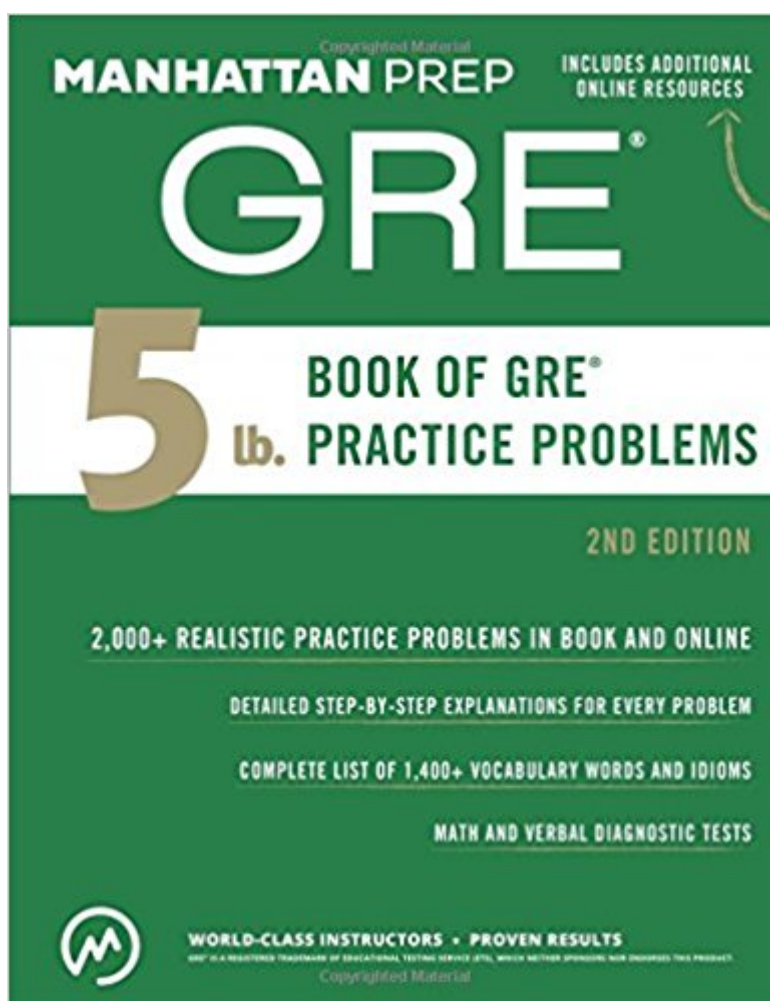


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In 2000, Teach for America alumnus and Yale graduate Zeke Vanderhoek had a radical idea:

students learn better from better teachers. His vision of what test prep could be if written and taught by great educators led him to start Manhattan Prep. Since we began, Manhattan Prep has grown from a boutique tutoring company to one of the world's leading test prep providers, offering GMAT, GRE, LSAT, ACT, and SAT courses and tutoring worldwide. We believe test prep should be real education. From our instructors to our materials, we work to teach you the skills you'll need to succeed on the test, in school, and beyond.

Hello soon-to-be GRE test takers, This 5 lb GRE book was the only non-ETS material I used to study for the GRE. However, I've glossed through other Kaplan/Princeton/Etc GRE books and have to say that this book is one of the best study materials you can get. The book is big, and I did not finish all the questions, partly because the questions seem to all look the same after awhile (this is a good thing!) and partly because I was lazy (this is a less good thing). I scored a 325, and the questions I mostly got wrong were in the vocabulary section and because of timing, because I didn't feel like studying vocab, and because I only timed myself on a practice test once. In my opinion, the questions in this book are generally tougher than what I had on the actual GRE (aside from vocab, as vocab is basically just vocab either way). So here is what I would do:

1. I would go through at least 1 of each section in this book - READ THROUGH THE EXPLANATIONS OF WHAT YOU GOT WRONG.
2. Then take the first ETS free practice test (download PowerPrep II onto your computer if you have one, otherwise I believe they have a paper version as well).
3. Then look over your score (ETS doesn't give you explanations, so you'll have to go by your score and intuition to see what you didn't understand).
4. Do the rest/as much as possible left of the sections in this book. If you can't finish all of them, at least do the sections that you struggled most on.
5. Then take the second ETS free practice test.
6. Then do vocabulary. This book is similar to all other GRE books in the way they attack vocab (basically try to get you to memorize as many words as possible). This works for some people, but it takes a long time, and quite often seems counterproductive if you won't remember the words after the test anyway. If you have the time and means, what I suggest to do is to read news editorials and opinionated articles and look up the words you don't know. This way, you really get the context of the word not only in the sentence, but also from the article and content itself. It is surprising how many words you've read and glossed over, thinking you knew what it meant, only to realize that you were completely wrong.

I hope this review is helpful to you stressed-out students and/or nontraditional GRE takers! Good luck, friends.

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)

This was a nice book to have because it gives good explanations to all the questions. The book is cumbersome though and I preferred to just use the online component. There are tons of quantitative questions to practice online but they skip all the verbal chapters on the website. There are still lots of verbal questions in the book though. I knew that size of the book when I bought it but I really think this should be a few smaller books bundled together so you can actually take it places with you. It was just a bummer there was no verbal online and I really don't understand why they chose to do that.

Pretty good book, this is definitely a supplement book to use as it only includes a large amount of questions for you to practice on but doesn't include any tips or any other information on what to expect for the GRE. The answers for every question are very detailed and you can still learn a lot

from this, but it definitely helped me more with the quantitative portion. The book is about 2/3 quantitative and they go through many types ranging from algebra and ratios to statistics and geometry. While I only used this as a reference for the GRE and did fairly well, I would recommend getting this along with another book that discusses more about tips and introductory info for the GRE.

I used this book exclusively to prepare for the GRE, starting 3 months in advance. This book is excellent! Just took the GRE today, and achieved the scores that I aimed for (Unofficial 161V, 164Q, Writing TBA).

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