

# 3-Month Study Schedule for the GMAT

If you're starting your GMAT preparation more or less from scratch, and have three months to prepare, this GMAT study guide will help you get organized. The Magoosh 3-month study plan covers the full range of Magoosh lessons on all topics, from the format of the GMAT to advanced concepts. Your GMAT score is one of the most important factors in MBA admissions. Be sure to give yourself sufficient time to study.

You should dedicate 1.5–2.5 hours a day, 5-6 days a week to study over the next three months. Not feeling like 3 months is the right fit for your timeline? Check out Magoosh's [other GMAT study schedule options](#).

This plan contains a tremendous amount of instructional material and hundreds of high quality practice questions! As you follow the schedule, you will be working through a large portion of the questions available to you in the Magoosh product. However, this schedule is not designed for you to complete *all* the questions in the Magoosh GMAT pool. Here's why:

- The schedule already includes enough practice questions for you to be adequately prepared for anything that the GMAT might throw at you on test day.
- There is a finite number of questions available in the product, and we want to be sure that there are enough "new" questions available for full-length practice tests.

But what if you want to do more practice in Magoosh than is assigned each week? That's definitely doable! Just be aware that the fewer "new" questions remaining in the Magoosh pool, the higher the chance of getting a repeat question on a practice test. And if you exhaust the entire Magoosh pool, then only repeat questions will be available even in Custom Practice. The upside though is that working through questions more than once is a highly effective study strategy.

If you follow this schedule to the letter, after you reach the end of 3-months, you will have the option to continue working through the remaining Magoosh questions.

If you're really keen to do extra work, but don't want to exhaust Magoosh practice questions before you reach the end of the schedule, we recommend using the O.G. question bank for practice beyond each week's assignments.

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## Getting Started

### How to Use This 3 Month GMAT Study Plan

Notice, this is a twelve-week plan—but you’ll use it to find out how to study for the GMAT in 3 months. Three calendar months are typically closer to 13 weeks, so if you actually have three calendar months to prepare, that’s great. If you have a wedding or a camping trip or something in the middle, you could just skip a week, and do it later. Alternately, following the plan straight through would leave you more time for review at the end.

Know that you are empowered to rearrange this schedule as best suits your needs. Even though the plan is laid out for you week-by-week, with suggestions for how to break up your days of study. These are just *suggestions!* You can move more work to the weekends to free up some weeknight evenings! You can squeeze everything into a few long days of work during the week! Feel free to rearrange the week’s work in whatever way makes the most sense for you.

Now, you can just dive into this plan! However, you’ll find it more effective if you use it methodically. To get the most out of this GMAT study plan, approach it with as follows:

- Go over your calendar for the next three months and plan exactly which days correspond to which days in the plan. For example, if you’re going on vacation next week, that won’t be Week 2 for you—Week 2 will start when you come back

- Make sure you have all the essential materials.
- Maintain your motivation. Writing down why you want a particular score on the GMAT—and reviewing your reasons often—can be a powerful reminder to keep you going!
- Maintain your physical health. Eat well and get physical activity as much as you can!
- Sleep for eight hours! Get enough sleep during this three month period. REM sleep plays an important role in encoding long term memory!
  - In an eight hour period of sleep, the last hour has the most REM.
- Avoid artificial crutches: Caffeine and energy drinks will keep you feeling awake if you don't get enough sleep, but they don't do much to replace the lost opportunity to encode more information into long term memory.
- Bring it all together for test day! Review Magoosh's tips at the end of this post for how to make sure you do your best when it (officially) counts.

## Essential Study Materials

Here are our recommendations for resources that will provide you with test-like practice:

### [A Premium subscription to Magoosh](#)

[Magoosh's Complete GMAT Guide](#): This comprehensive web-based guide gives you a quick and useful overview. You'll see how the GMAT is designed and scored, what skills it tests, how to find and use the best GMAT prep, and how to study for each test section.

GMAC's *GMAT Official Guide* (OG)–The newest edition of the e-book and online question bank is here: [OG 2023-2024](#). If you are going to buy a new guide, get that one. Want a paper copy? Check out [this link](#).

**Word to the wise: Don't write in the official guide or any prep books.** Do all your work on separate paper or on a computer. You will want to keep the books clean, so that later, if you need to look at a problem again, it is still fresh and unmarked.

The [OG Verbal Review 2023-2024](#), the [OG Quantitative Review 2023-2024](#), and the [OG Data Insights Review 2023-2024](#). These links will take you to the e-book and online question banks available from the [Exam Prep](#) section of mba.com. You cannot go wrong if you use materials produced by the folks who write the exam.

[GMAT's additional official practice exams](#), which are now entirely digital.

The [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#). If you happen to see a deck for plane geometry concepts, remember to skip those since those concepts are no longer tested on the GMAT.

If you've exhausted the OG and Magoosh materials, another credible option is [Manhattan's All the GMAT book set](#). It is an excellent prep source. (Don't write in these books either!)

[An Error Log](#). Not sure what's up with an error log. The link at the beginning of this sentence will walk you through the benefits and provide you with access to a [Free template](#).

**Note:** The GMAT underwent major changes in 2023. So, you might be wondering what to do if you have prep materials that were produced for older versions of the GMAT. Good news! You can absolutely keep and use those older materials; however, there are a few topics and subject areas that you should skip if you do choose to use older materials. Here's what you should leave out:

- Lessons/practice for Sentence Corrections
- Lessons/practice for the Analytical Writing Assessment (AWA)
- Lessons/practice for quantitative questions that test plane geometry concepts
- Lessons/practice that use the Data Sufficiency (DS) question type to test purely algebraic or numeric property concepts. DS questions now all either test verbal reasoning skills or math in a real-world context (aka) word problems based on realistic scenarios.

## Optional Materials

[The Magoosh mobile app for your iPhone or Android](#)

The two online forums:

[GMAT Club](#)

[Beat the GMAT](#)

These are great places to ask questions about anything GMAT related, or simply to check out the discussions and see how others are preparing.

Outside reading material: You may already have a habit of reading. But if you do not, it would be good to make it a regular practice. While you don't need to be an expert in *all* world affairs, it's important for the GMAT to have a general sense of the business world. **If you are a non-native English speaker, it is absolutely crucial that you develop a habit of reading.** For a non-native speaker struggling with the Verbal section, we strongly recommend reading for at least an hour a day every day, an hour over and above any GMAT-specific preparation.

Read the *Wall Street Journal* and/or the business section of respected newspapers such as the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*. Force yourself to read articles discussing topics with which you are unfamiliar. Read periodicals, such as the *Economist* and *Bloomberg Businessweek*; the *Economist* is a particularly sophisticated source and it would be good to read this at least a few times a week.

These business sources are often also a good place to practice reading graphs.

Of course, if you already are in the habit of doing challenging reading on your own, then by all means, continue reading what you want.

## Abbreviations

**OG** = the GMAC Official Guide

**QR** = Quantitative Reasoning, the multiple-choice math questions

**VR** = Verbal Reasoning, which is broken down into the following two question types:

**RC** = Reading Comprehension verbal question

**CR** = Critical Reasoning verbal question

**DI** = Data Insights questions

**DS** = Data Sufficiency, which is a type of **DI** question



# 3 Month GMAT Study schedule

\*Most of the lessons included in this schedule are only available to Magoosh students—[sign up here for a free trial!](#)

## Week One

### Day 1: Diagnostic Test and Review

- Take Magoosh’s [Free GMAT Diagnostic](#). When you are done, note your score, then check your answers.
- If you haven’t done so already, [build your error log](#) and add questions from the diagnostic you just took. You’ll be using your error log throughout this study plan. Today, you are going to do your first in-depth review. For each question you entered into your log do the following:
  - Try to determine and make note of why you missed the question
  - Read any related text explanations and watch any related video explanations
  - Watch any recommended lesson videos (don’t worry about watching them out of order. You’ll likely be watching the videos a few times, especially those that relate to your weaker areas.)
  - Be aware of any trends that help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.

## Day 2: GMAT Basics

Go to [the test-maker's website](#), and read all about the GMAT. Click on each of the Quick Links on the sidebar of that page to explore the exam structure, content, and to check out a few sample questions.

### **In Magoosh, watch the following videos:**

GMAT Focus Introduction: all seven videos in this section

[GMAT Focus Intro: Quantitative Section](#)

[GMAT Focus Intro: Verbal Section](#)

[GMAT Focus Intro: Data Insights Section](#)

[Computer Adaptive Testing](#)

[GMAT Focus Scores](#)

[Pacing, Skipping, and Guessing](#)

[GMAT Focus Intro: Test Day](#)

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning Basics

**NOTE:** You might find some of the content in Magoosh videos super easy or very challenging. Some folks will find the verbal information obvious and the math hard-going; other folks will have the reverse experience. If the material is relatively easy for you, feel free to click to the end and simply read the summary. If the material is new to you, take notes on what you are learning, and if possible, watch that video a second time.

## Watch the following videos:

In Quantitative Reasoning (QR), watch the following General Math Strategies videos and complete any associated practice quizzes:

[Intro to GMAT Math](#)

[Mental Math: GMAT Estimation](#)

[Quiz: Mental Math Estimation](#)

### **Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Mental Math: Dividing by 5](#)

[Mental Math: Doubling and Halving](#)

[Mental Math: Squaring Shortcuts](#)

[Number Sense](#)

[Quiz: Number Sense](#)

### **Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[The use and Abuse of Formulas](#)

**NOTE:** Whenever a video contains sample questions, make sure to pause and complete the questions thoroughly as the videos instruct.

**NOTE II:** After most Magoosh questions is a text and/or video explanation. If you got the question right, just skim the text summary of the video to verify you understand it. If you got the question wrong, watch the video explanation right away. If you don't understand a question after reviewing the text and video explanations, email us at

Magoosh.com. Due to a high volume of questions, please allow up to 48-hours for a response.

Getting questions wrong at the beginning may be frustrating, but remember that you are playing a “longer game”: the point is not instant success at the beginning, but building deeper understanding overtime. Remember to add all incorrect questions to your error log!

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Arithmetic and Fractions and complete any associated practice quizzes:

[Properties of Real Numbers](#)

[Positive and Negative Numbers](#)

[Quiz: Positive and Negative Numbers](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Mental Math: Addition and Subtraction](#)

[Positive and Negative Numbers II](#)

[Order of Operations](#)

[Quiz: Order of Operations](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 5: Verbal Reasoning

In VR, watch the following four videos under Critical Reasoning:

[Intro to Critical Reasoning](#)

[Dissecting an Argument](#)

[Common Argument Types](#)

[General CR Strategy](#)

### **Magoosh Custom Practice:**

- 5 VR Critical Reasoning questions

## Day 6: Review

### **Review**

If you have not done so as you worked through the questions, be sure you review all the practice questions you've attempted this week.

Remember to add any that you missed to your error log, and be sure that for each question you do the following:

- Try to determine and make note of why you missed the question
- Read any related text explanations and watch any related video explanations
- Watch any recommended lesson videos (don't worry about watching them out of order. You'll likely be watching the videos a few times, especially those that relate to your weaker areas.)

- Be aware of any trends that help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.

**In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):**

Review the cards in the Algebra deck. Spend about 5-10 minutes a day each day with these cards.

## 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Two

### Week Two

#### Day 1: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Arithmetic and Fractions and complete any associated practice quizzes:

[Intro to Decimals](#)

[Quiz: Intro to Decimals](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Multiples of 10](#)

[More on Scientific Notation](#)

[Quiz: More on Scientific Notation](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 2: Verbal Reasoning

In Verbal Reasoning (VR), watch the following videos under Reading Comprehension:

[Intro to Reading Comprehension](#)

[Approaching the Passage](#)

[Understanding Structure](#)

[Dissecting the Passage](#)

[Approaching the Questions](#)

[Answer Choice Traps](#)

### **Magoosh Custom Practice:**

- 3 VR reading comprehension passages and associated questions

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following nine videos under Arithmetic and Fractions and complete the associated quizzes:

[Intro to Fractions](#)

[Conversions with Fractions and Decimals](#)

[Fraction Properties I](#)

[Quiz: Fraction Properties I](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Comparing Fractions I](#)

[Operations with Fractions](#)

[Fraction Properties II](#)

[Quiz: Fraction Properties II](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Arithmetic and Fractions and complete the associated quizzes:

[Word Problems with Fractions](#)

[Quiz: Arithmetic and Fractions](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Working with Percents](#)

[Quiz: Working with Percents](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Percent Increases and Decreases](#)

[Quiz: Percent Increases and Decreases](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**



## Day 5: Verbal Reasoning

In VR, watch the following videos under Critical Reasoning:

[Weakening the Argument](#)

[Strengthening the Argument](#)

[Assumption Questions](#)

[Trap Answers](#)

[Conclusion and Inference](#)

## Day 6: Mixed Practice & Review

### **Let's talk about using the GMAT's OG Online Question Bank for practice**

If you've purchased access to the OG's online question bank, you'll also be able to set up custom practice sessions. Although, in its current form, you don't have a ton of options; you can choose the question/section type and level of difficulty etc...

This is what you'll see:

< Back | Customize your Practice Set

### Number of Questions

How many questions do you want to practice?

All remaining questions  
938 questions out of 938 total

Questions answered incorrectly  
0 questions out of 0 taken

Choose number of questions  
1

Choose the type, difficulty, and number of questions

Select All Clear All

<input type="checkbox"/> Question Categories	<input type="checkbox"/> Easy	<input type="checkbox"/> Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Hard
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Data Insights	0 / 0	0 / 0	0 / 0
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Insights : Data Sufficiency	0 / 41	0 / 38	0 / 43
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Insights : Data Sufficiency, Online Exclusive	0 / 1	0 / 7	0 / 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Insights : Multi-Source Reasoning, Online Exclusive	0 / 12	0 / 17	0 / 14
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Insights : Table Analysis, Online Exclusive	0 / 10	0 / 11	0 / 8

Feel free to set up these practice sessions in whatever way is most appropriate for your prep. However, we recommend using OG practice to expose you to a random mix of topics within the different test sections. Doing so is based on the philosophy that you want your practice to prepare you for the random mix of topics that you will experience on test day--you want to get used to that!

By the way, purchasing a paper copy of the OG will still grant you access to the online question bank.

### OG Mixed Practice:

- 5 QR questions
- 5 VR questions
- 10 DI questions

**NOTE:** As soon as you do a batch of OG questions, correct them right away and review any available explanations. If you got the question right, you need only skim the explanation to verify that you got it right for the right reason. If you got the question wrong, read the explanation and take notes in your error log on what concepts or what aspect of the question you need to understand better.

### **Review:**

If you have not done so as you worked through the questions, be sure you review all the practice questions you've attempted this week.

Remember to add any that you missed to your error log. Be sure to note why you missed the question: misread it, careless error, didn't know the content, etc...

### **In Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards:**

Review the cards in the Fraction, Ratios, and Percents deck. Spend about 5-10 minutes a day each day with the cards from this deck and the previous deck (Algebra).

### **As a reminder, be sure to incorporate Outside**

### **Reading:**

Do half an hour of sophisticated reading of your own choosing each day. Keep in mind the recommendations made above. If you are a non-native English speaker who is considerably weaker in Verbal, we strongly suggest reading for an hour each day.

# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Three

## Week Three

### Day 1: Data Insights (DI)

In DI, watch the following videos under Integrated Reasoning:

[General IR Strategies](#)

[The IR Calculator](#)

[Multi-Source Reasoning](#)

[Bradley Metal Works 1](#)

[Bradley Metal Works 2](#)

[Table Analysis](#)

[High School Exams \(Practice\)](#)

**NOTE:** Prior to November 2023, there was no Data Insights section. There was an Integrated Reasoning section that was scored separately from the Quantitative and Verbal sections. So, when you see Integrated Reasoning in this schedule, it is to refer to the old IR question types. All those old Integrated Reasoning questions have been combined with Data Sufficiency questions (which used to be in the Quant section) to form the Data Insights Section. The Data Insight section is on equal footing with Quant and Verbal and counts for  $\frac{1}{3}$  of your total GMAT score.

## Day 2: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following following videos under Arithmetic and Fractions and Percents and Ratios:

[Sequential Percent Changes](#)

[Simple and Compound Interest](#)

[Intro to Ratios](#)

[Combining Ratios](#)

[Ratios and Rates](#)

[Quiz: Ratios and Rates](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Ratios and Percents](#)

[Quiz: Ratios and Percents](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Integer Properties and complete the associated practice quizzes:

[Divisibility](#)

[Divisibility Rules](#)

[Quiz: Divisibility Rules](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Multiples](#)

[Prime Numbers](#)

[Prime Factorization](#)

[Quiz: Prime Factorization](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Integer Properties and complete the associated practice quizzes:

[Counting Factors of Large Numbers](#)

[Squares of Integers](#)

[Quiz: Squares of Integers](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Greatest Common Factor](#)

[Least Common Multiple](#)

[GCD LCM Formula](#)

[Even and Odd Integers](#)

[Testing Cases](#)

[Quiz: Testing Cases](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 5: Verbal Reasoning

In VR, watch the following videos under Reading Comprehension:

[Primary Purpose](#)

[Detail Questions](#)

[Inference Questions](#)

[Miscellaneous RC Tips](#)

[RC Example, Passage 1, Path Dependence](#)

[RC Example, Passage 1, Q1](#)

[RC Example, Passage 1, Q2](#)

[RC Example, Passage 2, Office Organization](#)

[RC Example, Passage 2, Q1](#)

[RC Example, Passage 2, Q2](#)

[Quiz: Reading Comprehension](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

### **Magoosh Custom Practice:**

- 3 VR reading comprehension passages and associated questions

## Day 6: Mixed Practice & Review

### OG Mixed Practice:

- 5 QR questions
- 5 VR questions
- 10 DI questions

### Review:

If you have not done so as you worked through the questions, be sure you review all the practice questions you've attempted this week.

Remember to add any that you missed to your error log. Be sure to note why you missed the question: misread it, careless error, didn't know the content, etc...

### In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):

Review the cards in the Number Properties I deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.



# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Four

## Week Four

### Day 1: Data Insights

In DI, watch the following videos and complete the associated quizzes:

[Fundamentals of Data Sufficiency](#)

[DS Elimination Method](#)

[Avoiding Common DS Mistakes](#)

[Introductory DS Strategies](#)

[Word Problems, summarizing info](#)

[DS with Integer Constraints](#)

[Tautological Statements](#)

[Quiz: Data Sufficiency](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

### Day 2: Verbal Reasoning

In VR, watch the following eight videos under Critical Reasoning

[Bold-faced Questions](#)

[Flawed Argument Questions](#)

[Paradox Questions](#)

[Evaluating the Conclusion](#)

[Miscellaneous CR Tips](#)

[CR Example 1](#)

[CR Example 2](#)

[Quiz: Critical Reasoning](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under the Integer Properties and under the Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities and complete the associated practice quizzes:

[Integer Properties Strategies](#)

[Quiz: Integer Properties Strategies](#)

[Quiz: Integer Properties](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quizzes**

[Simplifying Expressions](#)

[Quiz: Simplifying Expressions](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Multiplying Expressions](#)

[FOIL Method](#)

[Quiz: FOIL Method](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities and complete the associated quizzes:

[Factoring -GCF](#)

[Factoring - Difference of Squares](#)

[Factoring - Quadratics](#)

[Quiz: Factoring Quadratics](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Factoring - Combined](#)

[Advanced Numerical Factoring](#)

[Factoring- Rational Expressions](#)

[Quiz: Factoring- Rational Expressions](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 5-6: Flex Day(s)

**Rest, Review, Practice or Catch-up:** Already you have likely done a lot of work! And because all that work requires time for absorption and review, you might need a flex day. Use this time in whatever capacity best suits where you are in your prep journey. Consider these options:

- If you're feeling pretty good about where you're at (both in the schedule and in your overall progress), take a break! You

deserve one! But, if you are raring to keep going check out the following options for:

- Spend some quality time with your error log. Revisit (maybe redo a few) missed questions and review their associated lessons.
- Do more practice and review in the OG online question bank
- Break out your flashcards and review
- If you are feeling a bit behind schedule, use this as an opportunity to get caught up or closer to caught up.

### **Additional practice option:**

## OG Diagnostic Test

If you don't need both of these flex days to get caught up, navigate to the OG online question bank. Go to Practice Exams on the sidebar. Take all three diagnostic practice exams.

Practice Exam Name	Practice Exam Length	Practice Exam Time	% Correct	Status
Data Insights Review Diagnostic Practice Exam	15 Questions	Unlimited		
Quantitative Review Diagnostic Practice Exam	18 Questions	Unlimited		
Verbal Review Diagnostic Practice Exam	24 Questions	Unlimited		

Go through the answers after you are done, taking notes on anything you got wrong.

# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Five

## Week Five

### Day 1: Data Insights

In DI, watch the following videos:

[Graphics Interpretation](#)

[Types of Graphics](#)

[Venn Diagrams](#)

[Scatterplots](#)

[More on Scatterplots](#)

[Three Companies \(Practice\)](#)

[Numerical Flowchart \(Practice\)](#)

### Day 2: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities and complete the associated quizzes:

[Quadratic Equations](#)

[Quiz: Quadratic Equations](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[System --Number of Solutions](#)

[Three Equations, Three Unknowns](#)

[Quiz: Three Equations, Three Unknowns](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following videos under Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities and complete the associated quizzes:

[Absolute Value Equations](#)

[Function Notation](#)

[Quiz: Function Notation](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Strange Operators](#)

[Quiz: Strange Operators](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Inequalities 1](#)

[Inequalities 2](#)

[Quiz: Inequalities 2](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Absolute Value Inequalities](#)

[Quiz: Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Word Problem videos and complete the associated quizzes:

[Intro to Word Problems](#)

[Assigning Variables](#)

[Quiz: Assigning Variables](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Writing Equations](#)

[Number of Variables](#)

[Quiz: Number of Variables](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 5: Verbal Reasoning

### **Magoosh Custom Practice:**

- 10 VR questions

## Day 6: Mixed Practice & Review

### OG Mixed Practice:

- 10 DI questions

### Review:

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Review the cards in the Number Properties II deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

## 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Six

### Week six

#### Day 1: Data Insights

In DI, watch the following videos:

[Intro to Two-Part Analysis](#)

[Verbal Two-Part Analysis](#)



[Math Two-Part Analysis](#)

[Highway to Hillsborough \(Practice\)](#)

[Algebraic Sequence \(Practice\)](#)

## Day 2: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Word Problem videos and complete the associated quizzes:

[Intro to motion questions](#)

[Average Speed](#)

[Quiz: Average Speed](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Multiple Traveler Questions](#)

[Shrinking and Expanding Gaps](#)

[Work Questions](#)

[Quiz: Work Questions](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Word Problem videos and complete the associated quizzes:

[Intro to sets and venn diagrams](#)

[Double Matrix Method](#)

[Intro to Sequences](#)

[Arithmetic Sequences](#)

[Quiz: Arithmetic Sequences](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Inclusive Counting](#)

[Consecutive Integers](#)

[Quiz: Consecutive Integers](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Flex Day

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## Day 5: Practice Test

### **In Magoosh, take a full-length practice test!**

In your dashboard, navigate to Practice → Practice Test, choose the order in which you want to take the sections, and then start your practice test.

This will be your first experience of sitting for a full formal GMAT. As much as possible, try to mimic the GMAT conditions. Note how your sleep the night before affects your work. Note how what you had for dinner the previous night and what you had to eat earlier that day affects your energy level and concentration. You can review your test immediately after completion or save it for tomorrow since that is the focus of this week's day two.

## Day 6: Practice Test & General Review

Open your error log for a deep-dive review of yesterday's practice test. During this session with your error log, spend time to reflect on your pacing strategy.

As you review your test, determine which question types you are currently struggling with the most in regards to timing. If running out of time is not an issue for you, review your error log to find the questions where you should have spent MORE time. Can you find any patterns? Where do you make careless mistakes? Figure out where you should slow down when testing.

### **Review:**

If you have not done so as you worked through the questions, be sure you review all the practice questions you've attempted this week.

Remember to add any that you missed to your error log. Be sure to note why you missed the question: misread it, careless error, didn't know the content, etc...

### **In Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards:**

Review the cards in the Statistics & Probability deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Seven

## Week Seven

### Day 1: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Word Problem videos and complete all quizzes:

[Backsolving](#)

[Quiz: Backsolving](#)

#### **Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Intro to VICs](#)

[VICs- Algebraic Approach](#)

[VICs- Picking Numbers](#)

[Quiz: VICs-Picking Numbers](#)

[Quiz: Word Problems](#)

#### **Error Log Review of the above Quizzes**

## Day 2: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Problem and Roots videos and complete all quizzes:

[Intro to Exponents](#)

[Laws of Exponents 1](#)

[Negative Exponents](#)

[Laws of Exponents 2](#)

[Quiz: Laws of Exponents 2](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Square Roots](#)

[Other Roots](#)

[Properties of Roots](#)

[Quiz: Properties of Roots](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Problem and Roots videos and complete all quizzes:

[Simplifying Roots](#)

[Operations with Roots](#)

[Equations with Square Roots](#)

[Quiz: Equations with Square Roots](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Rationalizing](#)

[Working with Formulas](#)

[Quiz: Working with Formulas](#)

[Quiz: Powers and Roots](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quizzes**

## Day 4: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Statistics videos and complete all quizzes:

[Mean, Median, and Mode](#)

[More on Mean and Median](#)

[Weighted Averages 1](#)

[Weighted Averages 2](#)

[Quiz: Weighted Averages 2](#)

### **Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 5: Continue Working on the Above

There were quite a few Quantitative Reasoning quizzes this week. Devote whatever time you have left in your study week to completing all those lessons and lesson quizzes.

## Day 6: Mixed Practice & Review

### **OG Mixed Practice:**

- 10 DI questions
- 10 VR questions

### **Review**

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice.

### **In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):**

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice I deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.



# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Eight

## Week Eight

### Day 1: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Statistics and Counting videos and complete all quizzes:

[Range and Standard Deviation](#)

[The Normal Distribution](#)

[Quiz: The Normal Distribution](#)

[Quiz: Statistics](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quizzes**

[Introduction to Counting](#)

[Fundamental Counting Principle](#)

[Quiz: Fundamental Counting Principle](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

### Day 2: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Counting videos and complete all quizzes:

[FCP with Restrictions](#)

[Factorial Notation](#)

[Quiz: Factorial Notation](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Counting what you don't want](#)

[Counting Identical items](#)

[Quiz: Counting with identical items](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Eliminating Repetition](#)

[Quiz: Eliminating Repetition](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Counting videos and complete all quizzes:

[Combinations](#)

[Quiz: Combinations](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Calculating combinations](#)

[Permutations and combinations](#)

[Quiz: Permutations and combinations](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Quiz: Counting](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Continue Working on the Above

Again, there were quite a few Quantitative Reasoning lessons/quizzes this week. Devote today to completing all those.

## Day 5: Practice Test

### **In Magoosh, take a full-length practice test!**

In your dashboard, navigate to Practice → Practice Test, choose the order in which you want to take the sections, and then start your practice test.

This will be your first experience of sitting for a full formal GMAT. As much as possible, try to mimic the GMAT conditions. Note how your sleep the night before affects your work. Note how what you had for dinner the previous night and what you had to eat earlier that day affects your energy level and concentration. You can review your test immediately after completion or save it for tomorrow since that is the focus of this week's day two.

## Day 6: Practice Test & General Review

Open your error log for a deep-dive review of yesterday's practice test. During this session with your error log, spend time to reflect on your pacing strategy.

As you review your test, determine which question types you are currently struggling with the most in regards to timing. If running out of time is not an issue for you, review your error log to find the

questions where you should have spent MORE time. Can you find any patterns? Where do you make careless mistakes? Figure out where you should slow down when testing.

## Review

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice.

### In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice II deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Nine

## Week Nine

### Day 1: Flex Day

**Rest, Review, Practice or Catch-up:** Already you have likely done a lot of work! And because all that work requires time for absorption and review, you might need a flex day. Use this time in whatever capacity best suits where you are in your prep journey. Consider these options:

- If you're feeling pretty good about where you're at (both in the schedule and in your overall progress), take a break! You deserve one! But, if you are raring to keep going check out the following options for:

- Spend some quality time with your error log. Revisit (maybe redo a few) missed questions and review their associated lessons.
- Do more practice and review in the OG online question bank
- Break out your flashcards and review
- If you are feeling a bit behind schedule, use this as an opportunity to get caught up or closer to caught up.

## Day 2: Verbal Reasoning

### **Magoosh Custom Practice:**

- 10 VR questions

## Day 3: Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Probability videos and complete all quizzes:

[Intro to probability](#)

[Complementary event and simple rules](#)

[Quiz: Complementary event and simple rules](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Mutually exclusive events](#)

[Quiz: Mutually exclusive events](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Probability of Event A or B](#)

[Examples of the Or rule](#)

[Independent Events](#)

[Examples of the And Rule](#)

[Generalized And Rule](#)

[Examples of generalized And rule](#)

[Quiz: Examples of generalized And rule](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Binomial Situation](#)

[Quiz: Binomial Situation](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

## Day 4: Finish Quantitative Reasoning

In QR, watch the following Probability videos and complete all quizzes:

[The "At least" Scenario](#)

[Analyzing Questions](#)

[Quiz: Analyzing Questions](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Using Counting Techniques](#)

[Quiz: Using Counting Techniques](#)

**Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

[Listing vs. Counting vs. Probability Rules](#)

[Guessing Strategies](#)

[Quiz: Probability](#)

### **Error Log Review of the above Quiz**

**Congratulations!** 🎉 At this point, you should have seen most of the Magoosh lessons at least once. Now the focus is going to be on a whole lot of practice and applying everything that you've learned from the lesson videos. But! You aren't done with the lesson videos.

They are a resource you should return to, maybe even multiple times. For example, if there are areas in which you are still weak, you should rewatch those videos. When you miss questions during practice, you should rewatch the video(s) that covers that topic and any related videos that are recommended on the question review screen. Remember that full comprehension comes in several stages: always push yourself to reach a deeper understanding with each and every topic.

## Day 5: Flex Day

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- Break out your flashcards and review
- If you are feeling a bit behind schedule, use this as an opportunity to get caught up or closer to caught up.

## Day 6: Mixed Practice & Review

### OG Mixed Practice:

- 10 DI questions

### Review

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice. Be sure to make note of and go back and review the lessons associated with the questions you are missing.

### In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice III deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.



# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Ten

## Week Ten

### Day 1: Practice Test

**Navigate to your GMAC account and take one of the first free full-length Focus practice tests!**

You can access them [here](#).

Remember to do your best to mimic the GMAT conditions. Note how your sleep the night before affects your work. Again, note how what you had for dinner the previous night and what you had to eat earlier that day affects your energy level and concentration. Review your test immediately after completion or save it for tomorrow since that is the focus of this week's day two.

### Day 2: Practice Test Review

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## Day 3-5: Mixed Practice & Review

### OG Mixed Practice:

- 5 QR questions
- 5 VR questions
- 5 DI questions

## Day 6: Review

### Review

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice. Be sure to make note of and go back and review the lessons associated with the questions you are missing.

### In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice IV deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

## 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Eleven

### Week Eleven

### Magoosh Custom Practice:

- 20 QR questions
- 20 VR questions

## OG Mixed Practice:

- 10 QR questions
- 15 VR questions
- 10 DI questions

## Review

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice. Be sure to make note of and go back and review the lessons associated with the questions you are missing.

## In [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#):

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice V deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

# 3 month GMAT Study Plan: Week Twelve

## Week Twelve

### Day 1: Practice Test

**Navigate to your GMAC account and take the other free full-length Focus practice tests!**

You can access them [here](#).

Remember to do your best to mimic the GMAT conditions. Note how your sleep the night before affects your work. Again, note how what

you had for dinner the previous night and what you had to eat earlier that day affects your energy level and concentration. Review your test immediately after completion or save it for tomorrow since that is the focus of this week's day two.

## Day 2: Practice Test Review

Open your error log for a deep-dive review of yesterday's practice test. For each question you entered into your log do the following:

- Determine and make note of why you missed the question
- Return to the Magoosh lessons and watch any that relate to the questions you missed in this O.G. practice.
- Be aware of any trends that help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.

## Day 3-5: Mixed Practice & Review

### **OG Mixed Practice:**

- 5 QR questions
- 5 VR questions
- 5 DI questions

## Day 6: Review

### **Review**

If not already done, break out your error log to analyze any questions you've missed during this week's practice. Be sure to make note of and

go back and review the lessons associated with the questions you are missing.

### **In Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards:**

Review the cards in the Mixed Practice VI deck. Spend about 10 minutes a day each day reviewing these cards and cards from the previous decks that you haven't mastered.

## **After Week 12: Prepare for GMAT Test Day**

### **In the Magoosh questions:**

At this point, if you have been following the schedule, you have done A LOT of work, an incredible number of questions! Excellent job! For the remaining days until the test, keep practicing.

Your first priority should be to finish any remaining unanswered questions; your second priority should be to re-answer any questions you got "incorrect." If, when answering previous incorrect questions, you get the vast majority of them correct on the second try, then the supply of "incorrect" questions will dwindle. When you have run out of (or almost out of ) incorrect questions in each question format, math, verbal, and data insights, you have the option to reset your statistics, and start re-answering questions in an adaptive format. Many students have found that seeing questions more than once really deepens their understanding.

### **Some suggestions for what to do if you have additional time:**

Through selecting question type & difficulty on the “Dashboard”, do Magoosh problems over again, and see how you do a second or third time.

Keep up the outside reading.

Keep working on the questions in the OG online question bank.

Keep watching Magoosh lesson videos on whatever topics you feel you need to review.

Keep studying cards that you haven’t mastered from the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#).

Go to the online forums, looking for challenging questions that folks are asking.

If you have time before the real GMAT, you could buy access to more GMATPrep tests by purchasing [official exams from mba.com](#).

## **COUNTDOWN TO THE EXAM:**

### **Day Before the Test**

No GMAT preparation all day!

Eat a large, healthy, leisurely dinner – no alcohol!

Go to bed earlier than usual.

## Day of Test

ABSOLUTELY NO LAST-MINUTE GMAT PREPARATION!

Eat a large breakfast, full of protein

Do relaxing, fun activities to pass time until the test

## Bring to the Test

A liter of water

Healthy energy-packed snacks (nuts, protein bar, etc.)

Take the optional break and be sure to get up, move & stretch – moving & stretching the large muscles of the body (legs & torso) will get oxygen flowing throughout, which will help keep you awake and keep you thinking clearly.

**Good luck!**