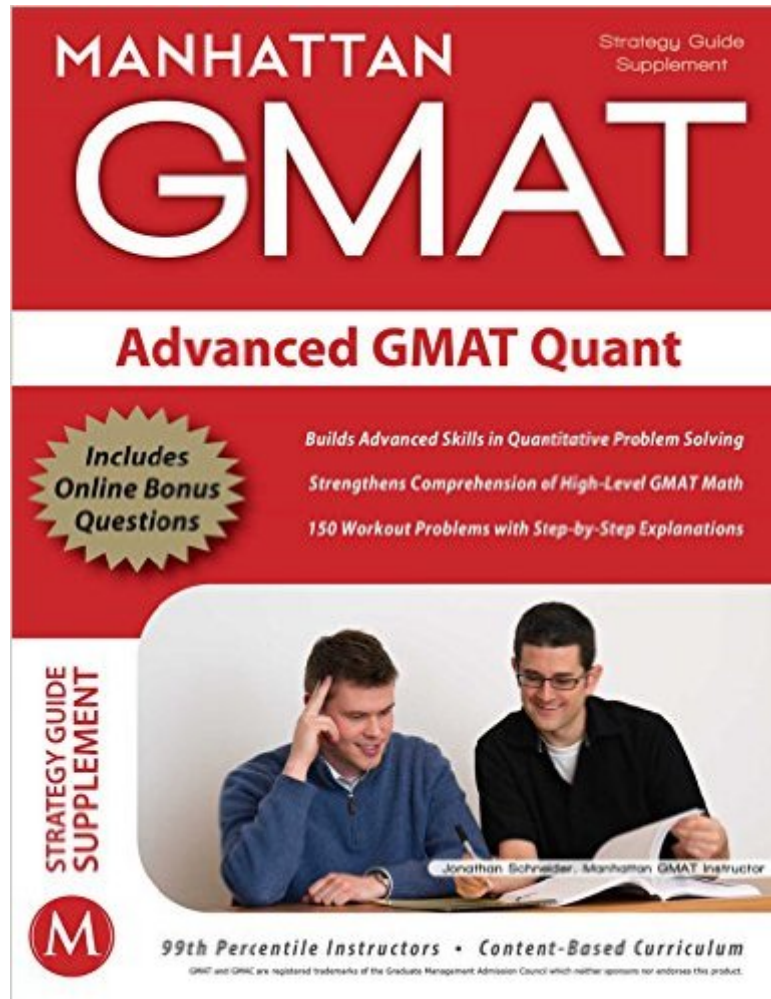# Advanced GMAT Quant (Manhattan Prep GMAT Strategy Guides)

Synopsis

Designed for students seeking 650+ scores, this guide offers essential techniques for approaching the GMATâ ™s most difficult quantitative questions, as well as extensive practice with challenging problems.YouÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve worked through basic guides and youÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve taken the practice testsÃ¢ ¬â •now take your GMAT score to the next level. Build your higher-level quantitative skills with Manhattan GMATÃ¢ ¬â„¢s Advanced Quant supplement, specially designed for students seeking 650+ scores. This guide combines intense practice with techniques for problem solving and data sufficiency questions, ranging from broad principles to tactics for narrowing down possible answers. Purchase of this book includes one year of online access to the Advanced Quant Homework Bank of extra practice questions and detailed explanations not included in the book, as well as to the Advanced Quant Bonus Drill Set.

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Customer Reviews

Before I elaborate on the 'What the heck?' title of my review - skip to the 6th paragraph if you only want to read my review of the book as the first 5 paragraphs are me explaining, albeit in a more profound way, what you may already know about the GMAT; if you want to cut to the chase - it's a fantastic book but I deduct one star because it contains a few errors here and there.So about the subject of the review - One of the most appropriate analogies that I have heard regarding the GMAT is that 'prepare for the GMAT as you would prepare for a boxing match' - you know you are fighting

a very accomplished opponent , you do not have a clue about what kind of punches that opponent will throw at you but ,if you truly want to beat that opponent, you can very well prepare well enough to be able to anticipate what type of punches that opponent will throw at you and counter those punches when they do come.I am a GMAT retaker - a quick summary of what my standing was prior to my taking the GMAT the last time:1) I could easily solve at least 95% of all Official Guide (OG) problems2) On the 2 GMAT Prep tests, I scored a 710 and a 730 respectively3) Aside from the OG, I practiced over a 1000 questions from pretty much every well known resource out thereYet, I bombed the actual GMAT when I took itDon't let my example frighten you - the exam is very beatable (25,000+ people score in excess of 700 each year right?). Aside from the primary mistake, which I am going to elaborate on in this review , I also didn't sleep much before the exam and , on top of that, drove over an hour through traffic infested San Francisco, thereby already stressing out my mind before even sitting down for the test.

I am the founder of GMAT Club, online GMAT community and finally I have one of the first copies of the book in my hands (after pre-ordering it back in October 2010)! I have spent the evening going through it in quite a bit of detail and here are my thoughts:I got 49 on my quant but at first, I was not very comfortable with questions but as I got to know the book, it is actually very manageable. (and not so intimidating). I am giving it 5 stars for the effort and content; there are weaknesses, but they may not be relevant to you. The book is deisnged for someone who has already covered the 5 MGMAT Math books and/or is scoring above Q44 (70th percentile). That's actually the qualifications outlined on the second page of the book and I strongly agree - do not attempt this book/questions before you have become comfortable with math basics and are at a good level.~~~~ Book Overview ~~~~The book consists of 9 chapters:0. Introduction (they even start numbering chapters at zero)[3g, 0e]1. Problem Solving Principles [4g, 5e]2. Problem Solving Strategies & Tactics [12g, 14e]3. Data Sufficiency Principles - this is a very helpful section as DS resources are few and in between [6, 9e]4. Data Sufficiency Strategy & Tactics [16g, 15e]5. Pattern Questions (these are progressions/etc)[8g, 15e]6. Common Terms & Quadratic Templates [5g, 28e]7. Visul Solutions (Geometry, Statistics, Tables, Charts, etc) [14g, 10e]8. Hybrid Problems [4g, 10e]9.

I'll preface this by saying that unlike some of the reviewers, I'm not a GMAT expert. I spent about 3 months studying for the GMAT, all through independent study. I would describe myself as having been a very good math student in high school and early college, but I'm not a real "math person," and quant doesn't come naturally to me.I started studying with the basic Kaplan book, the Official

Guide quant book, and some online resources (Platinum GMAT, etc.) After about 2 and a half months of studying, I was doing okay, but quant still scared me. I saw quant problems in three categories: Problems I knew how to do, problems I almost knew how to do, and problems that were terrifying. Being relatively math-literate, I found that most problems fell into the first two categories, but I was still getting tripped up on that third category.Like one reviewer said, yes, this book is way harder than the actual GMAT, and if you're only concerned about learning to solve consistently the 95% of questions that aren't terrifying, this book is not for you. What I will say is that two weeks using this book took me from feeling scared about the GMAT to feeling like I could probably handle anything it threw at me, because I had already looked into the depths of the worst problems, and I had learned how to solve them.Using mostly this book, I went from approximately a 61st - 68th percentile in quant (Kaplan practice tests) to a 78th percentile (48) on the real thing. I probably could have scored better if I'd paced myself differently--amazingly, after failing to finish the last question on every practice test, I ended up having 8 minutes to spare on test day! While it wasn't a perfect quant score, it was enough to get me to a 770 overall (yes, I'm a verbal person).

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