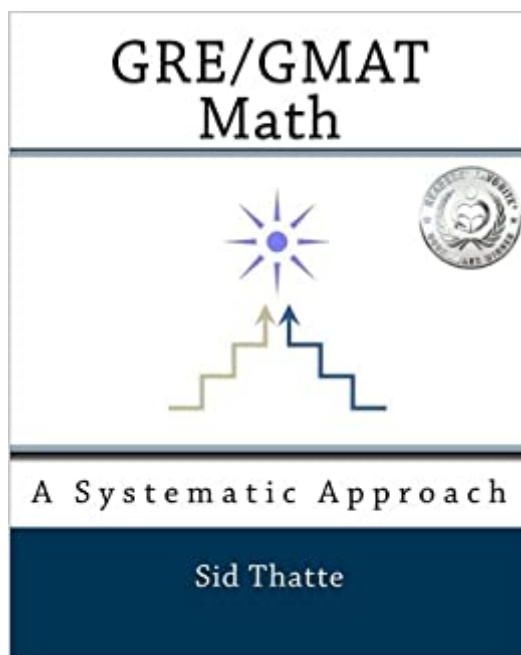


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# GRE/GMAT Math: A Systematic Approach



## Synopsis

If you have ever wished for a book that would equip you with the knowledge base to answer math questions on any topic pertaining to the GRE/GMAT, then this book could be your answer. A timeless edition, it is neither as boring nor as technical as a textbook; yet it lucidly explains every single math concept you may encounter on these tests. Moreover, it features over 500 solved examples as well as over 500 practice questions (with full solutions) to reinforce what you learn. The author recommends finishing this book before starting with full-length sample tests from various sources, and returning to it as needed. Awarded the KIRKUS STAR by Kirkus Reviews, and a SILVER MEDAL at the 2014 Readers' Favorite® International Book Awards, this book does not focus primarily on short cuts. Nor is it written assuming anything about your level of preparedness. Once you understand the subject matter, short cuts will automatically occur to you. The book shows you how. This book employs an easy-to-understand, conversational style text that native as well as non-native speakers of English would appreciate. It is so well-organized that there is a chance you might retain it as a general reference for math concepts.

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This is the only book that I found that truly teaches mathematics. The other books that I tried seem like they would be good for review of things that you have already learned. This book teaches by starting with the basics. From what I have found, it is the next best thing to having a good math teacher sitting next to you. All the concepts that I need are covered in a step-by-step fashion. I wish that I had this book back in high school because it provides clearer instruction than I received in some of those classes.

Excellent book. This book is written in a clear and concise way and is a great resource if you need a quick refresher on a subject. Good practice problems too.If you need to re-learn a subject in greater detail, I recommend the Khan Academy.Good luck!

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Mr Sid Thatte has presented a very good Math workbook in a very traditional format. The author does not believe in frills and fringe methods - he is a traditional mathematician who believes in working out the problems and learning the concepts. His presentation is very methodical and he covers a wide array of concepts. The "Word Problems" section is extremely well done and they are grouped into different categories, which make for easy learning. This book is for someone who really wants to master the Math on the GRE/GMAT. It is not for someone looking for shortcut methods and some glossy presentation of Math topics. This is a book for the serious student who has both the time and motivation to learn. The downsides - and there are only a few - there are a couple of typos here and there (Ex. Page 49 -  $3^3$  is given as 9 instead of 27). The chapters could use a summary section to recapitulate the salient points and also include some problem sets. I would recommend this book to anyone who wants to get a great score on the Math section. Also check out Jeff Kolby's Nova GRE Math prep book (another very impressive effort!). 5 Stars for Sid Thatte's efforts - but there is room for improvement and fine tuning (Software, Chapter summaries and hard problem sets, and a more comprehensive treatment of the tricky Data Sufficiency section). Enjoy reading!

I'm a smart person who dropped out of math my freshman year in high school. Many many years later, I've got it in my head that I want to go to grad school, which means take the GREs, which means face up to my math demons. I picked this book because of the good reviews, and the title appealed to me. I needed a systematic approach, because doing practice questions wasn't going to help me. Aside from a little  $a+b=c$  kind of algebra, where I sort of remembered moving variables and stuff from one side of an equation to another, I was pretty much starting from a blank slate. I began working with Mr. Thatte's book about three weeks ago, and have been taking practice quizzes all throughout. I went from a feeling of abject failure, total cluelessness, to feeling somewhat familiar with many of the questions, and getting a couple right. Can you imagine that? Me, getting math questions right??? I've learned a ton of rules, and then, by working through the problems in the book, have gotten a feel for the rules. That was what was missing in my attempt to learn math before, I could never relate to it, and it always made me feel bad, because I'd always end up with that horrible, horrible wrong answer. But in working with this book I'm actually feeling pretty good. I'm using index cards to work the problems as best I can, then I read through the solution, to see how I did. If I got a wrong answer, I usually see exactly why. So I get a kind of an "Aha" feeling, instead of

an "I SUCK" feeling. Which makes everything more pleasant. And the amount that I've learned, the math that I'm now conversant with, after three weeks, is probably worth three years of high school. Being smart, I can get the gist of it fairly quickly, but being hard on myself, I never gave myself the chance to work it into my understanding by imperfectly working problems. Ask me about exponents and square roots and how many degrees in a straight line and how to calculate the area of a cylinder, and how to factor a quadratic equation (for that I had to supplement the book with YouTube videos - I recommend greenemath.com). After doing this book I'm going to double down on my online practice test taking, but without this book, that would have been a complete waste of time for me. Thank you, Sid Thatte. Thank you, thank you, thank you. I put myself in your hands, you did right by me. I am now officially not a math hater. And I am ready to take my first attempt at the GREs this week, confident that I will recognize something about every problem.

great price

This is my second GMAT book as I had to return the first one - it provided only problems and the final answers (not good for somebody who forgot the simple math). I highly recommend this version since it explicitly explains every topic presented. Not enough to teach you from "the ground zero" but well enough for you to recall the information. As my initial learnings were done in Europe where they teach math differently, and I forgot the European way but didn't know American, this book was sufficient to understand US way of solving problems. The author makes you THINK how to be efficient with time - a huge plus so that you could avoid wasting it. Attn. Mr. Thatte: I haven't gone through the whole book yet, but I think there is a potential for the mistake on pg. 60, the top line. The final answer has  $x$  in  $\exp(14)$  in numerator and square  $y$  is in the denominator, however reviewing the solution it is  $y(14-12)$  and not  $12-14$ , thus square  $y$  should remain in numerator. If I am wrong, anybody welcome to correct me, maybe my brain is just not getting this part. Other than that - great, great, great edition! Worth your money and time. About myself - white collar professional employed in financial analytics.

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