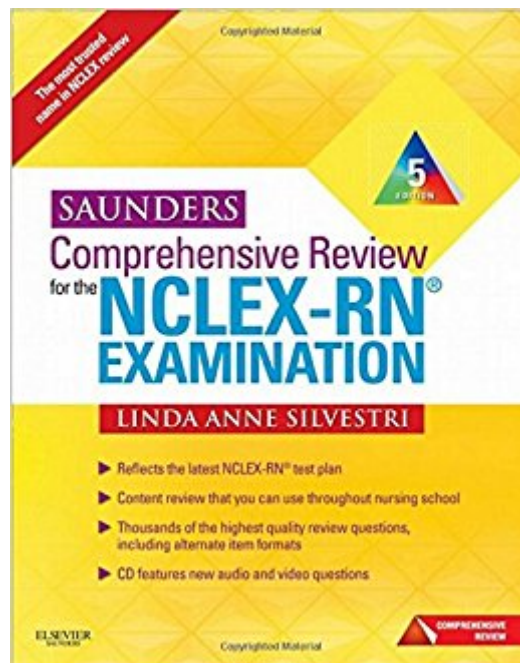


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# Saunders Comprehensive Review For The NCLEX-RN Examination, 5th Edition



## Synopsis

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physical assessment highlights the key components of physical examination and health history often encountered on the NCLEX exam. Audio and video questions on the companion CD provide experience with these new types of questions before the exam. Unique! Audio review summaries included on the CD cover the three core areas of pharmacology, fluids and electrolytes, and acid-base balance. Expanded coverage of prioritization, delegation, and nursing leadership and management provides critical information for these growing areas of nursing. Unique! Priority Nursing Actions boxes outline and explain clinical emergent situations requiring immediate action, including detailed rationales and textbook references to help strengthen your prioritizing skills in clinical and testing situations. Pyramid Alert boxes highlight important nursing concepts to help you focus on the content that is most frequently tested on the NCLEX examination. Automatic software updates on CD make it easy to check for changes and updates throughout the life of the edition.

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Highly recommend this book. I passed the NCLEX on my first try with 75 questions using this book as my main study tool. The test taking strategies explained in this book are on point. The practice tests are great and explain in detail the rationale for each answer, this book is the greatest preparation for passing the NCLEX; the first time. Another great study aid that really helped me with the NCLEX is [Neutropix](#) - it is an amazing supplement that enhances your memory, focus and

cognition, great for studying. Good luck with the NCLEX!

Saunders is the best Review for the NCLEX hands down. I can't personally say that I have tried other books, but I'll start off by saying that I passed the NCLEX. On my first try. With 1 month to study. After being out of nursing school for a year without reviewing. For reasons that are too long to detail here, I was having difficulty scheduling my NCLEX due to various factors. Due to some miscommunication mostly on my part, I found that they had scheduled me to take the NCLEX and had given me a test date which was exactly one month away. You can imagine the overwhelming panic that came over me as I realized I had been out of nursing school since December 2012, and it was now mid-January 2014. Anyone reading this that is thinking of "taking a break" from nursing after graduating before preparing for the NCLEX... do not wait a year like I did. This will help prevent a lot of unnecessary stress. The tools I used to review included this book (the Kindle version) which is the 6th edition, and NCSBN's learning extension review for the NCLEX online. Now the reason that I purchased the Kindle version of Saunders was because I had ordered the physical copy of the Saunders 5th Edition book and it was taking much longer than expected to arrive to me. At the time I was living in a small town in Alaska, and Barnes & Noble or was not readily available to me to purchase an NCLEX review book. As I became more and more anxious for the 5th Edition to come in, I could not NOT study and wanted a textbook in addition to the lessons online on NCSBN. I opted to purchase the Kindle edition of this book so that it could be delivered to me right away electronically and I could begin reviewing. I wanted the physical copy of the 5th edition for a reason though. Many reviews online from students expressed that the CD that comes with the 5th edition hard copy was very valuable and the practice questions and lessons on the CD helped other studying students tremendously. That CD was what I was after, to help me review & master the material that I would be going over in the book. I had an issue with the 5th edition not coming with that CD... and other reviewers online had the same concern. But I will clear the air and say to anyone using the CD as a deal breaker between these two editions, the 6th edition may not come with the CD, but it comes with an online membership to a website containing the EXACT SAME MATERIAL found on the physical CD that comes with the 5th Edition! Once I received the 5th Edition in the mail I was able to compare the two, and really, the content on the Saunders review website with the 6th Edition is the same as the content on the CD with the 5th Edition. Even more, the content of the entire book of the 6th Edition is nearly identical to the content within the 5th Edition. The difference between the two texts are unnoticeable besides the fact that the content is reordered in the 6th Edition. The content in these books were incredibly informative. For someone

who had not reviewed for a long time, I was able to get back into the swing of things using these texts, and the "Pyramid Points" were absolutely KEY to remember. Every chapter was equipped with important, to the point information, highlighting facts & strategies that were imperative to remember. Each chapter then concluded with review questions that were similar to what I was actually tested on. I would also recommend the audio reviews on the CD or review website. Use the testing strategies that are outlined in these books. When I was stumped on a question because I just didn't know the answer from not knowing the content, I was able to use the strategies they taught to narrow down options to find the right answer. When I took the exam I used up the whole time and I answered questions at my own pace. I tried to not feel rushed, and I didn't really utilize the breaks except for once. At the time I took it, I didn't feel completely confident that I passed, but at the same time I knew that I had been prepared well and a lot of the content I was tested on had been covered in my Saunders texts. A couple days later I found out that I passed! What a gratifying feeling, and I do owe it to Saunders mostly, and in part to NCSBN's review, but if I could weight it I would give Saunders 89% of the credit and 11% of it to NCSBN. Bottom line, I would recommend these books, both the 5th and 6th edition, to any nursing student preparing for the NCLEX. If I could pass the NCLEX studying only for 1 month (technically, 3.25 weeks, as I was delayed in starting from waiting for the 5th edition to come in before I began studying with the 6th edition on Kindle), and I had been out of school for over a year, then you definitely can pass using these tools especially if you have a lot more time to study than I did. Hopefully this helps! Good luck to all studying! Regards, Nicole, RN-BSN ;)

I graduated college with a 3.2 GPA. I was a hard working and loved nursing. I took a Kaplan course the week after I graduated. I did 1,000s of question on Kaplan. Took my test- 265 question and failed! I was crushed. Used Kaplan again. studied hard. test #2, 143 questions, failed. At a loss, I bought a Lippincott book. Had only Q&A, no content. Did over 1/2 the book and took the test again. test #3, 265 questions and failed. At a complete loss, I researched what i should do. I was certain i was never going to pass. I was studying so hard and could not seem to pass the test. I bought this book on and fell in love with it from the very beginning. Each chapter had 10-30 pages of content and then questions pertaining to the content at the end of the chapter. The cd has 1,000s of questions, tests, and practice questions. I walked into the test last week, extremely nervous. Having finished this entire book, I knew there was nothing more i could have done. I started the test, hoping for 265 questions again, as i thought that was the only hope i had of passing. You cannot even imagine my surprise when the computer shut off at 75! I was beyond shocked! I cried there in the

testing center! Then went home and waited 2 days. I was shaking when i logged on to see! AND I PASSED! i am 100% sure that this book is the reason I passed. I am so grateful i found this book! A must buy!

Saunders has good pathophysiology review (great for Med Surg 1!), but I've found that the questions don't prepare you for the NCLEX or exams in nursing school, especially select all that apply! My Med Surg 2 class was killer, and the exams consisted of 50% select all that apply questions, a-e option, no partial credit. It was brutal, to say the least. What did we all use to prepare for the same rigor? Lippincott-this is what the professor told us to use. If you "weren't getting a 90% or above" two days before the exam using Lippincott, we weren't going to pass her exams. Even our professors at our top Boston ABSN school had told us Saunders does not well reflect NCLEX rigor, although the content is the same. This is just what was reflected at my particular school, but from my exams having just been through many ABSN exams-Saunders doesn't reflect the rigor. I do love the outlines and feel it's worth the money for this reason alone.

I passed the NCLEX with 75 questions, although it wasn't entirely because of this book. This book is great content review, I read it cover to cover, however most of the questions are not "Competency Level" NCLEX questions. The questions are good to help you learn the content but I highly recommend Uworld for NCLEX level questions with amazing rationales.

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