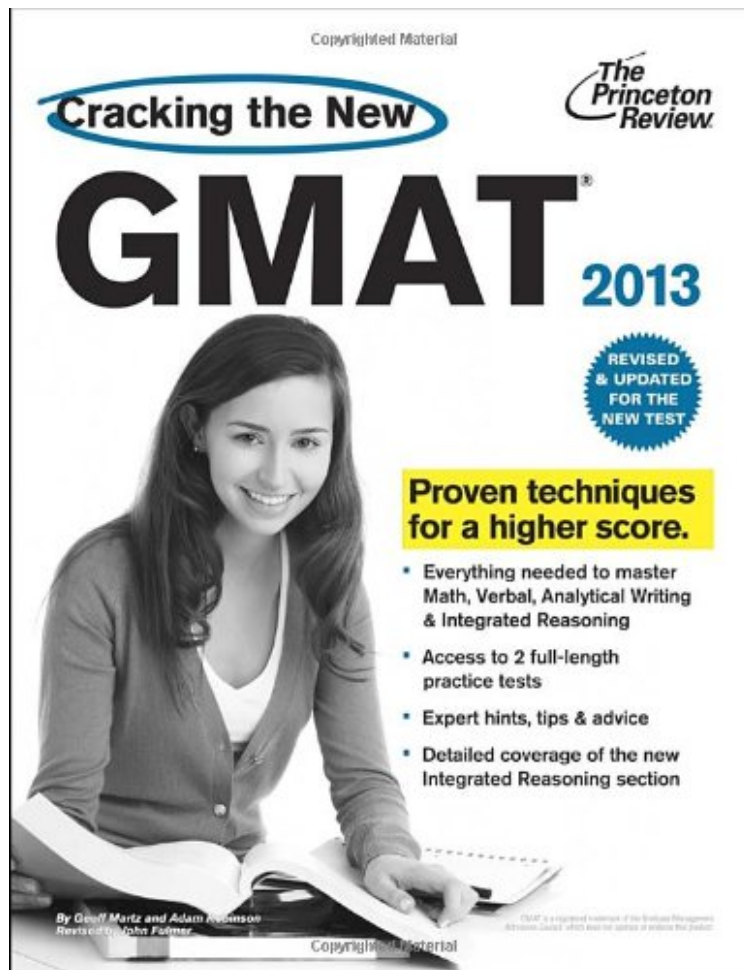


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8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Way to many errors in this book! By Brian There are way to many errors in this book for it be considered a good stand-alone study guide. When I read other's reviews I thought they were just being petty but there are some serious issues that can actually cause you to stumble on the test. Beside the issues already listed by others a couple of the more glaring errors are: 1. In a table they tell you MEMORIZE for the math section they have: $1/4 = 0.333$, $1/2 = 0.333$, and $1/3 = 0.333$. Really?! $1/4$ equals the exact same thing as $1/2$ and $1/3$.

They flip back and fourth on whether a 0 is considered to be a positive or negative number or neither. At least twice they state that 0 is NEITHER a negative or positive number. Then two other times they state that can be BOTH a positive and negative number. Then they actually show math questions that the answer would change on depending on the real state of 0. I had to actually go look on the Internet to figure out what was actually true (it is neither).³ For the verbal section, the Conclusion of a statement was "In video and movies, images can be manipulated". The question for the quiz was What can be inferred from the passage. One of the answer choices was that "image manipulation can be used for video and movies". The guide said this was not the right answer because the reader was reading too much into the passage (from the guide: this statement goes too far to be the correct answer). A few other issues I have is the make most of their questions too easy. A lot of it is done for simplicity to drive home a point, but for almost all of the example questions the answer is so obvious that you don't need their tricks or techniques to figure out the answer. On the plus side their tips and tricks are great (i.e. Plug in the answer, Process of Elimination, etc). If you are going to just read one book, don't let this be it. If you are going to read a couple and want some good tricks this is a good additional resource, just don't trust them for the math review (just use their tricks). 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This book is great! By Dana This book does a really nice job in explaining different concepts/techniques on how to solve the types of problems/questions on the GMAT. I understand that there are several errors in the book which might hinder its validity, but regardless you can learn a lot from the ideas presented in it. I increased my score 100 points using this book as a study guide! Granite my first score wasn't great because I barely studied, but this book really enabled me to get over the hump. I only had a month to study, so I ordered this book and tried to memorize and study the different techniques described in it. It definitely helped, as I was able to take what I learned and use it on test day. Overall, I was quite pleased with this book despite its errors, and would recommend it to those wanting to try different techniques or new ways to study. 10 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Take strategies away from this book By Kari H. I used this book in my 3 week cram session for the GMAT in July 2012. I used this book for the strategies, and a gauge of where I was at. I definitely used the help and tips on tackling Data Sufficiency questions fast. Another reviewer mentioned some errors, which I also noticed. There was a question on the online practice test that was wrong... but this is not the real thing so don't worry about it. The vast majority of the content is correct and the answer explanations are better than those in the official GMAT online prep. I just accepted my offer to the UW LMBA program so the strategies and test timing worked! There are actually 4 practice tests available and then two on the official GMAT website. Do them all if you have time. This is the only way to know if you are ready for the timed, difficultly changing test. Good luck!

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