



#### Readiness Assurance Test (Rat) Interactive Session

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### **Objectives**

At the end of this session, students should be able to:

- Gain an understanding of the weekly Rat session process
- Navigate an exam in Examplify
- Review assessment results





#### **Rat Session Overview**

- Weekly quizzes based on pre-class learning objectives found in BlackBoard
- Each session has two portions: the iRat and the tRat
- Students must download <u>both</u> files in their Examplify portal by the deadline





#### **Rat Session Timeline**

- Download the Rat files in Examplify by Friday at 1:30 pm
- Monday at 8 am- Rat Session
  - 8-8:20 am- start, complete, the upload the iRat (quietly leave the hall)
  - 8:30 am- return to the hall and start the tRat with teams
  - 8:30-9-upload the tRat and pass in the scratch card to the proctor





#### **Downloading the Rat Quizzes**

- Receive the notification e-mail
- Log into the Examplify portal
- Find the quizzes on the exam list
- Click and download the files

This process is usually achieved in less than 5 minutes! Don't wait until the last minute.





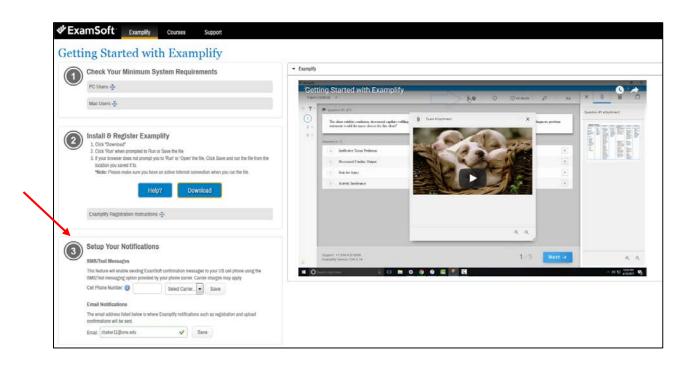
### **Examplify Notification Tool**



• <a href="https://ei.examsoft.com/GKWeb/login/unecom/">https://ei.examsoft.com/GKWeb/login/unecom/</a>



#### **Setting Up Examplify Notifications**



- Navigate to section 3
- Setup e-mail and/or text notifications
- These notifications include:
  - Reminder to download at 2 am on the date of the download deadline
  - Download confirmation
  - Upload confirmation
- These notifications don't include:
  - Initial download e-mail
  - Result notification e-mails



#### Download Deadline- Friday at 1:30 pm

- Missed the download deadline?
  - "U" for the iRat quiz; will not attend iRat session
  - Impacts professionalism grade
  - Can join the tRat session

Have an excused absence for the Rat session?

- Make sure Rat session is included in the excused absence request
- Downloading by the deadline still applies, otherwise will receive a score of "U" for both the iRat and tRat.
- If downloaded on time, will receive a score of "NI" for iRat and tRat.





#### **Technical Issues?**

- First ensure that you have a detailed description of the issue
- Call ExamSoft Student Support at 1-866-429-8889
- If no resolution is reached, *prior to the Rat download deadline*, e-mail:
  - Candace Baker, Academic Assessment Technician
  - Heather Chase and Justin Hamel, IT Integration Managers
  - Dr. Rowe and Dr. Ly, Course Directors





#### **Prior to the Rat...**

- Charge laptop battery and bring power cord
- Arrive 5-10 minutes early
- Turn off and store cell phones
- Turn off laptop's antivirus software
- Close <u>all</u> open programs on laptop
- Log into the Examplify portal

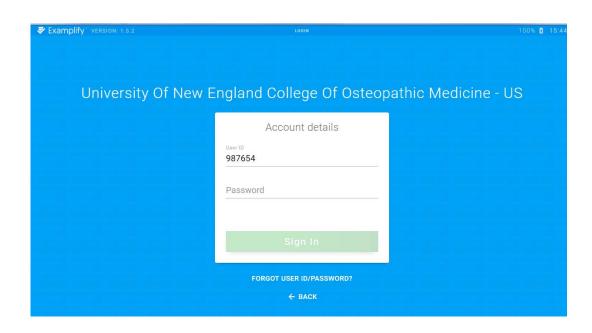








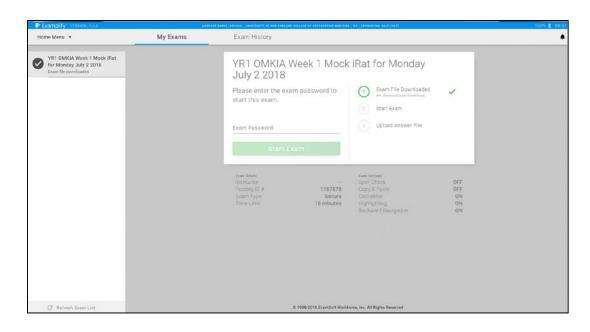
# Beginning the iRat



- Click on the Examplify icon to enter the portal
- Enter User Id
- Enter Password



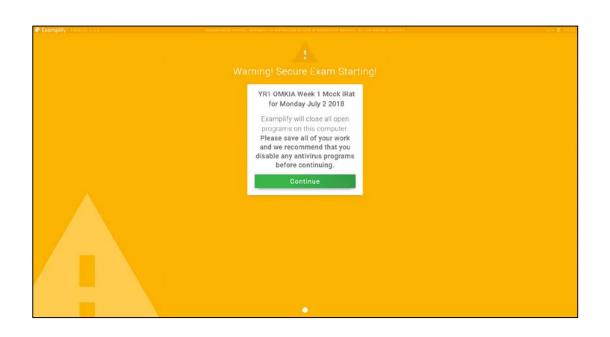
# **Beginning the iRat-Continued**



- The exam should be downloaded
- Select the correct exam on the list
- The proctor will provide the quiz password
- Enter the password in the correct location



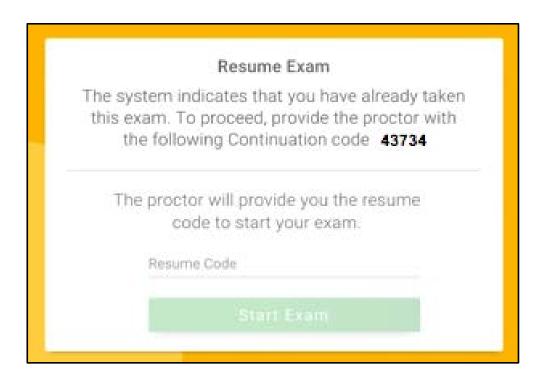
## **Beginning the iRat-Continued**



- Once the quiz starts to launch, Examplify will shut down any programs running on the laptop (this may take a few minutes, so be patient)
- If it is taking more than three minutes to load the exam, simply reboot the computer
- Enter a 4 digit code, which is provided on the screen, then begin the quiz



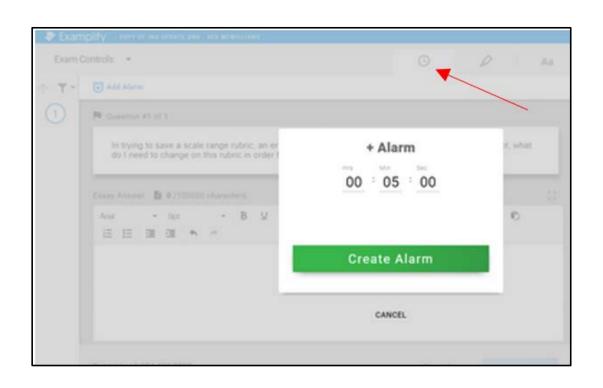
## **Beginning the iRat-Continued**



- If you need technical assistance during the exam, just raise your hand
- You may be prompted to enter a resume code prior to starting the exam
- The resume code is a number that needs to be entered into Examplify in the event there is an error
- A proctor or staff member will provide the resume code



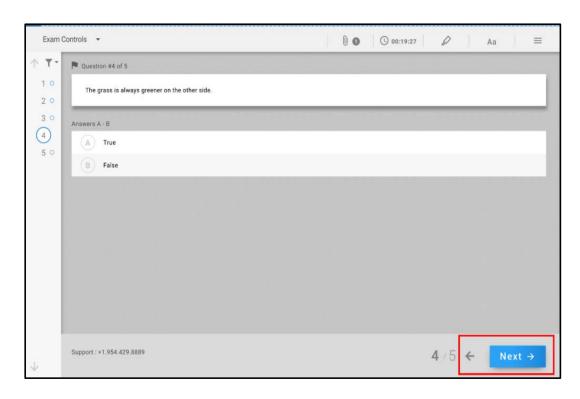
#### **Reminder Alarm Feature**



- Once the quiz starts a reminder alarm can be set to appear at a certain time during the quiz.
- Navigate to the alarm button tab in the top of the quiz.
- Select Add Alarm and be sure to click the Create alarm button to activate the alarm.
- Note: The quizzes have an allotted amount of time and will automatically shut down and upload exam files once the time is met.



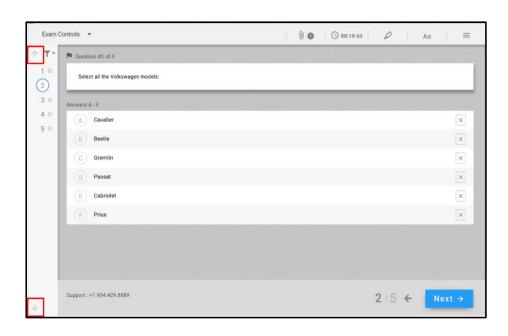
### **Navigating Through the Exam**



• Students may toggle (or switch) between questions using the **Next** button to proceed to the next question, or selecting the <-- (back arrow), to navigate to the previous question



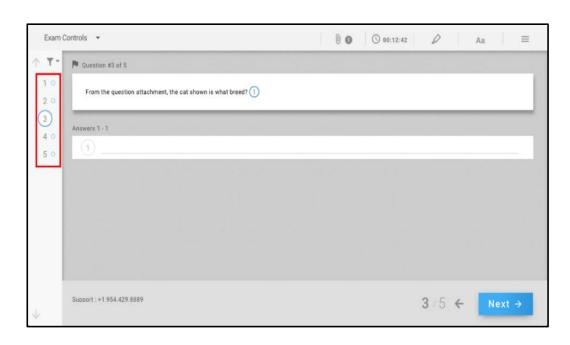
## **Navigating Through the Exam-Continued**



• Students may also navigate through questions by selecting the down arrow in the bottom left hand corner or the up arrow in the top left hand corner of the screen.



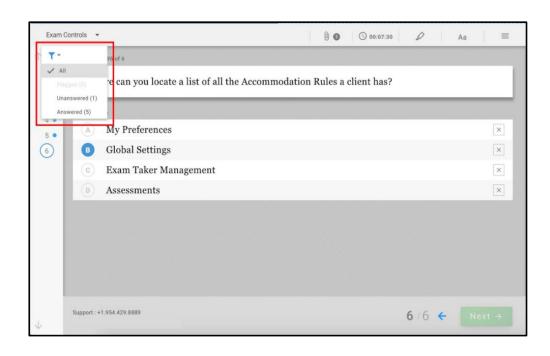
### **Navigating Through the Exam-Continued**



• Students may also maneuver through questions by just selecting the question number within the navigation pane.



#### **Question Filters Feature**



• Students can view all unanswered questions through the question filters feature.



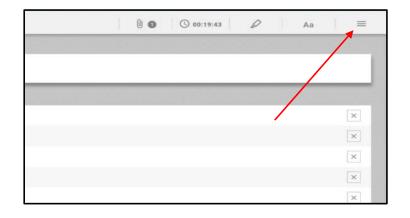
# **Backward Navigation Feature**

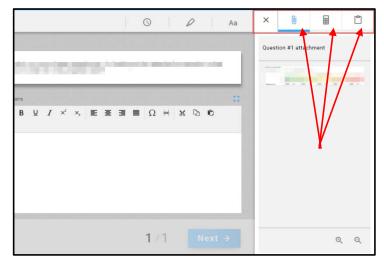


• With the backward navigation feature, students may mark questions to revisit.



#### **Other Tools**





- The **Expand** icon will display several options:
  - Zoom in on any attachments for that question
  - Calculator icon will display the calculator
  - Notepad icon will display the option for Notes (This is where you will enter notes and feedback for the tRat)



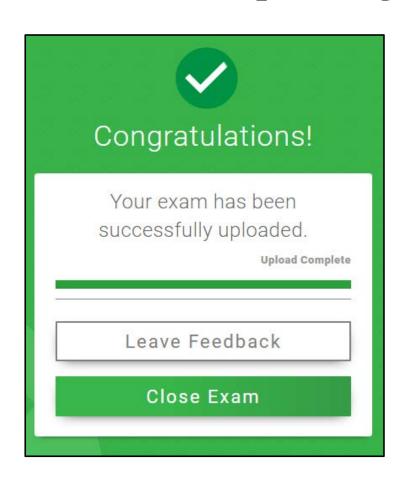
# **Uploading the iRat**



• Once you have completed your exam, click on Exam Controls in the top left corner and select "Submit Exam".



# **Uploading the iRat-Continued**



- Examplify will upload the exam and a green screen will appear as confirmation
- This process may take a few minutes
- If the process takes over three minutes, restart the computer to relaunch Examplify
- Do not exit the hall until the exam has uploaded



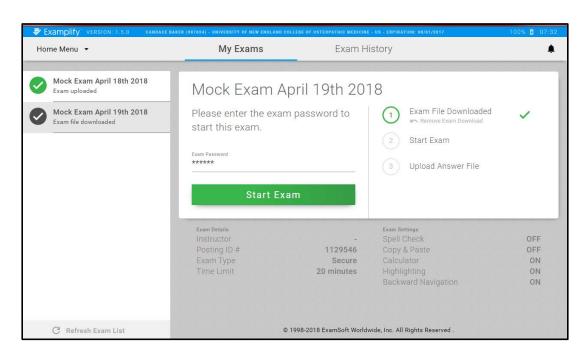
### Waiting for the tRat to Begin



- Students will finish at different times during the session, due to potential technical issues, slower quiz launch times, and individual testing pace.
- Students may silently exit through the double doorway until the tRat begins.
- Students may also remain in Leonard hall, staying seated quietly
- Please do not loiter in the outside hallway; sound carries into Leonard Hall



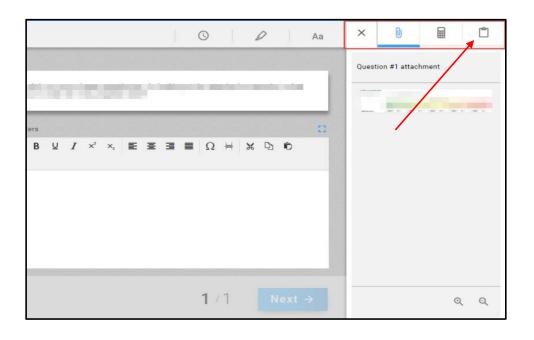
# Beginning the tRat



- As before, select the correct assessment on the exam list.
- Follow the same procedure used for the iRat, submitting the team answers in Examplify.
- Use the scratch cards to make final answers.



## **Submitting Question Notes and Feedback in tRat**



- As mentioned earlier, if you click the **Expand** icon the Notepad icon will display, and you will have ability to type in constructive question notes and feedback.
- Once the assessment is complete, the faculty will have access to these notes and will review them.



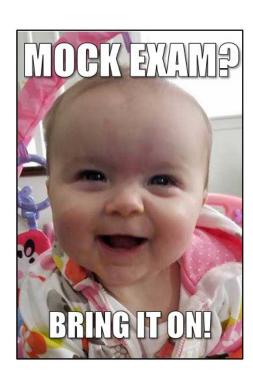
### **Important Side Note: Progress Tests and Comp Exams**

- Progress Tests
  - Have an individual and team portion, each portion is one hour
  - Download deadline for both files are Wednesdays at 1:30 pm
- Comp Exams
  - Consist of two portions, OMK and OCS; each portion is two hours
  - No team sessions
  - Download deadline for both files are Wednesdays at 1:30 pm





#### **Mock Rat Session**

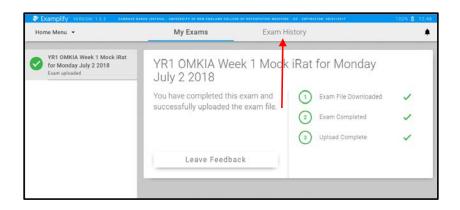


Enough chit chat-let's do a mock Rat session!

- Enter Examplify portal and select the mock iRat
- Password will be communicated
- For the purpose of the mock, each session will be 10 minutes
- Please take some time and use some of the features discussed



### **Viewing Results**

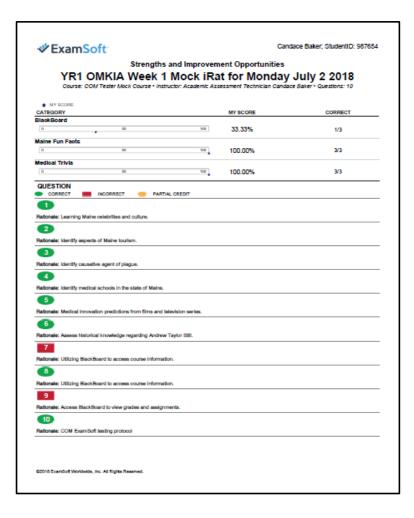




- A few days after the assessment is taken, students will be notified by e-mail that their results are available in the Examplify portal and BlackBoard.
- Students will log into the Examplify portal and click on Exam History. Students will be redirected to view listing of assessments.
- At the right of the assessment listing, click on the green arrow and a report will generate.



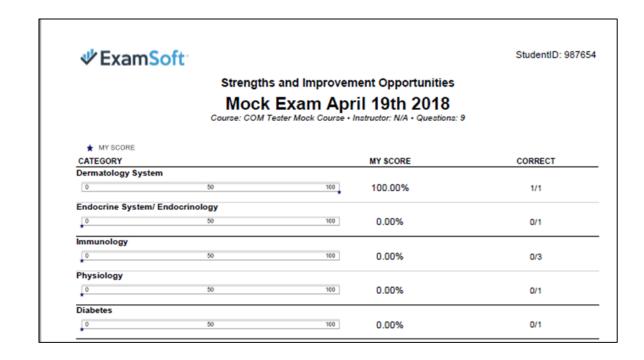
## **Strengths and Opportunities report**



- The report will display categories and show how many questions were answered correctly.
- Rationales below the question describe the concept for the question



### **Alternative Example**





# **ExamSoft Technical Support**

<u>Resource</u>	Type of Assistance	Hours of Operation	<u>Contact</u> <u>Information</u>
ExamSoft Student Support	<ul><li> General ExamSoft questions</li><li> Technical support</li><li> Best resource for quick assistance</li></ul>	24/7	1-866-429-8889
ExamSoft University	Online resources for ExamSoft	24/7	https://examsoft.force.com/em community/s/
Candace Baker, Academic Assessment Technician	<ul> <li>Specific COM assessment and report questions (no content related items)</li> <li>ExamSoft updates/announcements</li> <li>Reporting download issues</li> <li>Loaner laptop requests</li> </ul>	Monday-Friday 7:30 am- 4:00pm	cbaker11@une.edu 207-602-2413 Stella Maris, Rm. 235
Heather Chase, IT Integration Manager Justin Hamel, IT Integration Manager	<ul> <li>Software and hardware technical assistance during exams</li> <li>Post exam technical assistance</li> </ul>	Monday-Friday 7:00 am-4:30 pm	hchase@une.edu 207-602-2689  jhamel2@une.edu 207-602-2291  Stella Maris, Rm. 234