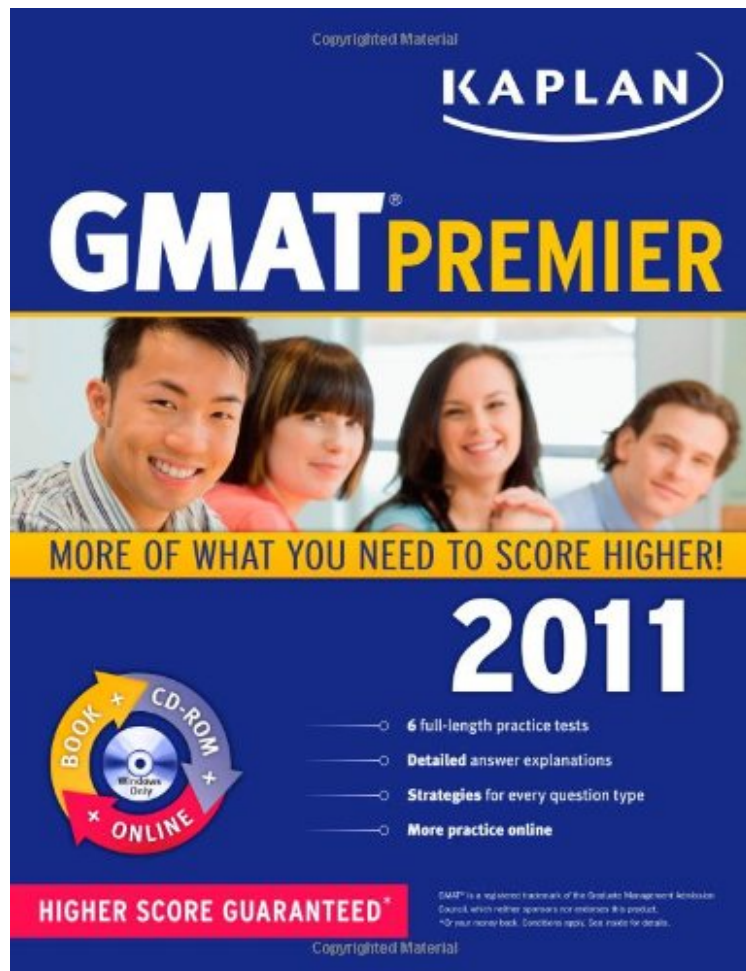


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133 of 136 people found the following review helpful. The Best Starter Book for GMAT but not enough for 700+By GMAT Club (Expert)If you are new to the GMAT, Kaplan Premier is a great book to start with - it provides a good intro to the test (explains the mechanics, basic principles, gets you familiar with the test structure, etc), has solid strategies that you can use regardless of your level, and finally, comes with 6 Adaptive tests. Think of it a starter car - you don't want to start with anything expensive before you know what you are looking for actually.THE GOOD:\* Solid material with great Math and Verbal strategies as well as some background\* Good structure and layout; helps if you are a visual learner\* 6 Full GMAT Tests (5 are in adaptive CAT format on the CD/online and 1 is in a paper

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**THE BAD:**\* Same as the previous editions of this book - would expect a bit more revision from a new edition.\* Access to the online components expires after 1 year. This is the only reason to buy a new book vs used\* CD is windows only (for Mac you will need to use the online registration and take these tests online)\* Does not have the depth and width a 700+ score requires\* 650 Pages and 4 LBS! - not a travel size book

However, it is hard to score 700+ relying just on this book (simply not enough space to fit it all in); you will need to get some other materials to get you bases covered. My suggestion would be to spend a month going through this book and once you know your weaknesses and area that require extra attention, you can do a deep dive with some specialized books (there are quite a few of those).

**SOME OTHER THOUGHTS:**\* What is a good study plan using Kaplan Premier? My recommendation would be to start with this book, finish it in about a month or so (by this time you will learn all the basics about the test, how it works, what is tested, and general strategies for answering questions). Then, you can figure out what's the best use of your time - you may have reached your target score and can stop or perhaps you are really lacking in Quant or Verbal and need a lot more serious practice.\* Will this book give me 700+ score? For the majority of applicants, No. It is not deep enough for most people out of college to refresh the math and verbal fundamentals. You will most likely need other books to help you get there.\* How do I get 700 then? There are several options: 1. Review each section separately using the Kaplan GMAT Math Workbook and Kaplan GMAT Verbal Workbook 2. Thorough/Methodical review of each area - If you have a bit more time, grab the collection of 8 Manhattan Guides. These books are excellent and are actually used in the classroom setting for their classes, so you are definitely get the top books. If you don't need/want the entire collection, see my review for what stand-alone books to get. This plan is likely to get you a higher score with this section but it will also take up more time (about a month more). Decide on the approach based on your starting position, target score, time you have, and willingness to study math and grammar for months without a break.\* Any other books I need to know about? YES. There is one - The Official Guide for GMAT Review, 12th Edition. This book is published by the creators of GMAT and contains real GMAT questions. You should also download the Official GMAT Prep software from GMAC's website (it's free).\*

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Let me know if you have any questions about the book - I reply to comments! (also see additional book images I uploaded)

Good Luck, BB, Founder of GMAT Club

GMAT 750 (q49, v42) 67 of 70 people found the following review helpful. A complete review

By Primadona So, i was frustrated with kaplan in the beginning because the CD wasn't working on my windows 7 computer. Don't waste your time calling kaplan's customer service because from what i've read in online forums, they don't know how to deal with it. However, i came across a thread on microsoft's website about the MCI drivers the CD asks for and here's a way to get around it: Install the CD on your computer, remove it from your computer and restart your computer in safe mode ( hit the F8 key while the black screen is on just before the windows logo appears) and just select the safe mode option. I know some people with vista who select the 'safe mode with command prompt' but i discovered that selecting just the "safe mode" option works perfectly. Once your computer is started, insert the CD and click on the icon and viola!, it should work like a charm. I have a HP windows 7 laptop and it worked wonderfully.

The CD has 6 quantitative test and about the same amount of verbal tests. There are 3 CAT exams on the CD. The exams on the CD actually simulate the real exams way better than the diagnostic i took online. Go figure!

The online companion has 5 exams as well as tons of practice quizzes and what nots. I actually have both the kaplan MCAT and kaplan GRE. The GRE premier is good for a year, at least the online thing says it'll expire august, 2011 compared to the MCAT premier that's only good for 6 months. I read other reviews that the exams and quizzes online weren't available but so far, all of them are showing up at the same time.

The book itself isn't as comprehensive as i was hoping for it to be. it really doesn't have much content. I think you should get the princeton review book and read that first. Also, i recommend kaplan flash cards or barrons essential words for the GRE. Barron's has more words in addition to kaplan's 500. i like how kaplan gives synonyms at the back of the cards along with the sentences. Barrons doesn't give synonyms but the exercises at the end of each of the 10 word lists helps you to understand the word. Better still, the kaplan flashcards have the pronunciations which i think is a great asset.

All in all, this book is ok but i highly recommend the princeton review or barrons in addition to this as kaplan doesn't have much of a content. I like princeton's strategy so far. i gave it 4 stars cuz it's not complete and also for the frustration that comes with searching for ways to use the CD. I hope this helps.

**UPDATE:** I have to take my words back because this book has all you need. If you're a little OCD, i suggest Barron's in addition to this because it's very comprehensive and has the 3500 word list. The kaplan book doesn't appear to have content based on my initial glance through it but after going through it, it has everything you need to score 700+ in each section. I did 4/6 of the quantitative tests and 5/6 of the verbal tests and 1 CAT exam on the CD plus online CAT 5. (Please note the first CAT on CD is very hard). I also did 3/6 of the online quizzes. I scored 49% on the diagnostic after perusing the princeton review. Did barron's and that helped a lot but i still wasn't testing well. 1 week with kaplan and my score

skyrocketed. I highly recommend this book and Barron's. if your goal is to get around 500, you should be ok with The princeton book. English isn't my first, 2nd or even third language so to break 700+ on verbal is impressive. Also, I suggest testing on the CD to simulate testing conditions. The verbal exams has 38 questions timed at 30minutes. the math has 30 questions timed at 30minutes. I had 13 questions uncompleted the first time i took i took the verbal CAT and barely scraped 50% of the questions i answered. After working through the kaplan book, i went from getting 2/7 right in the reading comprehension section to getting at least 6/7 right and finishing the 38 questions with about 2 or 3 minutes to spare. I never got past question 25 on the quantitative test but considering the real deal had 28 questions to be completed in even more time, i wasn't worried. The writing section is the best. I also did one of the CAT on barron's CD. i didn't get the chance to do the princeton exams since i stopped using the book. Also, get the powerprep software from ETS. If you have a 64-bit windows 7 pc, don't bother because it won't work ( I called ETS after having problems installing and the rep told me it won't work). If you have vista, it does work although if it freezes, try running it in safe mode. ETS suggested that and it worked on my other laptop that has a 32-bit windows vista. I only did the first practice test and i didn't find it that helpful because it lacks explanations. however, it's a nice way to see how they test. Oh, and get to the test center early. it sucks to sit there waiting anxiously. I HIGHLY recommend this book. in fact their reading comprehension advice is better than the one in their MCAT book. This book has helped me immensely and i'm very grateful. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. If you're serious about the LSAT, take a course By keyboardfreak88I bought this book telling myself that I would hunker down and study without having to pay the seemingly exorbitant prices of test prep companies. I went through the entire book in two days, practice tests included. The "rules" that this book gives you are painfully inadequate for the actual test. I would be surprised if anyone's score improved at all after using this book. As mentioned by many other reviews, the point of a book or class is to provide basic rules that the LSAT follows. There really are only a few basic "types" of questions and this book gives you very little in terms of substance. I took a course through Blueprint and this book is now sitting gathering dust. Again, this books seriously lacks substance and is a complete waste of time (unless you're cramming just weeks before the exam, in which case this may be the best option available to you).

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