

### Letter from the Editor

Welcome CMT candidates to the inaugural publication of the CMT Newsletter! Let me take a minute or two of your time to explain the objectives of this newsletter and what you might look forward to in future CMT Newsletters.

Our objectives for the issuance of a CMT Newsletter are as follows:

- To share with you, the CMT Program candidate, important information regarding the requirements, recommended readings, changes and overall administration.
- To share "best practices," additional materials/websites, and helpful hints from a mentoring perspective that we, here at the Headquarters and past test candidates have found helpful in studying for the examination.
- To keep communication lines open so that you can get some of your questions answered, with the goal of helping you with your overall study plan.

The Newsletter has commenced with the opening of the registration process for the Spring 2010 test administration. It will be issued twice a month. It is likely that we might issue special issues of this CMT Newsletter as we approach the exam window, but much of that will depend on your needs. If for any reason you do not want to receive this regular newsletter, please click on the Opt-Out link at the bottom of this email.

This is what you can expect in future CMT Newsletters:

- An "**administration**" corner - Area which discusses sign-up procedures, materials to bring to the examination, how to handle test-site problems, etc.
- An "**ask the expert**" section - A section of each newsletter will be devoted to answering questions sent in by you regarding study problems and the examination. If you have the question, chances are others do as well and we need to address them.
- A "**best practice**" corner - Over the years we have found some tips to help your studying that you might wish to employ. For example, sometimes a candidate is "stuck" and needs help on a specific topic that is not clearly explained in the recommended readings. When this happens, other non-required readings or websites might be recommended to "round-out" your understanding.
- "**Practice, Practice, Practice**" section - In every CMT Newsletter, there will be a sample question or two along with answers. These questions might be taken from quiz cards/practice examinations/test development committee members, in a similar format used on the actual examination. For each sample question, we will provide the reference to the required reading to assist you in learning follow-up.
- A "**Guide to Sponsorship**" corner - The MTA Member Services Assistant, Cassandra Townes, shares tips to help you select a sponsor and guides you through achieving *Membership Status*. Since *Membership Status* is essential to holding the CMT designation, why not get started with the process today?

Obviously this is only a start. As time goes on, and based on your input, we will add or subtract data to make the CMT Newsletter a meaningful part of your overall examination preparation.

Jeanette Young, CMT, CFP  
CMT Program Director

### Administration Corner

#### Levels 1 and 2 Registration

The MTA is pleased to announce that registration for Levels 1 and 2, for the Spring 2010 CMT Administration, is **NOW OPEN!** Sign up today to ensure your preferred time, date, and location! Contact [Marie Penza](#), 646-652-3300, for information on the CMT Program and/or if your having trouble scheduling your exam for Prometric. For detailed instructions on how you can register online, please [click here](#).

#### Test Dates

The Spring 2010 CMT Exams will be held from *April 29, 2010* through *May 8, 2010*.

#### Registration Closing Dates

Registration for Levels 1 and 2 closes on *April 23, 2010*. Registration for Level 3 closes on *April 9, 2010*.

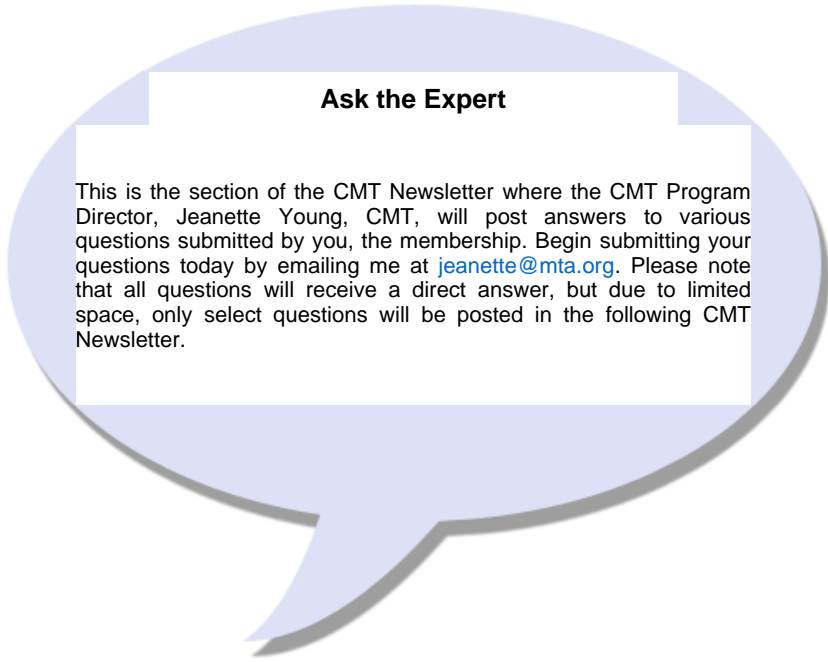
#### Reading Lists

- [CMT Exam Level 1](#)
- [CMT Exam Level 2](#)
- [CMT Exam Level 3](#)  
*(under review)*

### Special Opportunity

#### Apprenticeship Program

A leading brokerage firm seeks candidates for an analyst apprenticeship program. The firm focuses on the U.S. equity market and is located on Wall Street. Candidates should have passed Level 2 of the CMT program, although special Level 1 candidates will be considered. Candidates need to have a Series 7 and 63 and will be registered with the firm. Apprentices will work directly for the Chief Market Analyst of the firm.



### Ask the Expert

This is the section of the CMT Newsletter where the CMT Program Director, Jeanette Young, CMT, will post answers to various questions submitted by you, the membership. Begin submitting your questions today by emailing me at [jeanette@mta.org](mailto:jeanette@mta.org). Please note that all questions will receive a direct answer, but due to limited space, only select questions will be posted in the following CMT Newsletter.

Those interested, please call Mr. Kaufman at 212-299-7838 between the hours of 4:00 - 5:00 PM EST.

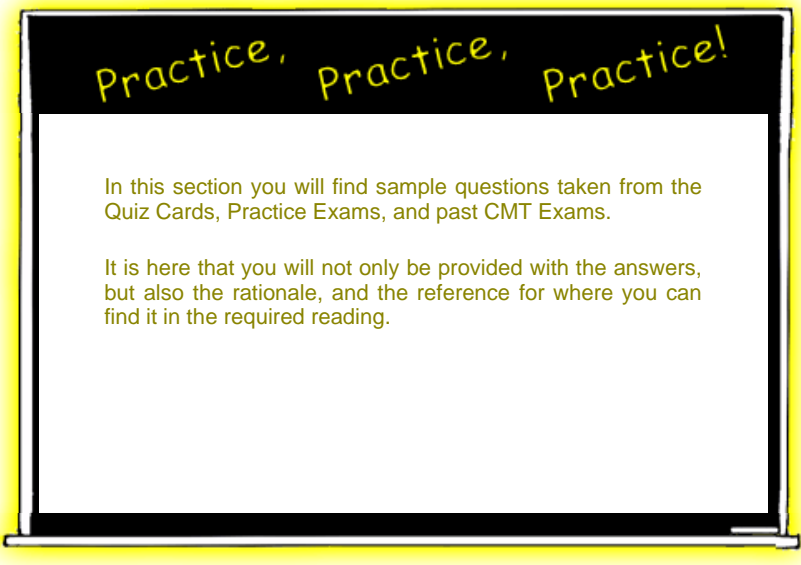
### Best Practices

In this section you will find helpful hints that might aide in your study/preparation process. Sometimes candidates focus too much on smaller details or get caught up in particular sections of the recommended reading. Here we will try to provide other methods and materials that can be utilized to make sure you are fully prepared for the upcoming exams. Are there sections in the Knowledge Base that can help you? What about additional study guides? All this and more will be featured in the Best Practices section.

### Guide to Sponsorship

Receiving *Membership Status* with the MTA grants you all the same priviladges as an *Affiliate*, as well as allows you to vote on MTA matters, hold an office or chair a committee, and become eligible to hold the CMT designation after successful completion of all three levels of the exam.

Since *Membership Status* is essential to holding the CMT designation, why not [get started with the process today!](#)



Practice, Practice, Practice!

In this section you will find sample questions taken from the Quiz Cards, Practice Exams, and past CMT Exams.

It is here that you will not only be provided with the answers, but also the rationale, and the reference for where you can find it in the required reading.

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