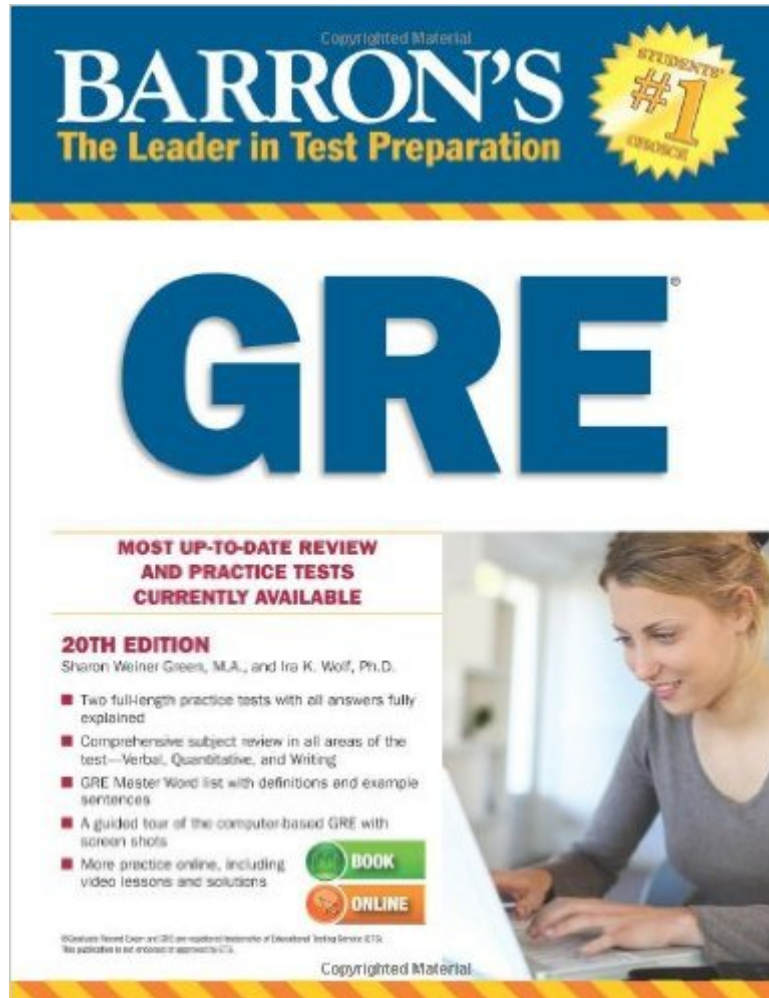


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I purchased this book knowing I mainly needed to study math for the GRE but also hoping to use the Master List of GRE vocab. The mathematics sections are helpful; the book explains the importance of moving through problems in the quickest possible way even without fully solving. It then goes on to dissect individual problems and how to use various methods to move through them quickly. Even with the step by step directions on each problem, I couldn't understand the math. I hired a tutor to assist me in studying, which could be my math ability or it could be the book's explanations. She found the book generally helpful as we worked through problems and their easiest solutions. I studied math the day of the test and 4 of the 10 problems I studied that morning showed up on the test. The English master list was what it was. I made flashcards of the words I didn't know and really studied hard. None of those words were on the GRE. There was challenging vocab, but I was familiar with it from being a reader and not because of the book. All in all, this book was helpful and I don't know if I would have had as much structure or guidance in how to study without it.

This book has a lot of useful information and practice problems. However, I preferred an online GRE prep course I took through BenchPrep. Normally that course is \$150 but there was a Groupon for \$25 so I bought it. Don't pay \$150 for it, but at \$25 I liked it better than the book. Still, the book is good enough. Also, the GRE website has a bunch of free practice stuff as well:

[https://www.ets.org/gre/revised\\_general/prepare/](https://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/prepare/) Got a 166/160/4.5 on the test (Math, Verbal, Writing).

I would definitely give this review book five out of five stars. It is a comprehensive review of what to expect on the GRE, as well as lots of practice questions. I feel like this is helping me prepare for the exam. I'm glad I purchased this, and I feel like the price was fair. The paper is thin, but doesn't create a big issue for me...just be careful what kind of pen you use because many of them will bleed through to the other side!

I passed with high marks on the first try and this book was really helpful. The GRE was the hardest standardized test I ever took and has a very short time limit per section. The tips and tricks in this book are invaluable and the writing section was especially helpful. All around, the book and the online resources from the book through Barron's were what I needed to ensure I got the scores I needed for my program.

This is a pretty comprehensive study book. I've looked through many GRE study books and I think that some of the guides for math problems are over complicated. I like the example questions and problems at the end of each section.

I initially began studying for the GRE with Barron's, and while I felt that it provided me a great word list and a long math review, I realized that it nowhere had the kind of complicated questions that I found on ETS's free practice material. I then bought the ETS book, even though half of it can be found for free on their website, including Powerprep, which is basically what is on their CD. I wanted their material in book format and most importantly I wanted their practice questions, which I felt challenged me on a whole other level. All of their content is so much harder than Barron's, and they also cover some math concepts that Barron's surprisingly didn't touch much on, like graphs, box plots, etc. They even list examples of essay responses, which Barron's didn't do (surprisingly vacuous section of the book). I'm glad I bought the ETS book - I do not want to be surprised on the day of the test. Barron's was definitely a weaker version of ETS, although I think it's not bad if you need a general overview of everything and you have a couple of months to do it. Then you can buy another book (like I did the ETS) depending on the areas you need more practice on.

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