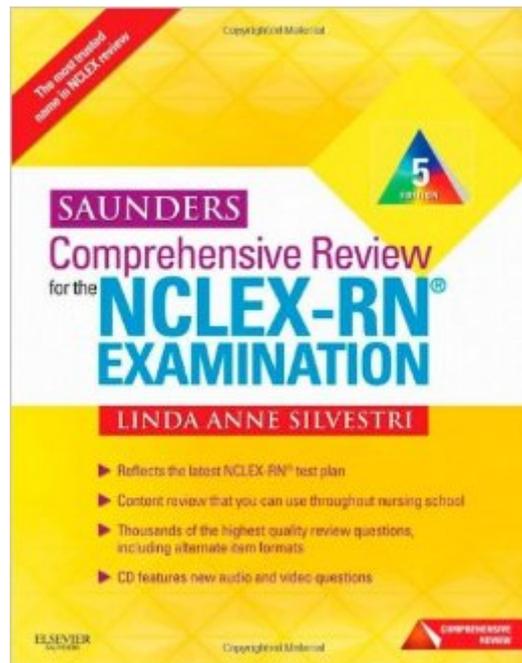


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First let me say I'm writing my review a couple of years late as I took the NCLEX January 2008. Should have written it sooner, but time gets away from you when you're in grad school...I attended University of San Francisco (USF) and they require the HESI exam after each course in order to pass the course and move on. I purchased this book to study for each HESI exam AND also for the NCLEX. this review book is written in a clear, easy to understand manner. It covers all the information that you need in order to pass the NCLEX. I had about 3 other review books, but THIS is the one I used the most and that I feel was most helpful and accurate to the NCLEX. Regarding the

HESI exams if your school uses them: you will want to also use the HESI specific study guide. We (my cohort) found that many of the questions in the HESI study guide were actual test questions just with different wording, so that made the HESI easier. However, for general knowledge and understanding the Saunders book is much better. Think of the HESI as being test specific, so you need it, but the Saunders is more of the 'real deal' for the NCLEX. It is also a much better general review for comprehending concepts, which is helpful for both exams. I STRONGLY recommend you use flash cards to study as well. Don't get the kind with multiple questions on each card - you can't use as easily because when you flip them over to check your answer you then see the answers to the other questions that are on the same card. Make sure they only have one question per card. I punched holes in them and put them on a ring to carry around. Lastly, my husband helped me study and often he would guess at answers also just for fun.

I went through an accelerated nursing program, and therefore it was difficult to retain information. Before I knew it, I was graduating from nursing school. Because I didn't do too well on the HESI modules (nclex type questions our school required us to do), I decided that I needed to buy one of these books. I KNEW that I did not learn my information in the way that I wanted or was expected. I could not afford the Hurst or Kaplan reviews, but I knew deep down that I didn't need them. I just needed a good review book and I heard good things about this book. Let me tell you, if I had to do nursing school all over again, I would have bought one of these books with my classes. The strength of having one of these books is that it gets at the bare bones of what you need to know (and eliminates the studies and research that authors like to fill your textbook up with). Furthermore, the book is set up in a way where you can see patterns and similarities between conditions and care (you need to read it ALL no matter how boring and repetitive it may seem, because it is THIS repetition that will enable you learn it). After going through the chapters in the book, I was able to raise my scores in the hesi modules. Therefore, I knew I was learning the information in the way I was expected to learn. I guess you can say that I cleaned up the areas that I was weak in. I passed my NCLEX in 75 questions on my first shot and began getting the difficult questions early on with my NCLEX examination (FYI, getting difficult questions on the NCLEX means you're doing very well and will likely pass). I have to give this book a lot of credit for preparation for the exam.

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