ALL-IN ACE

Your answers: More confident in Quantitative, more than 10 hours per week, 3 months or more

You'll need to be: Thorough, Purposeful, and Dedicated

By getting an early start on your GRE preparation, you're taking a **thorough** approach, so no section, subject, or question type is out of reach for you. With such an ample timeline between now and test day, you'll need to guard against complacency, and this study plan will keep you **dedicated** to making each week a **purposeful** step toward GRE mastery. Start practicing now so that, by test day, you'll be indomitable.

How to Use Your Study Plan: The study plan below is based on your results. Each week, the Recommended items cover the strategies and content that will help you earn the most possible points on the GRE, so be sure to prioritize those items. To make your prep as efficient as possible, choose Optional items that best fit your study needs and schedule. If you fall behind or don't have at least 12 full weeks to study, be sure to prioritize the Recommended items. Happy prepping!



<u>WEEKS 1–2</u> Format of the GRE

Knowing what to expect on each section of the GRE will give you confidence on test day—and throughout your prep. You'll know exactly what the GRE will ask you to do with the skills you are learning. Take a diagnostic practice test these weeks; take the time to carefully review your results to get an idea of where you stand on each section of the test. This is also a good time to register for the GRE, if you haven't already done so, at *ets.org/gre*.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Become comfortable with the structure of each section of the GRE
- Learn how to grow your vocabulary for the Verbal sections of the GRE
- Take a diagnostic practice test

Week 1

Overall Study	Verbal	Quant
 Recommended: GRE Mini Tests: Quant and Verbal (online) Video: How the GRE Works (online) Chapter 1: Introduction to the GRE Chapter 2: Multi-Stage Test Mechanics Explore the test maker's website and register for the GRE at <i>ets.org/gre</i> Get in the habit of trying the Question of the Day (online) every day until Test Day 	 Recommended: Chapter 3: Introduction to Verbal Reasoning Chapter 4: Verbal Foundations and Content Review Optional: Vocab: Use one or more strategies in Chapter 4 to learn 10 new words 	Recommended: Chapter 9: Introduction to Quantitative Reasoning



Overall Study	Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 Recommended: Practice Test 1 (Diagnostic) (online) Review Practice Test 1 	Recommended: Vocab: Learn 10 new words	Optional: Chapter 10: Math Foundations— Arithmetic and Number Properties Review*	Recommended: Chapter 20: Introduction to Analytical Writing



<u>WEEKS 3–7</u>

Question Types and Focused Content Review

Now that you're familiar with the overall structure of the GRE, it's time to dig into learning expert strategies for each question type. You'll also have the opportunity to review the concepts that will appear on the Quantitative and Analytical Writing sections of the GRE.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Learn the Kaplan Methods and strategies for each Verbal and Quant question type
- Master the foundations of strategic reading to boost your skills in Reading Comprehension
- Review the math and writing concepts that are tested on the GRE
- Learn strategies for both essay types



Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 <u>Recommended:</u> Chapter 5: Text Completion Video: Strategy for Text Completion (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 Recommended: Chapter 16: Quantitative Comparison Video: Strategy for Quantitative Comparison (online) Qbank: Create, complete, and review an untimed 10-question quiz of Quantitative Comparison questions 	Recommended: Chapter 21: Analytical Writing Foundations and Content Review
Optional: Guided Practice: Text Completion Basics (online)	 Optional: Chapter 11: Math Foundations— Ratios and Math Formulas Review* Guided Practice: Quantitative Comparison Intermediate (online) Practice: 8 Quantitative Comparison Questions (online) 	



Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing	
 Recommended: Practice: 12 Text Completion Questions (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 Recommended: Chapter 17: Problem Solving Video: Strategy for Problem Solving (online) Qbank: Create, complete, and review an untimed 10-question quiz of Problem Solving questions 	Recommended:	
 Optional: Guided Practice: Text Completion Challenge (online) Practice: 12 More Text Completion Questions (online) 	 Optional: Chapter 12: Math Foundations— Algebra Review* Guided Practice: Problem Solving Intermediate (online) Practice: 9 Problem Solving Questions (online) 		

Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 <u>Recommended:</u> Chapter 7: Reading Comprehension Video: Strategy for Reading Comprehension (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 <u>Recommended:</u> Chapter 18: Data Interpretation Video: Strategy for Data Interpretation (online) 	Recommended: Chapter 23: The Argument Essay
 Optional: Guided Practice: Reading Comprehension: Strategic Reading (online) Qbank: Create, complete, and review an untimed 10-question quiz of Text Completion questions 	 Optional: Chapter 13: Math Foundations— Statistics Review* Practice: 6 Data Interpretation Questions (online) Guided Practice: Quantitative Comparison Challenge (online) 	



Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 Recommended: Practice: 10 Reading Comprehension Questions (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 Recommended: QBank: Create, complete, and review timed 10-question Quant quizzes Catch up on previous recommendations if needed 	Recommended: Chapter 24: Analytical Writing Practice Set 1
 Optional: Guided Practice: Reading Comprehension Basics (online) Online Practice: 10 More Reading Comprehension Questions (online) 	 Optional: Chapter 14: Math Foundations— Counting Methods and Probability Review* Guided Practice: Problem Solving Challenge (online) 	



Overall Study	Verbal	Quant
	 <u>Recommended:</u> Chapter 6: Sentence Equivalence Video: Strategy for Sentence Equivalence (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 <u>Recommended:</u> QBank: Create, complete, and review timed 10-question Quant quizzes Catch up on previous recommendations if needed
 Optional: Chapter 27: Take Control of the Test If you'll have more than 12 weeks or just want more resources, check out what's available in More Free Prep (online) 	 Optional: Guided Practice: Sentence Equivalence Basics (online) Guided Practice: Reading Comprehension Challenge (online) Qbank: Create, complete, and review an untimed 10-question quiz of Reading Comp questions 	Optional: Chapter 15: Math Foundations— Geometry Review*

*Every Math Foundations chapter reviews numerous math topics and ends with a practice set. Look lightly over the math topics and try the practice set questions; review in more depth those topics where you have the most opportunity for improvement.

WEEK 8 Practice Test

You've worked hard and learned a lot over the previous weeks! Now, put that study to work on some authentic practice. Taking a practice test under test-like conditions is the best way to solidify what you've learned and to practice test-taking strategies. Plus, your results will help you make a plan for your remaining weeks until test day.

Tips for Taking Practice Tests:

Make the practice test count! Time yourself and try to make the practice test experience as much like the real thing as possible. Set aside several hours and find a place where you'll have no interruptions or distractions. Practice using the Kaplan Methods on every question—even if doing so takes more time now, practicing will improve your speed so the Methods are second nature on the real test day.

After finishing the practice test, it is vital that you *review your results*. Dig into each question—think not only about why you got a question correct or incorrect but also about whether you approached the question strategically. For each question, ask: What can I learn about this type of question? After reviewing, use your test results to help you plan what to study until test day.

During this week, you'll:

- Take a practice test
- Review the practice test



Overall Study	Verbal	Quant
Recommended: Practice Test 2 (online) Review Practice Test 2	 <u>Recommended:</u> Practice: 8 Sentence Equivalence Questions (online) Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	
	 Optional: Guided Practice: Sentence Equivalence Challenge (online) Qbank: Create, complete, and review an untimed 10-question quiz of Sentence Equivalence questions 	 Optional: Practice: 8 More Quantitative Comparison Questions (online) Practice: 9 More Problem Solving Questions (online)



WEEKS 9–10 Focused Practice and Review

Congratulations! Here's the payoff for the time you spent taking and reviewing your practice test in Week 8. Use those results to choose chapters and online content to review. Focus your practice by completing (and thoughtfully reviewing) the recommended practice sets and create Qbank quizzes based on your individual study needs. You now know all the strategies and Kaplan Methods—it's time to solidify your skills by persistent practice.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Study your areas of opportunity as identified by your practice test results
- Practice, practice, practice questions of each type to continue solidifying your test-taking skills and content knowledge

Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 <u>Recommended:</u> Review chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 8: Verbal Reasoning Practice Set 1 Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 <u>Recommended:</u> Review chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 19: Quantitative Reasoning Practice Set 1 	Recommended: Chapter 24: Analytical Writing Practice Set 2
Optional: Qbank: Create, complete, and review a timed 10-question quiz of Verbal questions		



Overall Study	Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
Recommended: Chapter 27: Take Control of the Test (review if you read this in week 7)	 Recommended: Review chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 8: Verbal Reasoning Practice Set 2 Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 Review chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 19: Quantitative Reasoning Practice Set 2 	
	Optional: Qbank: Create, complete, and review timed 10-question Verbal quizzes	Optional: Qbank: Create, complete, and review timed 10-question Quant quizzes	Optional: Practice: Analytical Writing Practice Set 1 (online)



WEEKS 11–12 Final Practice Test and Strengths Focus

You've worked so hard! A few weeks left, but you are well situated for success. Now things get kind of fun: take those topics you're awesome at and get more awesome at them before test day! Celebrate your successes and use this opportunity to get even better. You'll also take one last practice test about a week before your test date. As usual, take the time to dig into your results. Finally, do some light practice leading up to the big day.

During these weeks, you'll:

- Focus on your strongest topics to build confidence for test day
- Take a practice test, about a week before your scheduled test day
- Do light practice until test day

Week 11

Overall Study	Verbal	Quant
Recommended: Practice Test 3 (online) Review Practice Test 3	 <u>Recommended:</u> Review chapter(s) based on practice test results Vocab: Learn 10 new words 	 <u>Recommended:</u> Review chapter(s) based on practice test results



Overall Study	Verbal	Quant	Analytical Writing
 Recommended: If possible, visit and get familiar with your test center before test day. 	 Recommended: Review strengths chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 8: Verbal Reasoning Practice Set 3 	 Recommended: Review strengths chapter(s) based on practice test results Chapter 19: Quant Reasoning Practice Set 3 	 <u>Recommended:</u> Review chapter(s) based on practice test results
	Optional: Qbank: Review the quizzes you completed earlier in your practice	Optional: Qbank: Review the quizzes you completed earlier in your practice	Optional: Practice: Analytical Writing Practice Set 2 (online)

Congratulations! You've put in the **purposeful**, **dedicated** effort to complete your **thorough** review of the GRE, following the way of the **All-in Ace**. Feel confident in your expert preparation!

