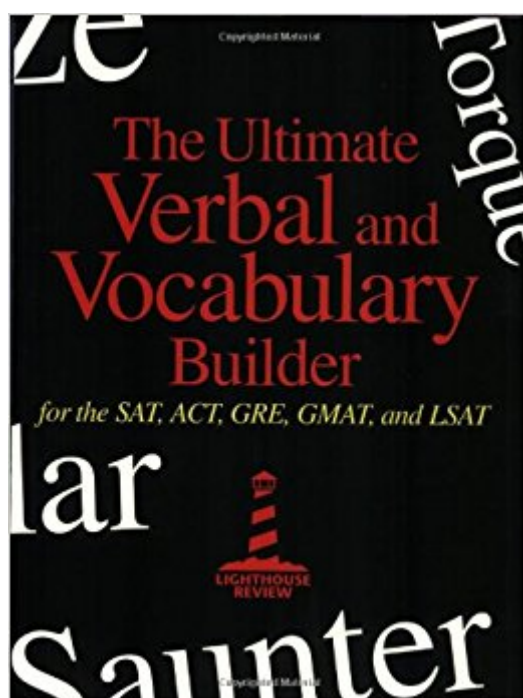


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Ultimate Verbal And Vocabulary Builder For SAT, ACT, GRE, GMAT, And LSAT



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Standardized tests require extensive verbal and vocabulary skills. Questions are often answered incorrectly simply because the test-taker does not know the meaning of key words used in the question. This book provides a comprehensive verbal and vocabulary builder for the SAT, ACT, GRE, GMAT, and LSAT. Includes over 1,700 words commonly seen on these tests together with methods and tools designed to teach the meaning of words in context. Also includes 16 carefully designed exercises and 16 practice sets. These exercises and practice sets clearly and concisely increase vocabulary skills without the use of rote memorization. Book uses self reference antonyms, synonyms, and context to impact word meanings in a user-friendly, easy to learn manner.

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Customer Reviews

I found the book to be very helpful because it taught me words that I later saw on the SAT... --

Denise Williams

The workbook was designed by graduates from University of Texas at Austin.

I was immediately disappointed when I opened this book. Each page has 4 or fewer vocabulary words on it. The publisher could have used some of the empty space to put pronunciations of the words. Sure, just the word and definition is all that's needed to learn the word for a test, but I can't incorporate the word into my general vocabulary if I'm unsure how to pronounce it. Also, some of the

words have other uncommon words in the definition. Not putting the definition in simple English makes it difficult to get a grasp on the meaning. On the opposite token, I would expect there to be many words that I recognize in the book. That is unavoidable. Yet some of the words are so commonplace I cannot imagine anyone about to take one of these tests that wouldn't know their general meaning. Some examples are the words "stereotype," "component," "dimension" and "renegade." These are just a few of dozens.

it has examples and tests every chapter. very good

this was great

a good way to kick start your vocabulary.

This book was amazing! It is very simple and very straight-forward with the sole purpose of helping you improve your vocabulary...and it works. I got through the book in 8 days, completing two chapters a day. It took me approximately two or three hours of work per day to work with this book. It gives you the tools to really understand a word and remember it. Don't try to save time by not looking up the words and not finding antonyms and synonyms for the words. It will not work. You have to get down to the nitty-gritty and then you will see results. Words that would not stick, I wrote down on flashcards and reviewed them along with the 300 word list from Barron's Passkey to the GRE book. Say the words out loud, repeatedly do the exercises at the end of each chapter and it will pay off on the GRE exam. I promise! By the way, it is a one-time use book....you will scribble on every page and no one else will be able to use it, but that is what it is....a work book. Buy it!

The book takes a different approach on vocabulary building. Unlike the other test preparation books I have seen, this book does not present you with list of words to memorize. The best feature of this book is that it makes you work on each new word. I agree with the authors on the fact that this is an effective approach. However, the words listed in this book are not quite the standard of GRE/GMAT. This book would be helpful to those who might be writing the SATs or are just beginning their GMAT/GRE preparation with a very limited vocabulary. I don't regret buying this book at all, since it isn't very expensive and also I can use the "strategy" of this book with more complex words.

The words are very basic even for the SAT. Words included are things like "sever" and "enhance". I am studying for the GRE and am finding the Barron's GRE prep book much better for the vocabulary work. The technique of giving a brief description and sample sentence is good but can be found in other places as well. The other good point is the words are not in alphabetical order so you don't end up just learning words that start with "A" but never get to "V".

I found this book pretty useless. All it is is a series of 16 multiple choice tests in which you choose the answer that most closely approximates the word given. Sample question: amorphous means a) shapeless b) passionate c) property transfer d) vase-like e) parallel. Each test is preceded by very short definitions of the words plus each one used in a context sentence. It would be okay, I guess, as a superficial refresher, but I didn't find it challenging, and there was no discussion of strategy for the GMAT verbal/vocab section, which is more what I was hoping for.

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