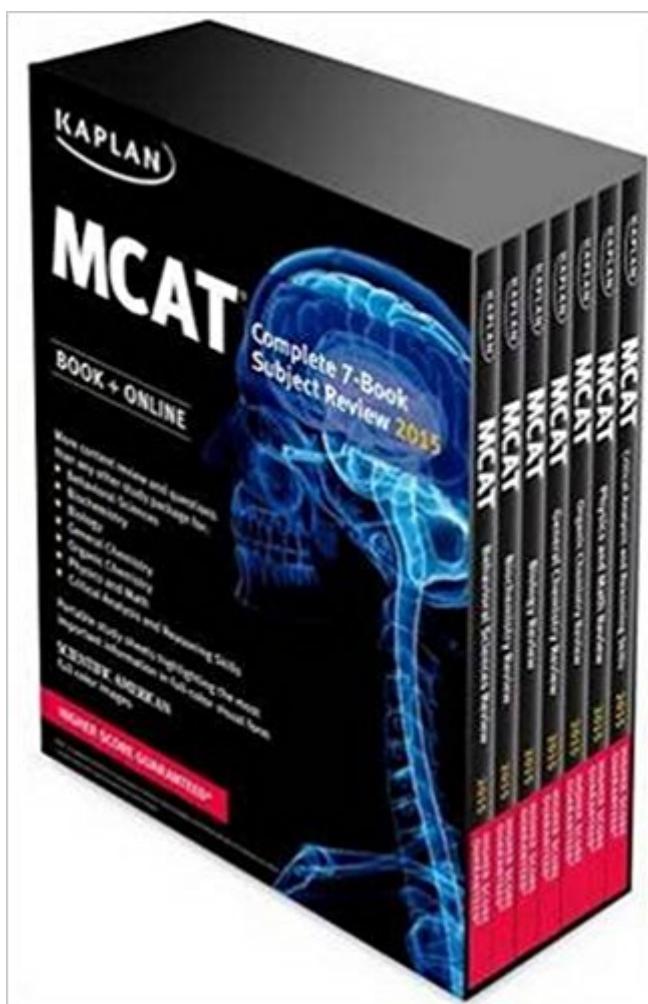


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## Customer Reviews

I took the first administration of the new MCAT on April 17th, 2015. To prepare I read all 7 of the Kaplan books, supplemented with Khan Academy, and I felt very prepared for the exam. Yes, there were some concepts in the Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behavior section that I felt Kaplan did not cover. However to be honest, these concepts were also not explicitly mentioned on the AAMC outline. **PROS:**-They connect all the concepts and give tips, examples, mnemonics, and connections throughout all the books. There is quite a bit of reading to get through the books, but hey, the entire MCAT is testing your reading comprehension so you may as well get good at it. Connecting all these concepts really helped me see the bigger picture of what this test is about.-Emphasis on key topics that were tested on and repetition of these concepts again and again and again.-Simplified explanations (read below for Exam Kracker comparison): When you get a question wrong, it's nice to not only know the right answer but to also know why the answer you chose is wrong. Kaplan's explanations help you identify your weaker areas and it also teaches you how to strategize. For a majority of the questions encountered on the MCAT, you'll need to identify the "most correct" answer from other answers that are also correct. This is not only knowledge-driven but strategy-driven as well. If you don't understand why you're missing questions, then you won't be able to improve your score. Kaplan has the best and most simplified explanations and I think this was the biggest contributor in my practice test score improvements.

100% Recommend this set if you intend on spending the time to study properly. Unlike Princeton Review, you're getting a much more concise product that focuses on what you need to know. Little side panels with MCAT Expertise, Mnemonics, and Real Life ties in are great in case you're having a tough time understanding the section in question. They also do a really good job of tying things together; they make it a point to tell you "well, your studies of Biochem are not isolated. You'll see mention of this concept in Organic Chemistry chapter 8 because it is very important across the

board." Stuff like that. There are also some interesting ways that they introduce a chapter and relate it to you- I've even cracked up a few times at their scienc-y jokes. I just spent the past 8 months with these books. I read them all the way through (except Verbal), highlighting/underlining things I found important. Then I went through them all the way again, taking scrupulous notes on all the important stuff that I had highlighted, or that the MCAT Expertise portions had brought up. Then I went through each practice passage at the end of the chapters, and I made sure I knew why every answer was what it was. The questions at the end of each chapter cover at least a portion of each topic from the preceding chapter, so if you're clueless, you can go back and study up, and then realize what they're asking about. The practice problems were pretty easy, they just made sure you were aware of what to know. The practice tests that come with the package, on the other hand, were usually very difficult. With them, it wasn't enough to just know the material- you had to be able to catch the curve balls they would throw. Lots of tricks.

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