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Manhattan Prep GRE Set Of 8 Strategy Guides, 3rd Edition (Instructional Guide/Strategy Guide)



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Developed by Manhattan Prep's high-caliber GRE instructors, the 3rd edition GRE strategy guides have been updated to provide students with in-depth instruction in the test's principal content areas. Written by Manhattan Prep's 99th percentile GRE instructors, these strategy guides contain detailed lessons and strategies for question formats that will appear on the revised GRE. Included in this all-in-one set are books devoted to each of the test's major content areas, including Algebra; Fractions, Decimals, & Percents; Geometry; Number Properties; and Word Problems. The Quantitative Comparisons & Data Interpretation guide provides students the understanding necessary to attack each of these unique question types. For the verbal section, the Text Completion & Sentence Equivalence guide provides a comprehensive approach to the GRE's vocabulary questions, while the Reading Comprehension & Essays guide equips students with the critical tools and strategies needed to master these portions of the test. Included in this set are: The Algebra GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707912) The Fractions, Decimals, & Percents GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707929) The Geometry GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707936) The Number Properties GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707943) The Word Problems GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707974) The Quantitative Comparisons & Data Interpretation GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707905) The Reading Comprehension & Essays GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707950) The Text Completion & Sentence Equivalence GRE Strategy Guide (ISBN: 9781935707967) Purchase of this set includes one year of access to 6 of Manhattan GRE's online practice exams.

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This new series is amazing they have truly rescaled their testing towards the New GRE. I chewed through Barron's, Princeton, Grubbers, Nova , and Kaplan's materials and this material is above all of them on a prep-standpoint. QuantAlgebra- Great Tips in here on how to solve quadratic equations, as well as dealing with nasty two set equal problems 10/10 Fractions, Decimals, & Percents - Great review on how to use percents much better than Princeton's methods, decimals are easy, and dealing with fractions becomes like clock work. -9/10 Number properties- If you like me a lot of these books (Mainly Kaplan, Princeton, and Grubbers) all break down the rules of Number properties in bizarre or overly specific ways that only seem to make sense for a certain set of problems. Manhattan fixes this so you have a clear set of rules which when applied breaks the rules down into simplicity. The divisibility outlined in this book are killer and incredibly helpful - 10/10 Geometry- If you like me then geometry seemed like ages ago. MGRE (Manhattan GRE) breaks down the rules shape by shape and outlines the rules you'll need to memorize. No FLUFF. -9/10 Word Problems- Everyone has some type of problem which is their weakness this was mine. While I'd like to give this a sterling review like the other this part of Quant seems to escape the MGRE writers. Work/ Distance problems are made much simpler and so are the mixture problems. However, MGRE lacks enough oomph to really draw out the harder problems. -7/10 Quant Comp & Data Interp.

I have studied for the GRE twice in my life, and struggled mightily with the exam initially. Like many, I started out using the base level prep books including Barron's and the Princeton Review, and achieved mediocre results. After doing a bit of GRE research I happened to fall upon Manhattan's GRE prep and was intrigued by reading the highly positive reviews for their product. I elected to shell out the marginally higher costs for them. I am very thankful in this decision, as I finally was able to achieve the scores that have made me into a competitive PHD candidate in the humanities. The best aspect of these books is their ability to actually teach the materials, rather than memorize mere tricks and tips to use when taking on the math and reading problems. I honestly felt that the focus of other products such as Barrons and the Princeton Review, is merely to give you a tips and tricks to utilize when you run into a certain type of problem. While their advice is certainly not irrelevant, Manhattan Prep goes into far greater detail with each type of problem, and provides

excellent game plans for approaching each type of problem and ample practice questions throughout each book. If you have been out of school for a while and need an in depth math review, purchase these books and I know you will come away satisfied. Another amazing advantage of this product is the access to six fully simulated practice exams! The exams are simulated within your browser and are as close to the experience as real life testing as I have found. I went through all six in my exam prep, and feel this was one activities I did in preparing for the exam. The one area where I feel these books are lacking is in their verbal preparation.

I signed up to take the GRE after more than ten years out of professional school and quite literally 20 years since my last math class. I decided against signing up for a costly prep course for the simple reason that I thought its starting point might be too advanced. I purchased this set and worked my way through all six quantitative workbooks on my own. The books are very conducive to self-study and begin with the very VERY basics -- fractions are introduced using a pie chart, for example -- and push through to the more challenging GRE problems. Each workbook has a practice set at the end of each "lesson," along with drill sets and then Easy, Medium, and Hard problems consisting of all of the lessons put together. I found that by the time I had completed each workbook I felt comfortable enough to attempt any problems in that topic; by the time I finished the whole set I felt I could read most GRE math problem, determine what is truly being asked - often it is more than one thing - and begin to solve. The workbooks, in combination with the six practice tests, brought my score up ten points from where I began on the PowerPrep software, which was essentially what I needed. I found the verbal materials a bit of a mixed experience. This might be because verbal concepts are different from math concepts; it could also be that I came to this section with much more knowledge than I did in math. There were certainly useful strategies -- ones that I employed to positive result -- but much of it seemed repetitive. The vocabulary provided was fairly limited -- 1000 words, many of them easy -- and so I used an online app called GRE Vocab Genius which had more than 2000 words, many of them difficult, many of them tested on the GRE.

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