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# Praxis I PPST (Pre-Professional Skills Test) W/CD (PRAXIS Teacher Certification Test Prep)



## Synopsis

REA's PRAXIS PPST Test Prep with 5 Practice Tests on CD Gets Teachers Certified and in the Classroom! Updated 7th Edition Nationwide, more than 5 million teachers will be needed over the next decade, and all must take appropriate tests to be licensed. REA gets you ready for your teaching career with our outstanding library of Teacher Certification test preps! Scoring well on the PRAXIS PPST (Pre-Professional Skills Test) doesn't just help you get certified to teach, it helps move your career forward. REA's updated edition of our bestselling PRAXIS PPST with TestWare test prep shows you how to score high and get certified! Completely up-to-date and fully aligned with the latest paper-based and computer-based test specifications, our in-depth review chapters cover all the material tested on the three Pre-Professional Skills Assessments: Reading Comprehension, Mathematics, and Writing. Drills and practice exercises in each chapter reinforce what you've learned as you study. Four full-length, multiple-choice practice tests in the book help you test your knowledge and focus on areas in need of improvement. Each practice test is balanced to include every type of question, subject area, and skill tested on the actual exam. Our practice tests replicate the PRAXIS question format, allowing you to assess your skills and gauge your test-readiness. A total of 5 practice exams are featured on our TestWare® CD. The book's 4 exams are included on CD with an additional exam not found in the printed book. Our TestWare® CD offers the most powerful scoring and diagnostic tools available today. Automatic scoring and instant reports help you zero in on the topics and types of questions that give you trouble now, so you'll succeed when it counts! Every practice exam comes with detailed feedback on every question. We don't just say which answers are right; we explain why the other answer choices are wrong so you'll be prepared on test day. Our detailed explanations of answers let you identify strengths and weaknesses while building your skills. This complete test prep package comes with a customized study schedule and REA's test-taking strategies and tips. REA books and software have proven to be the extra support teacher candidates need to pass their challenging tests for licensure. Our comprehensive test preps are teacher-recommended and written by experts in the field.

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## Customer Reviews

I had been dreading the Praxis for weeks, and when I purchased this book I felt I'd be in good hands. The exterior and introduction to it are confidence boosting, but as I come to find out the book was nothing but wasted money, time and effort. I diligently studied using this book for days before my exam (I cram study, and it seems to work best for me), and almost every time I took a practice exam I'd flunk it horribly. I'd go back, review my answers, take notes on what I missed, and attempt another one. Another horrible failure. Having used this to 'study' for the Praxis and having now taken it, the book's problems are 100x more difficult than any I encountered on the Praxis. I ended up feeling horrible at the end of every study exam I took to the point I was scrambling to change my test date less than 24 hours before I was scheduled to take it because I was so certain I was destined for failure based on what this book told me. I passed with flying colors, and I credit NONE of that success to this book. It didn't help me- it only stressed me out more- and as a result my confidence walking into that testing center on test day was in the negatives. Not to mention 99% of the questions types were nowhere to be found on the Praxis. I highly suggest you skip this book and look for something a little more reliable.

great study guide for the preliminary study guide. I especially liked having the practice exams that gave detailed answers to the tests

There are some errors in the book. Go to rea.com to find the listed errors. For example, on page 301 the second exponent should have a 7 instead of a 2. so it should read  $X^2 \times X^7$  and not  $X^2 \times X^2$ . (Detailed answer in the back for this problem shows the correct problem). There are several more mistakes that I've found so far. I talked with the company, and they said they are putting the

corrections on their website for the customers.

This book really helped me to study for my test. I was able to pass my exam. Thank you very much!

**DO NOT BUY THIS PITIFUL GUIDE.** Having just returned from taking this test, I can tell you that you would be better prepared had you dropped the money you paid for this book into the garbage. First, the cover of the book tells you that you are getting "5 confidence building practice exams" on one place and "5 practice tests on CD." Unless I'm stupid, that adds up to 10 practice exams, which is one of the reasons that I bought this book. There were NOT 10 practice exams. There are 5 tests in the book itself and 5 on the CD, but what they DON'T tell you is that the five on the CD are the same as the ones in the book. And trust me, these practice exams are **NOTHING** like the real tests. The reading portions are too long and have too many questions - at most on the real thing you'll get a much shorter passage with a maximum number of 3-4 questions. Don't get me started on the math test, it looked **NOTHING** like these sample tests. As for the reading review, studying hundreds of vocabulary words is not going to help you on the reading comprehension exam. Doing 54 (yes, I counted) pages of vocabulary drill is not going to help you. And there are a lot of questions on the practice tests that look nothing like the practice exams. I don't even know where to start on the Math review. The PPST is pretty much geared to show that you have an 8th-9th grade math level - higher grade levels are required for the GRE. But this book has so much garbage in it that's NOT on the test it made my head spin. As another guide said, "if you can do 8th grade math, you can pass." This awful guide went well beyond 8th grade math to the point that I was sure I was going to fail because most of this stuff was so complicated. And again, the practice tests had numerous question types that aren't going to appear on the PPST. After my negative experience with the reading and the math sections, I didn't even bother with the "grammar" section. In fact, the PPST calls this the "Writing Test." If they can't get the name of the test right, you aren't going to be prepare using these materials/This book shares the same flaw as all other guides. The practice tests only give you a raw score with no way to convert it to the scaled score ETS gives you. Knowing that you got 25 questions right on a part of the test doesn't tell you doodley over squat what that converts to in terms of a scaled score. Do yourself a **BIG ENORMOUS FAVOR**. Listen to all these people who have given this product a bad review. Go buy the Kaplan guide (no, I am not a Kaplan rep disguised as someone who thinks this guide is terrible) - the study sections are much better and the practice tests are similar to what you see on the actual test. Then go to ETS and spend the money to buy one of their practice exams for each part. These tests are retired Praxis I

tests and are actually what you see. Additionally, they give you a table that converts the raw score you got on the practice test into a scaled score so that you will know whether you are scoring your state's minimum. If you insist on buying this guide after reading all of the negative reviews, don't bother taking the test. You're too stupid to teach.

I cannot return this absolute waste of paper, because I've written in it. Unlike you, smart person, I didn't consult reviews about any test prep guides before making my purchase, and I've paid the price. I'm just happy to have figured it out a week before my test, and without wasting any more of my precious study time. This book has caused my already overactive anxiety to kick into overdrive. The only thing about it that "boosts your confidence" is perhaps one or two encouraging sentiments in the beginning. Everything else is crap. The practice tests are ridiculous--nothing on them is covered in the drills, and from what others have said, none of it comes close to what is actually on the exam! They over-complicate everything, including the layout of the book. And, oh my goodness, the typos! Some are so horrendous that they actually change the question! For instance, on practice test 1, the question is supposed to be  $X^2$  times  $X^7$  divided by  $X$ . The exam has it written as  $X^2$  times  $X^2$  divided by  $X$ . Tell me, how are you supposed to get the correct answer? And at the start of the writing section, you are told you will need to identify [sic] grammatical errors such as misspellings. Uh, found one! Ordinarily, I would sell a book I no longer need to recoup some money and to let someone else benefit from its knowledge. With this festering turd of a "book", I will likely burn it instead and save someone else the time. Yes, it's that bad.

This book is horrible! countless mistakes, terrible organization and the overall layout was just bad. I ended up using sections from SAT for Dummies because this book was so terrible. If you don't want to waste your time and money DON'T GET THIS BOOK!!!

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