# PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE NEXTGEN BAR EXAM: INCORPORATING FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS INTO YOUR CLASSROOM."

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#### **NEXTGEN BAR EXAM**

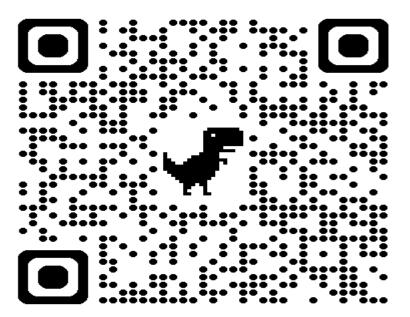
- Integrated Question Sets
- MBE Style Multiple Choice Questions
- Performance Tests

#### INTEGRATED QUESTION SETS

"Just under a quarter of the exam time will be devoted to integrated question sets. Each of these sets is based on a common fact scenario and may include some legal resources (e.g., excerpts of statutes or judicial opinions) and/or supplemental documents (e.g., a police report or excerpt from a deposition) and include a mixture of multiple-choice and short-answer questions. In addition to testing doctrinal law, some integrated question sets will be focused on drafting or editing a legal document; other sets will be focused on counseling and/or dispute resolution" NCBE

#### SAMPLE INTEGRATED QUESTION SETS FROM NCBE

2 sample Integrated Question Sets and answers available at <a href="https://nextgenbarexam.ncbex.org/integrated-question-sets/">https://nextgenbarexam.ncbex.org/integrated-question-sets/</a>



#### SAMPLE INTEGRATED QUESTION SETS FROM NCBE

- You are an associate in a law firm. Your supervisor has asked you to work on a case for a new client, a landscaping company who recently completed a major project for a homeowner and is now in a dispute with the homeowner over payment.
- Excerpt from Supervisor Email
- Excerpt of Transcript of interview with owner of Landscaping Company
- Excerpt of Franklin Rule of Civil Procedure 10(b)
- Excerpt of draft Complaint

#### Assignment

- Following the instructions in the email from your supervisor, find five mistakes in the complaint. For each mistake, (1) identify the paragraph that includes the mistake, (2) describe the mistake, and (3) explain how you would correct the mistake.
- A mistake can be a mistake of fact, a mistake of substantive law, or a violation of the provided procedural rule. Missing information is not a mistake. Assume that the following are correct: (1) all bracketed material and (2) all formatting and numbering.

#### OBSERVATIONS FROM PILOT TESTING

- Students don't know how to attack MCQs with multiple answers
- Students don't like getting information in pieces in the Integrated Question Sets
- Critical Reading and short-term memory is going to be key to the exam
- All subjects can now be tested through MCQs

## WHY USE INTEGRATED QUESTION SETS AS FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS?

- This is how information is presented to a new associate.
- Review documents early in the curriculum.
- Put students in the position of attorney not judge

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