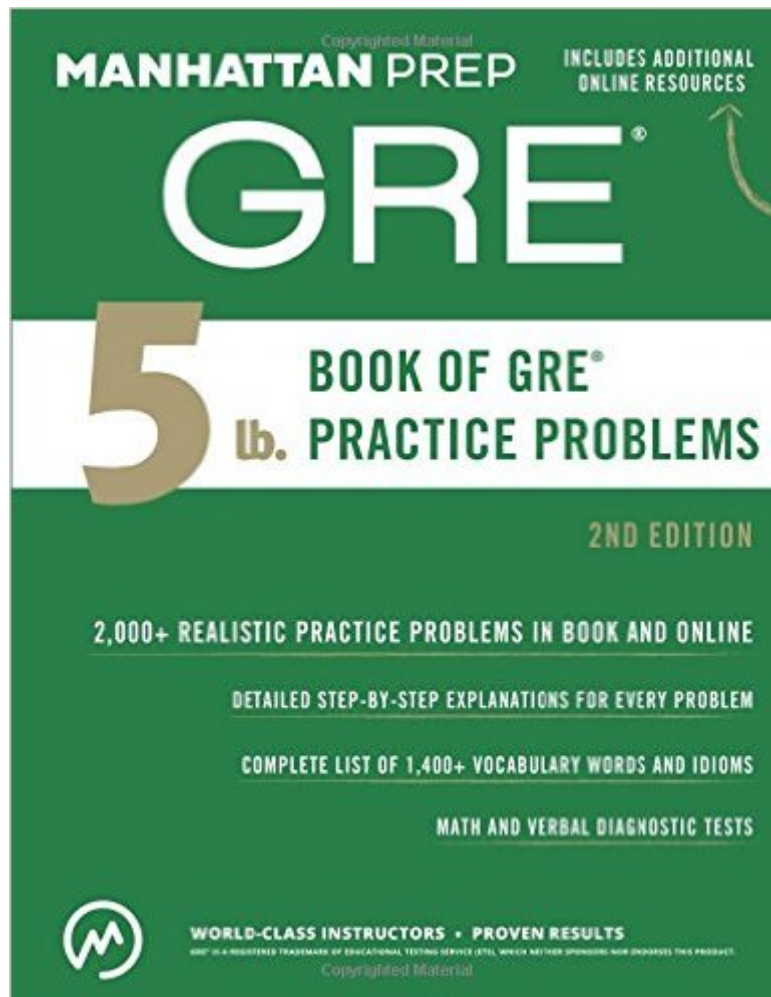


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I recently took the GRE and will probably retake it soon (aced the verbal, but need improvement in the quant department). Having relied on other books to review concepts and learn test-taking

strategies, I ordered this one for practice. And practice is exactly what you'll get with this massive, five-pound behemoth of a book. As an added bonus, it will seriously help you tone your arms. The first thing to be clear about is that this is (as advertised) a supplement. It should not be the only GRE prep book you use: think of it as a workbook to go along with your textbook. In other words...WHAT IT IS A great mental workout consisting of lots and lots of drills. Once you know the basics, this will really help reinforce what you've learned. There is a range of difficulty, though the difficulty level is not generally marked. Rather quant-heavy. The quantitative portion takes up about two-thirds of the book, but this makes sense since there is so much ground to cover. You'll find every type of problem that will appear in that section, broken down by category so you can focus on your trouble areas. WHAT IT'S NOT A bag o' tricks. This book will not teach you how to "outsmart" the GRE or provide you with shortcuts for solving the problems. A book of practice tests. However, the back of the book does include timed practice sections: one easy, medium, and difficult section for both quantitative and verbal. STRENGTHS Excellent explanations in the answer sections. These were simple, clear, and easy to understand. Answers in the quant section show how to solve the problems step by step, while also reviewing relevant concepts. Verbal explanations were likewise great. For example, I'm sometimes stumped by "inference" questions in the reading comprehension sections--how much of a logical leap should you make in choosing an answer? This book clarified that very well. Verbal section very reflective of the real GRE, "traps" and all. Wonderful essay section. The prompts will give you a great sense of what to expect for the Analytical Writing Assessment. Each prompt is followed by a "take" and sample essay by a Manhattan Prep instructor. The "take" includes ideas for how to approach the prompt and how to effectively outline; both these and the sample essays are excellent. Advanced quant section for test-takers aspiring to a perfect or near-perfect quant score. This covers the few very difficult Mathlete problems you're likely to see on each test. If you're not aiming for an engineering PhD at MIT, you can always skip this section. SO-SO This book will truly help you bone up on your math skills. However, quant problems seemed a little more straightforward (not easy, just straightforward) than the real GRE, which loves to trick you. [For example, if you don't read a GRE question carefully, you may end up doing a lengthy equation that wasn't even necessary.] Fairly solid vocab list in the back, but definitions are not included (the book recommends some online dictionaries). Then again, it's not like this book really needs to be any heavier. BOTTOM LINE Overall, this gargantuan tome will definitely help you ameliorate any stupefaction you have with the abstruse problems on the GRE. I especially recommend it for those who, like me, need a lot of math practice.

This GRE study guide is a good way to prepare for the big exam. It's a big book with what to expect on the exam, how to study for the different parts, practice questions and practice tests with answers and explanations. There are also online resources with more of the same. I think the questions in this book are a good representation of the exam questions and by working through it, it can let you know what areas you're weak in and what you've already mastered. I've found that these types of study aides have always served me well and by getting this test prep several weeks in advance and working through a section each day, one should be prepared to get a great score on the GRE. Another great study aid that really helped me with the GRE is "Support Brain Function, Memory, Attention Span, Concentration & Clarity" it is an amazing supplement that enhances your memory, focus and cognition, great for studying.

I've taken the GRE twice, two years apart. First time around - studied from ETS, Princeton Review and Kaplan. I did alright. The practice material from PR and Kaplan isn't the same level of rigor as the ETS exam, and ETS's book has a limited number of practice problems. So I did a lot of practice, but it didn't prepare me for the more difficult math and reading sections later in the test. My 2nd sections increased in difficulty and I was overwhelmed. Second time, two years later - Started with Kaplan and Princeton Review, but again was feeling underprepared. A friend recommended the 5lb Manhattan Prep book to me. **GAME. CHANGER.** I wish I had known about this book with more time before taking the GRE again, I probably would have also invested in some of Manhattan Prep's other study material for the quantitative section. A large part of taking standardized tests is getting a feel for the test, which only comes from lots of practice. This book gives you:-- a ton of practice, at the right level of difficulty. 500+ pages of just math practice and explanations (nevermind all of the reading and essay practice in this beast of a book)-- 30-50 practice questions for EACH topic. I found this really helpful because it allowed me to see the nuances between different kinds of probability or triangle questions, etc. At the end there are mixed sections to tie it all together, plus a section of advanced quantitative questions if you've mastered everything else.--**AWESOME** answer explanations. They're thorough, often detailing alternate approaches - different perspectives are really useful if you don't understand something the first time around. I'm so happy with how this book prepared me, and much happier with my score the second time around. I agree with other reviewers that ETS is still the best practice material, but this is definitely the second best book you can buy to prepare yourself. I've never felt compelled to write a review for anything until now. Buy this book buy this book, even if you only have a few weeks of studying left, it's worth it. (Side note - nothing to do with the book, but I used Magoosh's vocab app, that was also useful)

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