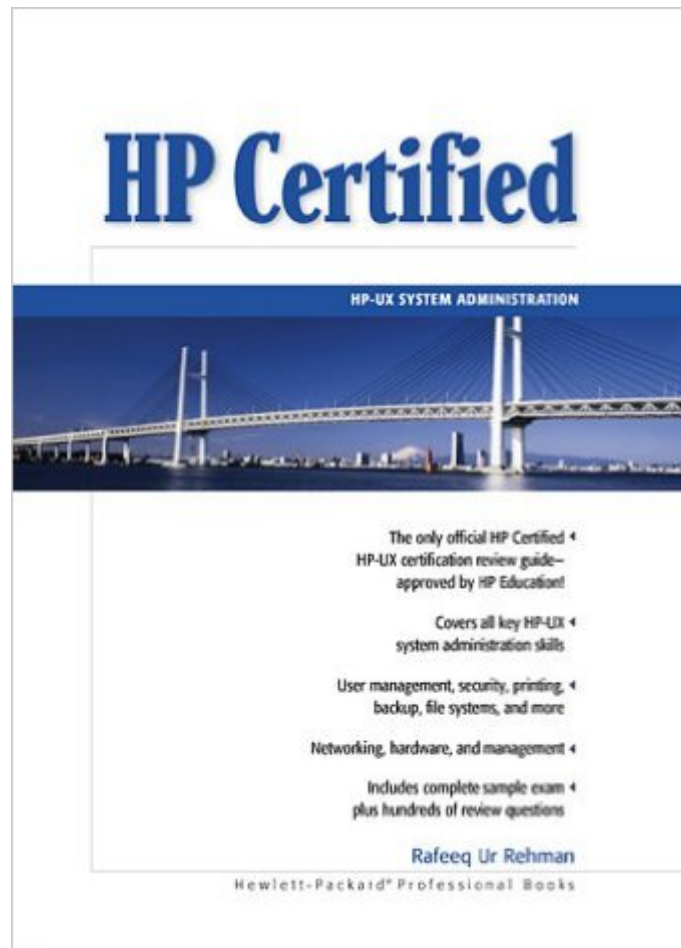# HP Certified: HP-UX System Administration

Synopsis

More and more companies are either requiring HP-UX certification or offering financial incentives to those who achieve it. This is the only all-in-one, authorized reference for HP-UX certification. It covers every exam objective in HP's four-part HP-UX System and Network Administration exam (3HO-001). It's designed not only to help sys admins prepare for the exam, but to remain an invaluable resource once they're certified. The book's coverage maps precisely to HP's exam objectives. It starts with the fundamentals of UNIX systems: logins, general shell concepts, file management, environment variables, I/O, vi editing, regular expressions, filesystems, and the POSIX shell. Next, it reviews the fundamentals of HP-UX system administration, from installation and system startup to building kernels, patch management, peripherals, the HP-UX file system, user/group management, processes, printing, memory management, backup, job automation, security, auditing, performance monitoring, and more. In Section 3, the book covers every key skill related to HP-UX networking, from configuring LAN devices and IP connectivity, to NFS, DNS, NIS, diskless workstations, and more. The book contains hundreds of review questions -- plus a complete sample exam.

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This book reminds me of Alan Carter's NT 4.0 MCSE study guide - they both are nicely paced and cover about 90% of what you need to pass the test. If you have experience with HP-UX or have taken HP instructor led training, most of the material will be very familiar. In fact, this book is very

similar to HP's "HP-UX for Experienced UNIX Administrators" class offering. There are some errors, however, but not anything out of the ordinary for a first printing. I also think the author did a good job of making LVM management easy to understand for newbies. Overall, this book is worth the money and your time in becoming HP Certified. Combine this book with Marty Poniatowski's HP-UX 11.00 Sys Admin Handbook to fill in any questions you might have and you will be on your way!

I would like to say that this is a great book to pass HP-UX certification exam as well as to learn HP-UX for new comers. The book is written precisely according to the objectives of the HP-UX certification exam. That is why it is the only book recommended by HP Education for preparation of the certification exam. No other book on HP-UX covers all of the areas discussed in this book. The author has presented examples for everything discussed to make the reader understand better. I like it! I am sure you will also like it once you read.

I passed my certification today using this book, after studying it for about 3 weeks. As several people have mentioned, there are some corrections that need to be made -- I want to include this link which goes over these corrections:[...]You need an overall above %70 average to pass, and above %50 in each of three sections. I got a %73 overall, %90 in General Unix knowledge, %80 in sys admin, and %53 in Networking. Just made it, but, it was enough to get me the cert. I think the book was a little weak in the network area (the test really had a lot of questions that in real life you would just flip to the man pages for, like the location of a bunch of config files).Here's some additional advice, I got an hp 712/100 with HP-UX 11.00 for [price] off of [the web] (I've got mine set up off a befsr41 linksys DSL router), and use it to play around with getting ready for the cert. I did also get a surestore 5000 for [price] on [the web] to play around with cpio, tar, fbackup, etc. I've also got a Sun Blade 100 [(price)] with Solaris 8, and it came with all the Oracle 8.1.7 media, which I have installed.So, I have two Unix boxes (The sun also has a SunPCI card which will run NT, win 2000, win 98, even Linux), on a small home network. I can play with DIS, NIS, NTP, NFS, etc. I also have the platform to ultimately get Oracle certified, Solaris Certified, etc. All for about [price] including books -- much cheaper than those silly cert boot camps which churn out certified dweebs with no hands on experience.Hope this helps, Bill

This is a different book. The book is divided into three parts, as the certification exam is. The first part covers general UNIX related stuff. Second part covers HP-UX system administration tasks and the third part covers HP-UX network configuration and management issues (some of these are not

covered by any other book on HP-UX). The book is to-the-point with many examples of the matter presented. There are study breaks within chapters that enable to review what you have learnt. I would suggest to keep it on your table for reference.

The book is very well organized. It contains three sections just like the exam. I read this book twice over a period of a month and passed the exam. I have been an HPUX admin for about 3 1/2 years but have not had experience with some of the things I learned in this book. The material is very well organized. The only caution is that there are quite a few errors in the book; mostly in the practice tests at the end of each chapter. I did find a document on the us-support.external.hp.com website that makes a first pass at corrections. I found it by searching for "HP Certified" on the main page search button. Really, this is a good book and it covered 90% of the material on the exam, just be careful and check the corrections if you are not sure.

I am surprised to see this book after having so many books on HP-UX with same type of contents but different titles. I especially like the network administration part which is not available elsewhere. Not only the administration techniques are discussed but you will also get a very good introduction to different network services like DNS, NIS, NTP etc. For example, in addition to NTP configuration, there is information about how NTP works, what are time sources and stratum levels etc. Both command line and SAM are explained for different tasks, so you would like the book no matter you are a command line guru or love GUI. Buy it before the publisher again goes out of stock for two months.

Excellent UNIX book. Most UNIX books make out that the UNIX operating system is very complex. Rafeeq did a first class job of destroying the myth. HP-UX, like Solaris, like LINUX, like NT, is an operating system (OS) with limitations and peculiarities. The structure of book can help not only pass an exam (yet to do), but assist you in transitioning from any other OS to HP-UX.

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