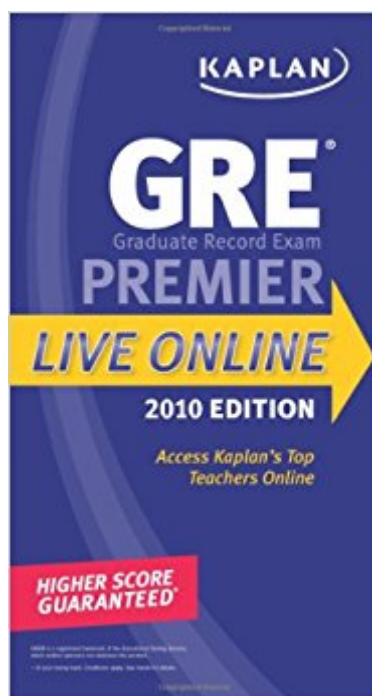


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I ordered this book, the Kaplan GRE math review book, and the Kaplan GRE vocab flashcards, and I also separately (off) purchased the Princeton GRE review book. I got these materials at the end of July and did not start studying hard (about 3 hours a day) until 6 weeks before the test, but the combination of these materials prepared me well. The Kaplan offers a decent variety of questions and a good overview of vocab/math, but I preferred the Princeton book better, to be honest. It was more accessible, and the math review was VERY basic, which was just what I needed. Coupled with the Kaplan math review book, I feel like my sources gave me a very good overview of skills I needed to know. The great thing about Kaplan is the online companion, which provides helpful quizzes, study plans, and 4 full-length tests, three of which are CATs. The answers to all these quizzes and tests are fully explained, so they helped me a great deal. As far as verbal sections are concerned, the cards and books seemed clear and helpful, but as the verbal section of any test has always been my strong point, I did not really study verbal very much. The cards do provide 500

"standard" GRE words, and I have to admit that I saw about 7-10 of them on today's test (yup, I took it this afternoon). If you are worried about vocab (and the GRE really amounts to a big vocab test), I would invest in the cards. Likewise, if you are worried about the essays, I would invest in the Princeton book, which has an excellent, step-by-step approach to writing solid essays. The most important thing, though, is practice. These materials will help you review concepts, but practice is key for getting a handle on test pacing (and effective pacing has everything to do with good score, as you are penalized for unanswered questions). I did get somewhat flustered during today's Quant section, but using the various strategies I learned from these resources, I still managed to get a 630 in Quant (which is a triumph for this English major, especially since my poor pacing forced me to guess on the last 13 questions). I got an 800 in Verbal, and I do think the practice drills and tests helped my pacing. I don't know my AWA scores yet, but I completed them with a few minutes to spare. While no particular combination of study materials will guarantee good GRE score, I found that these particular resources worked well for me!

This book is good for practicing computer adapted tests (CAT). If you want to get the feel and acclimate yourself to computer adapted tests, this is the book for you. I am used to paper based exams and I am very wary of the new GRE format. I took my first GRE exam last week and I scored in the top 90th percentile, thanks to this book. Not including the diagnostic test, you will have access to fifteen online simulated GRE tests, which to my opinion almost similar to the actual GRE test that I took last week. There are six monthly quizzes (allowed access for six months), five full length practice questions (allowed access for 6 months also) and four free full length tests in Kaplan's website for all "registered" users good for 3 months. I bought this book off .com and I didn't know if it's worth its price because a lot of people gave this book less than three stars. The book was discounted so I thought it's worth a try. In order to use this book you have to register to Kaplan's website, the instruction is on PAGE 4, which I unfortunately missed, so I was left searching the internet and inside the book for a good frustrating 30 minutes of my life. Kaplan could have printed the instruction on the back cover or front cover to save customers time. Once you are registered, Kaplan will send you email of your code so you can use their online tests and everything went beautifully afterwards. Kaplan will not send you junk mails if you opt out in their marketing offers. It's the best little money I have spent on a review book. I did not use the live online session because I only have less than six weeks to review so I cannot give opinion on this feature. So here's my two cents: Feature #1 About the GRE: this book explains what to expect and what to do about GRE test day. It has eight fast facts videos lasting 2-3 minutes each which I find useful, especially tips to

concentrate on the FIRST SIX QUESTIONS and what to bring on test day like tylenol,lol. The tips are direct. It has also GRE study sheets that you can print.Feature #2 Analytical Writing: English is not my native language, so I really find this feature useful. It helped me with writing strategies, like be concise, don't mince words and be honest with your opinions on a subject matter but not too weird, you know what I mean?;)If you want to get a better score, you might want to check out other GRE review books which I used: BARRON'S,and NOVA. But nothing beats Kaplan's for interactive tests.Last thing, if you are weak on your math foundation, you might want to try Nova math bible and study Barron's for a good period of time and finish off with Kaplan because Kaplan assumes you have good foundation.

SHEESH!! I have had the hardest time getting the silly online portion to work. While Kaplan says you can contact them, either by the chat live, or the 800 or an email, I have tried all three and gotten nothing back from Kaplan. I can only hope I get into the web site sometime soon...how frustrating!From what I can tell, however, once I can get it, this will be great. I have their non-online premier, as well as their vocab cards and math prep. I also have Princeton, which I also like.Who ever *they* are, they say Kaplan is the best- and perhaps it is. I like their questions, and for the most part, it seems to work well in preparing you for the test- given what I have read in their books thus far, the strategies seem very helpful.Do as I say and not as I do- live vicariously and don't get both the premier and the live premier, however, as they are almost the same. The premier comes with a CD- and the live does not. Other then that, it seems pretty close to the same thing.My promise to you: Once I get in to their web site, I will let you know what to do to get in yourself! Otherwise, you may end up missing your test date just trying to conquer the darn web site! Stay tuned!

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