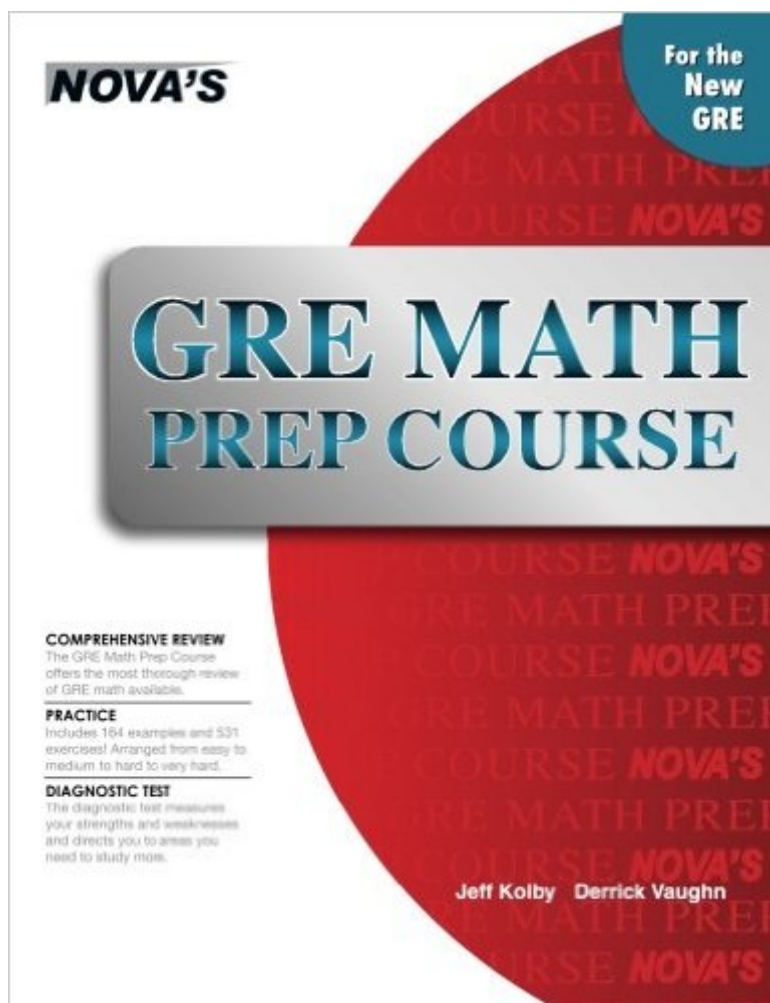


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This is the first GRE book that didn't infuriate me. Many other books are full of down-right stupid questions that are only difficult because they involve a great deal of tedious arithmetic (the average

of the eight numbers in column A vs. the average of the nine numbers in column B). I've come across a book that assumed that I remember a bunch of unit conversions (how many feet in a mile, cups in a gallon), and one nasty book in particular (now out of print) that kept switching back and forth between integers and real numbers without specifying which set is being used. Still other books describe a bunch of "strategies" that are ridiculously time consuming and cannot be used realistically on the actual exam. Thankfully, this book had none of the faults I've just described. While there are some errors, they weren't as numerous as they are in most other GRE books. The book is split up into over two dozen chapters, each chapter dealing with a specific type of problem such as geometry, substitution, and exponents & roots. This allows you to focus on each problem type, one at a time, so that you can be sure you have thoroughly mastered it. Personally, I think this approach is much more beneficial than learning some general strategies for solving what are, essentially, very different types of problems. Another great feature is that the book categorizes each problem by the level of difficulty (Easy, Medium, Hard, Very Hard). The problems labeled "Very Hard" are intended to be more difficult than any problem found on the GRE, and solving them is a great confidence booster. I have a stack of GRE books including ones by Kaplan and Princeton Review, and this is by far the best GRE Math book I've come across. Highly recommended.

Alright, I'm going to tell you what I didn't find out until almost too late.. There are no comprehensive tricks or strategies to the GRE (skip all those Kaplan books which meander around all the 'tricks'), and no simply re-learning a set of concepts (such as in the Cliffnotes math review, which got great reviews as well, but after using it, realized I only had a rudimentary/non practical understanding of GRE math concepts). These are not sufficient for an above average score (if you are looking for a 'just survive this math section without failing miserably' kind of score then the Cliffnotes Math Standardized Test Review will do). In reality, on the test, you will have just over a minute to detect the concept that a question is not simply asking you to use, but it is manipulating the concept in a way where you have to be familiar with the very process of answering it. In my opinion the only way to prepare for this is to do practice problems, and this book has LOTS. One warning to reiterate here though, you will need time, probably at least a month, as some of these practice problems are very hard. Indeed, this is the goal of the book-- to present you with easy, medium, hard, and very hard practice problem types for each concept, the very hard ones being harder than any problem you would actually see on the test. While going through all the necessary topics, it does do a bit of explaining, and offers very helpful tips on how to approach certain problems and problem types. The answer explanations are very in depth.

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