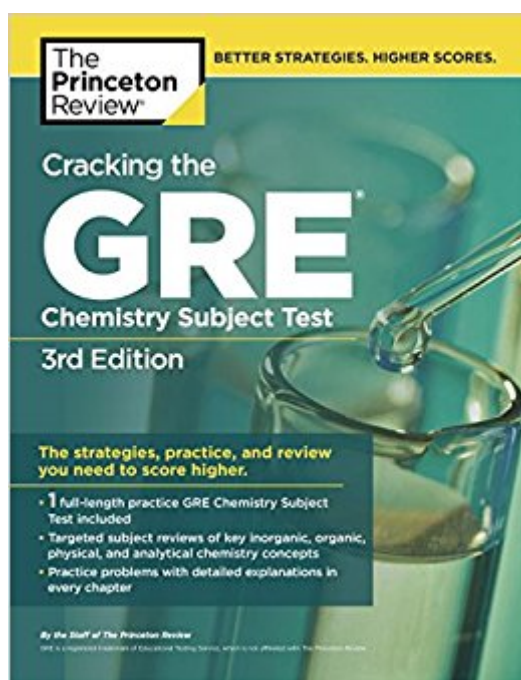


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In my opinion, it's the best you can hope for while preparing for the Chemistry GRE. It's a pretty comprehensive study guide that can expose holes in your game. But I'm definitely not going to rely solely on this.

This was the worst review book I have ever seen. First of all, many of the practice problems in the pchem section require a calculator (which you are not allowed on the GRE), second the solutions to the practice problems were very brief and simply restated the answer instead of explaining it, third there are many mistakes in both the material and the problems (even on the practice test). The further along in the book you get, the more mistakes you find. It seems as if Princeton Review had a grad student pull an all nighter to write this book and never bothered to edit it.

This book is peppered with typos and errors (I have found 10-15 in the 50 pages I've read so far) -- would only recommend for someone looking for a very cursory review

This book was of very little help. Do not use this to help prepare for the chemistry GRE. You are better off buying individual review books. There is too much pointless information and not enough detail on important topics. The amount of typos is outstanding! Don't do what I did. I read the reviews and asked myself "how bad could it possibly be?". MUCH worse than I expected even after I had been warned by the other reviewers. This book is a waste of money.

I just took the GRE Chemistry with less than a month to prepare but this book really sums it up well and reminded me of things that I've learnt but forgot. All in all, this book probably saved me a couple of points!

This test-prep text provided a reasonable overview of organic chemistry but was useless for all other topics of chemistry. I'd achieved a high percentile on the chemistry GRE exam in the fall of 2008, but I can give no due credit to this print. Do not waste your time here..

Entirely agree with the above reviewers about the poor job this book does. Did not prep me well -- there is so much that this book is lacking. Only mediocre section is O-Chem. Don't waste your time with this book -- it will misguide you. Study old lecture notes and exams.

This book packs most of the topics on the subject test into ~300 pages. While it is not as detailed as four separate text books for organic, inorganic, physical and analytical chemistry, it serves as an excellent summary and brief review, especially for people like me who is only willing to spend 2 weeks at most to prepare for the test and don't want to go back to the notes I took years ago. The only problem I have with the book is the way they count electrons for organometallic complexes. They treat all metals as neutral unless there is an overall +/- charge and ligands such as Cl or Cp as neutral. This is very wrong. Cl<sup>-</sup> and Cp<sup>-</sup> are anionic ligands and donate 2 and 6 electrons respectively, not 1 and 5 as listed in the book. Their way won't affect the final electron counting result, but is still very misleading. There are quite a few typos but these are obvious and minor.

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