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Student Orientation: What is Sharpen?

Welcome to Sharpen, McGraw Hill's mobile exam prep app. Feeling overwhelmed and constantly looking for more study materials? Sharpen has what you need: study tools customized for your course and delivered in bite-sized formats that help you learn efficiently and effectively.



Sharpen delivers a solution:

Sharpen is included in your course as your own personal study buddy. Sharpen has hundreds of bite-sized study tools customized for your course so you can learn in just 5 minutes. The app delivers personalized study tips based on your in-app performance, so you can see what you know and what you need to review.



Use the app anywhere

You can use Sharpen's web app or mobile app to study at home or on-the-go. Since Sharpen is made by McGraw Hill, you can trust its content: accurate, focused on the most important concepts, and won't give you the wrong answers.

What you do in the app is not shared with your instructor, so it's your own risk-free practice zone.





What do you get with Sharpen?

Sharpen has customized content in 5 key formats that let you choose how you want to study.



As you complete activities, you can use Sharpen's AI tools to pinpoint key concepts you need to review to meet your study goals.



Improve shows your strengths, knowledge gaps, badges for completed activities, and Al-powered study recommendations based on past sessions.



Ask Sharpen (coming soon) is Sharpen's AI study buddy! You enter questions and Ask Sharpen finds or generates content based on learning objectives related to your query. Ask Sharpen prioritizes returns based on your knowledge gaps.





How to Access Sharpen from McGraw Hill Connect™

Once you have purchased Connect and Sharpen Companion, you can get started.

Using McGraw Hill Connect[™] without a Learning Management System (LMS)?

The Sharpen launch point is in the bottom left-hand navigation section.

1 Click on the Sharpen widget in the left-side navigation to launch the Sharpen app in a new window. You'll be logged in automatically and can start studying!

> If your professor has created a Sharpen assignment for your class, you will see another Sharpen launch point under Assignments.



2 Click on the Sharpen assignment to open a new page with the Sharpen access point. Click **Begin** to launch Sharpen in a new web window.



3 When Sharpen launches in a new window, you'll be logged in and prompted to accept the Terms and Conditions. Click to accept and you'll be taken to your title. From here, you can pick your first study activity and get started!





Using McGraw Hill Connect[™] with a Learning Management System (LMS)?

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The LMS Cover Sheet includes two Sharpen launch points.

- In your LMS, under the Connect section, click on the top LMS Coversheet Sharpen Launch point to open a new page with the Sharpen access point.
- 2 Click **Begin** to open Sharpen in a new web window.

- 3 For the second launch point, click on the bottom Sharpen assignment to open a new page with the Sharpen access point.
 - Click **Begin** to open Sharpen in a new web window.
- 5 When Sharpen launches in a new window, you'll be logged in and prompted to accept the Terms and Conditions. Click to accept and you'll be taken to your title. From here, you can pick your first study activity and get started!





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How to Access Sharpen from McGraw Hill GO

Once you have purchased GO and Sharpen Companion, you can get started.

1 You will always see the Sharpen launch point at the top of the GO reading screen. Click this to launch Sharpen in a new web window.



2 When Sharpen launches in a new window, you'll be logged in and prompted to accept the Terms and Conditions. Click to accept and you'll be taken to your title. From here, you can pick your first study activity and get started!



How to Log Into the Sharpen Mobile App

Download the Sharpen app to your mobile phone to access your study content anytime, anywhere.

<u>iOS</u>

<u>Android</u>





How to Log Into the Sharpen Web App

On your computer or tablet? Log into the Sharpen web app directly at <u>www.studysharpen.com</u>.





Getting the Most Out of Sharpen Companion: How to Study with Sharpen

Here is how your instructor recommends you use Sharpen to make the most of your study time and ace your exams:



Stressed before the exam?

Spend 15 minutes on Quiz Bank to confirm what you know, and check Improve for tips to master concepts you missed.



Have a weekly study window?

Flip through Sharpen flashcards for 10 minutes to test yourself on chapters you covered in class.



Need a refresher before class or exams?

Spend 5 minutes on Sharpen summaries and videos to review key concepts.



Remember, you have 24/7 access to Sharpen

via the mobile app, web app, and launch points in Connect, GO, or your LMS. So you can study whenever, wherever fits in your schedule.

You can access Sharpen however is easiest for you: from Connect, GO, your LMS, or Sharpen's web app or mobile app. Always log in with your school email so your progress is saved and your accounts sync across different devices.

Get Exam-Ready

You can get the best results by using Sharpen for a few minutes each week to review learnings, reinforce key concepts, and prepare for exams. With Sharpen, you can accomplish real learning in under five minutes and get one step closer to being exam-ready.

