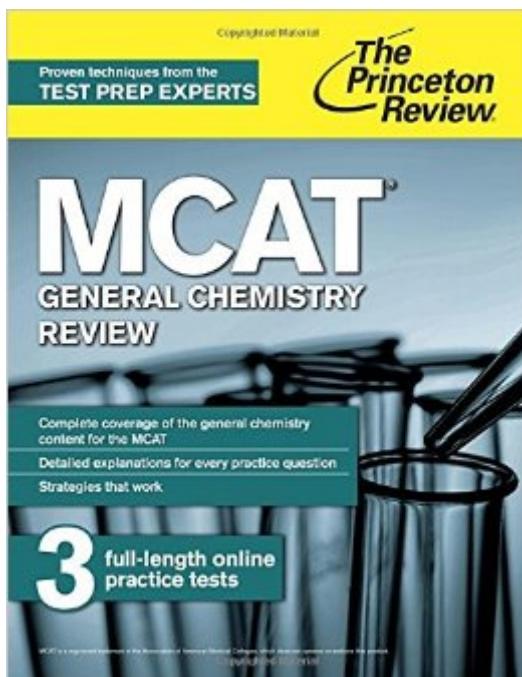


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# MCAT General Chemistry Review: New For MCAT 2015 (Graduate School Test Preparation)



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NEW FOR MCAT 2015! Get everything you need to ace the General Chemistry material on the updated MCAT exam. The MCAT is being entirely overhauled in 2015 and students planning on taking the test after January 2015 will need to prepare for a longer, tougher exam. The Princeton Review's MCAT GENERAL CHEMISTRY REVIEW is designed specifically for those test-takers. It features:

**Everything You Need to Know For a High Score:**

- Access to our online Student Tools portal for up-to-the-moment information on late-breaking AAMC changes to the exam
- In-depth coverage of the challenging general chemistry topics on this important exam
- Bulleted chapter summaries for quick review
- Full-color illustrations, diagrams, and tables
- An extensive glossary for handy reference
- Strategic guidance and effective test-taking techniques

**More Practice Than Ever:**

- 3 full-length practice tests online
- End-of-chapter practice questions
- MCAT-style practice passages
- Detailed answer explanations for every practice question

In MCAT GENERAL CHEMISTRY REVIEW, you'll gain mastery of topics like:

- MCAT 2015 Basics
- Chemistry Fundamentals
- Atomic Structure and Periodic Trends
- Bonding and Intermolecular Forces
- Thermodynamics
- Phases
- Gases
- Kinetics
- Equilibrium
- Acids and Bases
- Electrochemistry
- MCAT Math for General Chemistry
- And more!

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I am a nursing student who is taking pre-med classes as well so I was looking for the most efficient book to help me learn as I do not have extra time to waste. I started out with Kaplin because they have been in the business so long and after being frustrated after just a few chapters with typos and some terrible explanations of simple concepts I figured I would try the Princeton review. The Princeton review is far superior. For example Kaplin starts out with a general introduction about the MCAT and explains that most of the questions are passage based but there are a few free standing questions. The Princeton review states that 39 of the 52 questions in the science sections are passage based while the remaining 13 are free standing questions and explains that all of the verbal reasoning questions are passage based. It then goes on to say that most students increase their verbal reasoning score by only answering 6 of the 7 passage based questions so they have more time to focus and get a high number of questions right and blindly guess on the last passage, for me this makes sense and is very valuable insight. I don't have time to relate all of the major differences but I hope you get the idea. Kaplins explanations of the answer to their end of chapter questions are crap and after hours on the internet and in your chemistry book you will find out that some of them are wrong! I haven't tried exam crackers and don't plan too because I'm very satisfied with this book. Some complain the Princeton review goes into to much depth but it has the same number of chapters as Kaplin and about the same number of pages and if anything I would rather be over prepared than under prepared. So if you trying to decide between the Princeton review and Kaplin the answer is the Princeton review you will thank me later.

I am taking the DATs and I am using this book. It is a great, easy to follow and cheap way to re-learn GChem if you haven't touched it in years. I highly recommend this book to anyone taking a standardized test involving GChem, not just MCAT students.

In studying for the MCAT, general chemistry was consistently my weakest area. This book meticulously lays out concepts that I was struggling with (Redox reactions and electrochemistry using comprehensible analogies, and provides sufficient in-text examples and questions to make sure that you review and understand the content as you learn it. In short: I highly recommend this book, but be sure to supplement with material from other sources and PLENTY of practice tests and questions.

I plan on taking the new mcat in April. i bought this book to study for the new mcat chemistry. I knew that the content wouldn't be much different coz its basic chemistry, but i was expecting more

practice passage based questions in this book. This book doesn't contain 3 full length passages as advertised on the book cover. at the end of each chapter, they provide 7 freestanding questions and 1 passage with 7 questions. Thats it. no full length practice. Very disappointed.

I took Chemistry in college but when studying for the MCAT I realized I had forgotten some Chemistry so this book is great for people who need a refresher course!

Unless you have a good 1st year background in chem, don't use this book... it leaves a lot out; it's good for a review though, better than the EK chemistry; but don't take it's information for granted. For example, princeton defines real volume as being smaller than ideal volume in the  $PV=nRT$  equation. This hinges on a definition of what real volume is (i.e. are you looking @ space available w/o molecules, or total space occupied by molecules). Stuff like that is not explained, and it's sad to see what could be the best book be held back by problems such as these.

This book was horrible. There were two questions that I knew I answered correctly but were listed as incorrect. I checked with my professor and he, as well as google, informed me that my answer was correct. The solutions to the end of the chapter questions were not as detailed as they could have been. This book requires you to have previous knowledge of chemistry. It gives an overview of each sub subject then asks you in depth questions that require knowledge that was not covered in the chapter. If you have just taken chemistry or are a chemistry major this is the perfect touch up book for you. If not I would advise you review other books....or read this one then send it back.

This book covered the basics well. It was short and easy to read with a reasonable amount of examples. I preferred this book to the EK chemistry book.

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