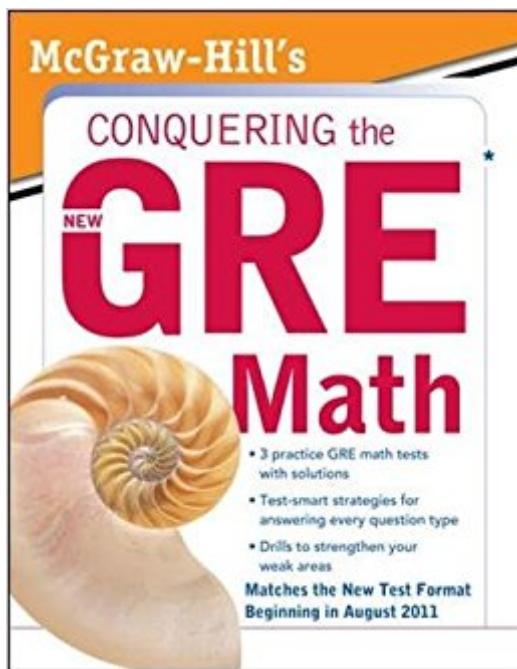


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# McGraw-Hill's Conquering The New GRE Math



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I took the revised GRE yesterday. Several weeks ago I was feeling really weak on my math skills, even though I had worked through a Princeton Review book. The PR book was just too much strategy and not enough actual math. This book walked me through examples of math that I just didn't remember, and had lots of practice problems for every skill. It was absolutely phenomenal and I would recommend it to anyone who feels shaky on GRE math. I was feeling pretty confident going into the test yesterday after working through this book over the past few weeks, and I knocked it out of the park!

I felt that this book was a great way to review all of the basic math fundamentals from grade school that I had forgotten. The difficulty of the questions is not on-par with the actual GRE, but I used this book as a way to start reviewing for the quant section. After going through this entire book, I started to look at actual GRE questions and get into the harder aspects of the quant section.

Get supplemental material if you're not 100% sure how to already do most of this. It doesn't do that great of a job explaining step-by-step. I used it in conjunction with the Magoosh site, which is a recommended material. Decent review though.

This is a decent book that helps with the math portion of the GRE. Used it along with two other guides, one website and the official guide for the test, and this offers the practice that the other two guides were lacking. If all you care about is the math and only wanted one study guide to choose, then I would pick this book over the official guide. My only complaint with this book is that I felt like there was not enough discussion on some of the problems presented to help me better understand. Lastly, I feel the flow could be improved.

I got this book because it was one of the cheapest - and worth the price. It's pretty terrible. I would say, though, that it does have a couple practice tests in it, and for less than \$15, is probably a good purchase as a supplementary study book. But definitely do NOT use it alone, it by no means preps

you enough. Lots of the examples in it are overly simplified. The practice tests that it has in it are waaaaay to easy, not realistic questions for what you actually see on the GRE. It also does this thing where it gives you super basic information (like the definition of addition) but then assumes that you are capable of manipulating large numbers in your head like its no big deal. It came off to me like they just took lots of pieces from their previous books, shoved em all together under this "NEW GRE" release, and didn't put any thought into actually being effective. I would give it only 1 star, but like I said, its a cheap source for some practice problems. But for a book that will actually help you, go with the Nova Math book.

I used this book to review math concepts before looking at the math portion of my Barron's GRE book (which covered all portions of the test, not just quantitative). The McGraw-Hill book felt tedious at times, in part because of how much information they cram onto each page without diagrams. In comparison, I liked the Barron's math chapters much more and found them better organized and easier to understand. The McGraw Hill book unfortunately lacks the test-taking tactics that Barron's provides, which I found extremely useful during the test. Having not taken math since high school, I did re-learn important quantitative concepts from the McGraw Hill book, but I felt like I didn't thoroughly learn them until I reinforced the same concepts with the quantitative section of the Barron's general GRE prep book. Regardless, this book contributed, to some extent, to my (hallelujah!) high score in the 98th percentile. If you're going to use it, use it in tandem with another study resource.

Loved this book! I liked that it has a lot of practice problems and really breaks down complicated topics. Unfortunately, this is pretty much just good to give you a basic understanding, as the real GRE questions are not as simple. I used this with another GRE study guide, reviewing this book first.

This book is great for refreshing your math skills, however it should not be your only resource. Of all the GRE prep materials I've used to study for the quant section, this is clearly the easiest. It provides good overview of number properties, quadratic equations, standard deviations, square roots etc. However, I did notice that most geometry principles are explained in pros without presenting a figure for illustrating the concept. This seems like an incredibly inadequate way to present geometric laws. Either way, after starting with this book, move on to the Kaplan and Nova books for an accurate depiction of the real math on the GRE. After taking the practice tests under

timed conditions and getting all 800 scores with McGraw Hill New Gre Math, I knew something was wrong. And I am NOT great at math. Therefore, this book has only limited value. Supplement supplement and practice practice, just one resource is seldom the best resource.

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