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3-Month GMAT Study Schdule for Beginners



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Getting Started

How to Use This GMAT Study Plan (3 Months)

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 few days, and do them later. Alternately, it would leave you more time for the concentrated review I recommend at the end of the twelve weeks.

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 the GMAT study plan (3 months), approach it with a plan:

- Take a [GMAT diagnostic test](#) first to get a sense of your current skills and areas for improvement.
- Review the GMAT diagnostic test, looking particularly at the instructions and directions to get a better sense of what you'll encounter on test day.
- 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 necessary materials.
- Dive into the study plan!
- 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!
- 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. If you are getting 7 hours/night instead of 8 hours/night, you are depriving your brain of one of its most powerful systems for learning and remembering

- Avoid artificial crutches. Caffeine and energy drinks will keep you feeling awake if you don't get enough sleep, but they don't do anything 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.

Study Materials

Essential Materials

- GMAC's *The Official Guide for GMAT Review* (OG): The newest edition is the [OG2020](#). If you are going to buy a new guide, get that one. If you happen to own the [OG2019](#), [OG2018](#), [OG2017](#), [OG2016](#), the [OG2015](#), or even the previous [OG13](#) (those two versions are **identical** in their print form), then it would be no problem using one of those with this study guide.
 - a. **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.
 - b. The code in the back of the OG will give you access to GMAC's Integrated Reasoning website with 50 IR practice questions; you'll also need these.

- A [Premium subscription to Magoosh](#)

- The [Magoosh GMAT eBook](#)

- The [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#)

- The [Magoosh GMAT Idiom Flashcards](#)

- A journal or notebook (yes, a physical hard copy item)

- a. Pro tip: At the beginning of your journal, write down why you are studying for the GMAT.
- [Magoosh’s Complete GMAT Guide](#): This comprehensive web-based guide to [the GMAT exam](#) gives you the quick but useful overview you need to understand this test. 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.
- [A guide to GMAT Practice Test Resources](#): This page includes instructions on where to find good full-length GMAT practice tests, and how to take practice tests and incorporate them into your studies.

Optional Materials

- Outside reading material: We recommend outside reading, over and above any GMAT-specific materials, because a habit of reading is one of the best ways to improve your GMAT verbal score across the board. For more on how to use outside reading to prepare you for the GMAT, see: [How to Improve your GMAT Verbal Score](#). For more suggestions on what to read, see: [GMAT Reading List](#).
- The [Magoosh mobile app for your iPhone or Android](#)
- Any single volume of the 9-volume [Manhattan GMAT series](#). These books are about the best material available in hard-copy print form. Pick the volume you think would help you the most, whether [Math](#), [Critical Reasoning](#), [Reading Comprehension](#), or [Sentence Correction](#), and either use it as a reference book or work through it anywhere you can fit it into this plan—during extra time on various Day Sixes, for example.
- The primary reason you are getting this volume is to get the code in the inside back cover: that code will give you access to one MGMAT online GMAT CAT, which you will take later in this plan. (See the note below on “Practice Tests During This Plan.”)
- The two online forums:

- a. [GMAT Club](#)
- b. [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.

Links to reviews of required GMAT study guide books and resources

We understand you may want to “look before you leap” and learn more about these resources before you spend your time and money on them. So we’ve made a set of [reviews of GMAT prep resources](#) in this study guide.

If you don’t have all of the required resources above, we encourage you to order them ASAP. (Or find them on the Web for free ASAP, in the case of some of the items listed above.)

How to Use Practice Tests During This Plan

This study plan is designed to accommodate a large number of practice tests, for students who feel that the repeated experience will best prepare them for the GMAT. Most of these take place in the second half of the plan. You have a choice to make about how many practice GMATs you want to take:

- If you don’t foresee yourself taking more than 2-3 practice tests, then get the single MGMAT book for a single MGMAT practice test, and take this on any Day Six. Fill the other Day Sixes with any studying you think would most benefit you, and take the two GMAT Prep tests at the end.
- If you want take the maximum number of practice GMATs that this GMAT 3 month study plan will accommodate—and many students feel this repeated practice experience helps them to acclimate to the conditions of the real GMAT—then there are two ways one can get all six of the MGMAT practice.

- a. One would be to buy the [whole set of MGMT books](#): I would recommend this if you imagine that you will have a great deal of extra time and would like to devote that time to more high quality resources.
- b. A quicker and cheaper way to get the six MGMT practice tests would be to pay \$50 to buy [the 6 MGMT Practice GMAT CATs](#) by themselves.

Abbreviations

- **OG** = the GMAC Official Guide
- **PS** = Problem Solving, the multiple-choice math questions
- **DS** = Data Sufficiency math questions
- **RC** = Reading Comprehension verbal question
- **SC** = Sentence Correction verbal question
- **CR** = Critical Reasoning verbal question
- **IR** = Integrated Reasoning question, a separate section unto itself
- **AWA** = the Analytical Writing Assessment, the essay-writing section

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week One

* Tasks marked with an asterisk indicate that this resource is only available to Magoosh students—sign up here for a free trial!

Week One, Day One

- Go to <https://www.mba.com/exams/gmat/about-the-gmat-exam/gmat-exam-structure>, and read about the structure of the GMAT. Click on each subsection on that page to read about the individual sections.
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the first deck, the Algebra deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

Week One, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Intro – Overview of the GMAT](#)

- [Intro – Quantitative Section Breakdown](#)
 - [Intro – Verbal Section Breakdown](#)
 - [Intro – AWA and IR](#)
 - [Intro – Computer Adaptive Testing](#)
 - [Intro – GMAT Scores](#)
 - [Intro – Pacing, Skipping, and Guessing](#)
 - [Intro – GMAT vs. GRE](#)
 - [Intro – Study Plans & Resources](#)
 - [Intro – Test Day](#)
- In the Official Guide, do the following*:
- 16 Problem Solving
 - 12 Reading Comprehension

**Whenever you do OG questions, always check your answers and explanations when you are done with the batch. Take notes in your journal on anything you need to remember from the solutions. Note that not all the OG explanations are of high quality, and some are not good at all. As an alternative, for all the questions in the OG, you can see much better explanations in our [video solutions](#).*

- In [The Magoosh GMAT eBook](#), read
 - from the beginning of the book up to, but not including, the AWA section
 - from the beginning of the Quantitative section up to, but not including, the DS section
 - from the beginning of the Verbal section up to, but not including, the CR section
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the first deck, the Algebra deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Read the blog article [Overcome GMAT Anxiety](#).

Week One, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Intro to GMAT Math](#)
 - [Math – Mental Math: GMAT Estimation*](#)
 - [Math – Mental Math: Dividing by 5*](#)
 - [Math – Mental Math: Doubling and Halving](#)
 - [Math – Mental Math: Squaring Shortcuts*](#)
 - [Math – Number Sense*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 8 Data Sufficiency
 - 8 Critical Reasoning

- In [The Magoosh GMAT eBook](#), read
 - DS to the end of the Quantitative Section
 - CR section to the end of the eBook

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the first deck, the Algebra deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Read the blog article [Beating GMAT Stress](#).

Week One, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [AWA – Intro to AWA](#)
 - [AWA – Intro to Argument Essay](#)
 - [AWA – Logical Fallacies and the Argument Essay*](#)
 - [AWA – Brainstorming for AWA*](#)
 - [AWA – Writing the Argument Essay*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)

Whenever you do Magoosh questions, if you get a question wrong, watch the video right then, and take notes in your journal about what concepts tripped you up.

NOTE: In all Magoosh practice, from the “Start a Practice Session” page, in Section choose the question type; for subjects, clear all, so that no subject is checked; for difficulty, choose “Adaptive;” and, at least at the beginning, select “Unanswered” questions.

NOTE: when you do Magoosh practice questions, do not select individual topics that are familiar. When you learn a particular lesson, resist the urge to practice that material right there and then.

This plan is based on the [philosophy](#) that you should see a random mix of topics every time you practice as you move through the OG.

Yes, this means you will make some mistakes in the beginning, especially with topics you haven't learned thoroughly yet, but if you study those mistakes carefully, that will prime your mind for understanding these ideas more deeply when you get to them in the lessons.

Getting questions wrong at the beginning may seem frustrating, but remember that you are playing a "longer game": the point is not instant success at the beginning, but building deeper [understanding](#) over time. Also, it's important to get accustomed as soon as possible to the random mix of topics you will see, one after the other, on test day.

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the first deck, the Algebra deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Read the blog article [The GMAT, Business School, and You: the Big Picture](#)

Week One, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – The Use and Abuse of Formulas*](#)
 - [Math – Learn from Your Mistakes](#)
 - [Math – Fundamentals of Data Sufficiency*](#)
 - [Math – DS Elimination Method](#)
 - [Math – Two Kinds of DS Questions*](#)
 - [Math – Avoiding Common DS Mistakes*](#)
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Problem Solving
 - 16 Sentence Correction
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the first deck, the Algebra deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Read the blog article [Zen Boot Camp for the GMAT](#).
- Because there are dozens of different ways one might choose to implement the recommendations of these four "stress reduction" blogs, this schedule does not itemize any specific tasks along these lines. Nevertheless, insofar as you can practice some of these habits consistently over the twelve weeks, you will be very good shape to handle the anxiety of test day.

Week One, Day Six

- Read the following Magoosh articles:
 - [AWA Strategies](#)
 - [The Directions for the AWA section](#)
 - [Typical Flaws in AWA Prompts](#)
 - [Brainstorming for the AWA](#)
 - [AWA Example Essay](#)

Now, you are going to write a practice essay. Read the AWA Argument prompts in the OG (if you have a pre-2020 edition). While GMAC has removed their list of AWA prompts from the 2020 and 2021 OG, you can still find the GMAT essay prompts on this [MBA.com PDF](#). Pick one at random (or have someone pick it for you), and take 30 minutes to write an essay on the computer. (If you can turn off spellcheck & autocorrect, do so, as you will not have that feature on test day.)

Now that you have this essay, what do you do with it? If you have a friend or mentor who is a gifted writer, see whether they would read the essay for you and critique it. Some folks hire a writing tutor specifically for this. If they are willing, you can show them the assessment criteria in the OG, and ask them to follow it.

Alternately, you can upload your essay in the online forums and ask for feedback. See [this blog](#) for other options.

- In the Official Guide (pre-2020 editions) or this [MBA.com PDF](#), do the following:
 - 1 AWA Essay
- In [The Magoosh GMAT eBook](#), read the AWA section.
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Idiom Flashcards](#), study the cards in the first deck, Basic I.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Two

Week Two, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Introductory DS Strategies*](#)
 - [Math – Properties of Real Numbers*](#)
 - [Math – Positive and Negative Numbers – I*](#)
 - [Math – Mental Math, Addition, and Subtraction*](#)

- Math – Positive and Negative Numbers – II*
- Math – Order of Operations*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 8 Reading Comprehension Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the second deck, the Fractions, Ratios, and Percents deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice; once again, see [this blog article](#) for suggestions of what to read. Reading is the very best way to develop instincts for the way writers use language in the business world. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Mental Math Practice:** This is more a general reminder than a thing to do specifically on this day. As is mentioned in the Intro to Math lesson videos, you should practice mental math every day.

Practice adding & subtracting two (or three) digit number in your head every day.

Practice all one-digit times one-digit products, and practice some one-digit times two-digit products in your head every day.

In everyday life, look for opportunities to do mental math: compute tips at restaurants; figure out percents; calculate approximate gas mileage of your car; estimate distance, lengths, areas, and volumes.

If a friend is willing, have your friend hold a calculator and quiz you on various calculations. All of this will be uncomfortable at first, but as with any athletic training, the more your practice, the easier it will become. We want you in championship mental math form by test day.

Week Two, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Verbal – Intro to Sentence Correction](#)

- Verbal – Strategy – Using Splits
 - Verbal – Strategy – False Splits & Low-Hanging Fruit*
 - Verbal – Strategy – Ideal vs. Best Answer
 - Verbal – About the SC Module
 - Verbal – Intro to Parts of Speech
 - Verbal – The Roles of Nouns*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Problem Solving
 - 12 Reading Comprehension
 - In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the second deck, the Fractions, Ratios, and Percents deck. Review cards from this and the previous deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Two, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Intro to Decimals*
 - Math – Multiples of 10*
 - Math – Intro to Fractions*
 - Math – Conversions with Fractions and Decimals*
 - Math – Fraction Properties – I*
 - Math – Operations with Fractions*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - 13 Critical Reasoning Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the second deck, the Fractions, Ratios, and Percents deck. Review cards from this and the previous deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Two, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Verbs*
 - Verbal – Adjectives and Adjectival Phrases
 - Verbal – Adverbs and Adverbial Phrases*
 - Verbal – Conjunctions*
 - Verbal – Clauses
 - Verbal – Subordinate Clauses*
 - Verbal – Substantive Clauses

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency
 - 16 Critical Reasoning

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the second deck, the Fractions, Ratios, and Percents deck. Review cards from this and the previous deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Two, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Fraction Properties – II*
 - Math – Operations with Proportions*
 - Math – Word Problems with Fractions*
 - Math – Intro to Percents
 - Math – Working with Percents*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Arithmetic and Fractions*
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the second deck, the Fractions, Ratios, and Percents deck. Review cards from this and the previous deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Two, Day Six

- Today, you are going to write another practice essay. From the Argument AWA prompts in the OG, pick another at random (or have someone pick it for you), and take 30 minutes to write an essay on the computer. (If you can turn off spellcheck & autocorrect, do so, as you will not have that feature on test day.)

Now that you have this essay, what do you do with it? If you have a friend or mentor who is a gifted writer, see whether they would read the essay for you and critique it. Some folks hire a writing tutor specifically for this. If they are willing, you can show them the assessment criteria in the OG, and ask them to follow it. Alternately, you can upload your essay in the online forms and ask for feedback.

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Idiom Flashcards](#). Study the cards in the second deck, Basic II. As time allows, review cards from the earlier Idiom deck.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Three

Week Three, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Number Sense and Percents](#)
 - [Math – Percent Increases and Decreases*](#)
 - [Math – Sequential Percent Changes](#)
 - [Math – Simple and Compound Interest*](#)
 - [Math – Intro to Ratios](#)
 - [Math – Combining Ratios*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [12 Reading Comprehension Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the third deck, the Geometry deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Three, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Phrases*
 - Verbal – Prepositional Phrases*
 - Verbal – Appositive Phrases*
 - Verbal – Absolute Phrases*
 - Verbal – Removing Fluff from Sentences*
 - Verbal – Intro to Verbs
 - Verbal – Transitive and Intransitive Verbs*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Problem Solving
 - 16 Sentence Correction
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the third deck, the Geometry deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Three, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Ratios and Rates*
 - Math – Ratios and Percents*
 - Math – Divisibility*
 - Math – Divisibility Rules*
 - Math – Multiples
 - Math – Prime Numbers*
- In the Magoosh product, do:

- Quiz: Percents and Ratios*
 - 15 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - 13 Critical Reasoning Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the third deck, the Geometry deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Three, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Predicates
 - Verbal – Grammar – Auxiliary Verbs*
 - Verbal – Grammar – Regular vs. Irregular Verbs*
 - Verbal – Verb Tense – Intro and Simple Tenses*
 - Verbal – Verb Tense – Progressive Tenses*
 - Verbal – Verb Tense – Perfect Tenses*
 - Verbal – Verb Tense – Perfect Progressive Tenses*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency
 - 12 Reading Comprehension
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the third deck, the Geometry deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Three, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Prime Factorization*
 - Math – Counting Factors of Large Numbers*
 - Math – Squares of Integers*

- [Math – Greatest Common Factor*](#)
- [Math – Least Common Multiple*](#)
- [Math – GCD LCM Formula*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [11 Sentence Correction Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the third deck, the Geometry deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Three, Day Six

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [30 Integrated Reasoning Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Idiom Flashcards](#), study the cards in the third deck, Advanced I. As time allows, review cards from the earlier Idiom decks.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Four

Week Four, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Even and Odd Integers*](#)
 - [Math – Testing Cases*](#)
 - [Math – Consecutive Integers*](#)
 - [Math – Remainders*](#)
 - [Math – Integer Properties Strategies](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Integer Properties*](#)
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [8 Reading Comprehension Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the fourth deck, the Number Properties I deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Four, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Intro to Integrated Reasoning](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – The IR Calculator*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – General IR Strategies*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Multi-Source Reasoning*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Table Analysis*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do the following:
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Bradley Metalworks 1 \(Practice\)*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Bradley Metalworks 2 \(Practice\)*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – High School Exams \(Practice\)*](#)
 - [16 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [16 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fourth deck, the Number Properties I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Four, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Simplifying Expressions*](#)
 - [Math – Multiplying Expressions*](#)
 - [Math – FOIL Method*](#)
 - [Math – Factoring – GCF*](#)
 - [Math – Factoring – Difference of Two Squares*](#)

- [Math – Factoring – Quadratic*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fourth deck, the Number Properties I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Four, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Graphics Interpretation*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Types of Graphics*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Venn Diagrams*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Scatterplots*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – More on Scatterplots*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Three Companies \(Practice\)*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Numerical Flowchart \(Practice\)*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency Questions
 - 16 Sentence Correction Questions

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fourth deck, the Number Properties I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Four, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Factoring – Combined*
 - Math – Advanced Numerical Factoring*
 - Math – Factoring – Rational Expressions
 - Math – Basic Equation Solving*
 - Math – Eliminating Fractions*
 - Math – Quadratic Equations*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fourth deck, the Number Properties I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Four, Day Six

- Go back to GMAC's official IR practice questions: Use the access code given in the back of the OG, logging in [here](#). Once again, this site contains the online version of all the questions in the OG, in case you want to practice the identical questions online instead of on paper; in addition, the official IR practice questions live here.

Uncheck everything else and do the remaining 38 IR questions, in three batches, with the following times: six Table Analysis (15 minutes); ten Graphics Interpretation (25 minutes); and sixteen Two-Part Analysis questions (40 minutes). When you are done, go back and read carefully the full explanation for each question. Take notes on anything you need to remember.

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Idiom Flashcards](#): Study the cards in the final deck, Advanced II. Do a thorough review of the cards from the earlier Idiom decks.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Five

Week Five, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Two Equations, Two Unknowns – I*](#)
 - [Math – Two Equations, Two Unknowns – II](#)
 - [Math – System – Number of Solutions*](#)
 - [Math – Three Equations with Three Unknowns*](#)
 - [Math – Absolute Value Equations*](#)
 - [Math – Function Notation*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [12 Reading Comprehension Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the fifth deck, the Number Properties II deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Five, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Intro to Two-Part Analysis*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Verbal Two-Part Analysis*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Math Two-Part Analysis*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Integrated Reasoning*](#)
 - [Integrated Reasoning – Highway to Hillsborough \(Practice\)*](#)

- [Integrated Reasoning – Algebraic Sequence \(Practice\)*](#)
 - [16 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [12 Reading Comprehension*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fifth deck, the Number Properties II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Five, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
- [Math – Strange Operators*](#)
 - [Math – Inequalities – I*](#)
 - [Math – Inequalities – II*](#)
 - [Math – Absolute Value Inequalities*](#)
 - [Math – Simplifying with Substitutions](#)
 - [Math – Intro to Word Problems](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
- [Quiz: Algebra, Equations, and Inequalities*](#)
 - [12 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)
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Week Five, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:

- Verbal – Verb Mood – Subjunctive*
 - Verbal – Conditionals*
 - Verbal – Grammar – Infinitive Phrases
 - Verbal – Grammar – Participial Phrases*
 - Verbal – Grammar – Perfect Participles*
 - Verbal – Tense of Participial Phrases*
 - Verbal – Grammar – Gerunds*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Critical Reasoning
 - In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fifth deck, the Number Properties II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Five, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Assigning Variables*
 - Math – Number of Variables*
 - Math – Age Questions
 - Math – Intro to Motion Questions*
 - Math – Average Speed*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the fifth deck, the Number Properties II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Five, Day Six

- Using the code in the back of the MGMAT volume you bought, log into the MGMAT website and take the first online MGMAT CAT test.

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3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Six

Week Six, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:

- Math – Multiple Traveler Questions
 - Math – Shrinking and Expanding Gaps*
 - Math – Work Questions*
 - Math – Growth and Decay
 - Math – Mixture Questions*
 - Math – Intro to Sets and Venn Diagrams
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 8 Reading Comprehension Questions*
 - In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the sixth deck, the Statistics and Probability deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
 - Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Six, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Verb Voice*
 - Verbal – More on the Passive Voice*
 - Verbal – Sequence of Tenses
 - Verbal – Subject Verb Agreement – I*
 - Verbal – Subject Verb Agreement – II*
 - Verbal – Auxiliary Verbs and Subject Verb Agreement*
 - Verbal – Introduction to Pronouns
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Sentence Correction – Verb Form*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions
 - 16 Sentence Correction Questions
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the sixth deck, the Statistics and Probability deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Six, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Double Matrix Method](#)
 - [Math – Three Criteria Venn Diagrams*](#)
 - [Math – Intro to Sequences](#)
 - [Math – Arithmetic Sequences*](#)
 - [Math – Recursive Sequences*](#)
 - [Math – Inclusive Counting*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the sixth deck, the Statistics and Probability deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Six, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Verbal – Indefinite Pronouns & Subject Verb Agreement*](#)
 - [Verbal – Pronoun Agreement – I*](#)
 - [Verbal – Pronoun Agreement – II*](#)
 - [Verbal – Infinitive of Purpose](#)
 - [Verbal – The Missing Verb Mistake](#)
 - [Verbal – The Double Subject Mistake*](#)
 - [Verbal – Run-On Sentences*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Sentence Correction – Agreement*](#)
 - [Quiz: Sentence Correction – Grammatical Construction*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency
 - 8 Reading Comprehension
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the sixth deck, the Statistics and Probability deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Six, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Sums of Sequences*](#)
 - [Math – Backsolving](#)
 - [Math – Intro to VICs*](#)
 - [Math – VICs – Algebraic Approach*](#)
 - [Math – VICs – Picking Numbers*](#)
 - [Math – Intro to Exponents](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Word Problems*](#)
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [11 Sentence Correction Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the sixth deck, the Statistics and Probability deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Six, Day Six

- Review the wrong answers from last week's practice test.

- Take some time to review any Idiom flashcards and any Math flashcards that you haven't mastered yet.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Seven

Week Seven, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Exponential Growth*
 - Math – Laws of Exponents – I*
 - Math – Negative Exponents*
 - Math – Laws of Exponents – II*
 - Math – Square Roots
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 12 Reading Comprehension Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the seventh deck, the Mixed Practice I deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at [Week Two, Day One](#).

Week Seven, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Intro to Parallelism
 - Verbal – The Once Outside, Twice Inside Rule*
 - Verbal – More on Inside & Outside*
 - Verbal – Omitting Words in Parallelism*
 - Verbal – False Parallelism
 - Verbal – Comparatives and Superlatives*
 - Verbal – Intro to Comparisons
- In the Magoosh product, do:

- 16 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 16 Sentence Correction Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the seventh deck, the Mixed Practice I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Seven, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Other Roots*
 - Math – Properties of Roots*
 - Math – Simplifying Roots*
 - Math – Operations with Roots*
 - Math – Equations with Square Roots
 - Math – Fractional Exponents*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - 13 Critical Reasoning Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the seventh deck, the Mixed Practice I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Seven, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Omitting Words in Comparisons*
 - Verbal – Comparisons: Like vs. As*
 - Verbal – Adverbs & Adjectives*
 - Verbal – Intro to Modifiers
 - Verbal – Relative Clause Modifiers*

- Verbal – Vital Noun Modifiers
- Verbal – Exceptions to the Touch Rule*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Sentence Correction – Parallelism*
 - 16 Data Sufficiency Questions*

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 12 Reading Comprehension

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the seventh deck, the Mixed Practice I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Seven, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Exponential Equations*
 - Math – Rationalizing
 - Math – Working with Formulas*
 - Math – Lines and Angles
 - Math – Triangles – Part I
 - Math – Assumptions and Estimation

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Powers and Roots*
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the seventh deck, the Mixed Practice I deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Seven, Day Six

- Take the next online MGMAT CAT test.

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3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Eight

Week Eight, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Geometry Strategies – Part I*](#)
 - [Math – Triangles – Part II*](#)
 - [Math – Right Triangles](#)
 - [Math – Similar Triangles*](#)
 - [Math – Special Right Triangles*](#)
 - [Math – Quadrilaterals*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:

- 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 8 Reading Comprehension Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the eighth deck, the Mixed Practice II deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
 - Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
 - Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Eight, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Word Order with Adverbs*
 - Verbal – Illogical Predication*
 - Verbal – Introduction to Diction*
 - Verbal – Lie vs. Lay*
 - Verbal – If vs. Whether*
 - Verbal – Countable vs. Uncountable*
 - Verbal – Rather than vs. Instead of
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Sentence Correction – Logical Predication*
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Critical Reasoning
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eighth deck, the Mixed Practice II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eight, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Area of Quadrilaterals*](#)
 - [Math – Polygons*](#)
 - [Math – Regular Polygons](#)
 - [Math – Circles*](#)
 - [Math – Circle Properties*](#)
 - [Math – Circles, Arcs, and Sectors*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eighth deck, the Mixed Practice II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

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Week Eight, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Verbal – Because of vs. Due to*](#)
 - [Verbal – Diction: Like vs. Such As*](#)
 - [Verbal – Idioms*](#)
 - [Verbal – Verbs and Active Language](#)
 - [Verbal – Subject-Verb Proximity*](#)
 - [Verbal – Focus on a Topic*](#)
 - [Verbal – Avoid Redundancy*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Sentence Correction – Diction*](#)
 - [Quiz: Sentence Correction – Idiom*](#)
 - [16 Sentence Correction Questions*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eighth deck, the Mixed Practice II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eight, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Volume and Surface Area*](#)
 - [Math – Units of Measurement*](#)
 - [Math – Geometry Strategies – Part II](#)
 - [Math – The Coordinate Plane*](#)
 - [Math – Graphing Lines*](#)
 - [Math – Vertical and Horizontal Lines*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Geometry*](#)
 - [11 Sentence Correction Questions*](#)
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eighth deck, the Mixed Practice II deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Eight, Day Six

- Review the wrong answers from last week's practice test.

NOTE: Look ahead at the upcoming Day Sixes and think about your test date. If Week 12, Day 6 is the day immediately before your real test, you don't want to take a practice test then. I would recommend dropping the last MGMAT test, so you can fit two GMAT Prep tests in right before the end of the schedule. Just be thinking about all of this ahead of time, so you don't have to make last-minute-panic changes.
- Take some time to review any Idiom flashcards and any Math flashcards that you haven't mastered yet.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Nine

Week Nine, Day One

NOTE: As you approach the end of the plan, the number of Magoosh questions remaining will be different for different folks, depending on how many quizzes you took. This could make a particular difference in math, if you took several quizzes multiple times.

If you took each quiz only once, you should finish most of the Magoosh questions in the last week of the schedule, but if you took some quizzes multiple times you may run out of unanswered questions before the end of the schedule.

If that's the case, start answering questions you've seen before, especially ones that you already got wrong: that's an excellent way to see whether you have learned from your mistakes.

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Slope*](#)
 - [Math – Intercepts*](#)
 - [Math – Slope-Intercept Form*](#)
 - [Math – Writing Equations of Lines*](#)
 - [Math – Distance Between Two Points](#)
 - [Math – Reflections in the x-y Plane*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 12 Reading Comprehension

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the ninth deck, the Mixed Practice III deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Nine, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Concision I – Keep It Short
 - Verbal – Concision II – Not Too Short*
 - Verbal – Meaning*
 - Verbal – Summary of SC Strategies*
 - Verbal – Sentence Correction Example #1*
 - Verbal – Sentence Correction Example #2*
 - Verbal – Intro to Reading Comprehension
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Sentence Correction – Rhetorical Construction*
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 12 Reading Comprehension Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the ninth deck, the Mixed Practice III deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Nine, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Graphs of Quadratics*
 - Math – Mean, Median, Mode*
 - Math – More on Mean and Median*
 - Math – Weighted Averages I*
 - Math – Weighted Averages II (Advanced)
 - Math – Range and Standard Deviation*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Coordinate Geometry*
 - 12 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - 13 Critical Reasoning Questions*

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- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Nine, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Verbal – Approaching the Passage](#)
 - [Verbal – Understanding Structure](#)
 - [Verbal – Dissecting the Passage*](#)
 - [Verbal – Approaching the Question*](#)
 - [Verbal – Answer Choice Traps*](#)
 - [Verbal – Primary Purpose](#)
 - [Verbal – Detail Questions*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [16 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - [16 Critical Reasoning](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the ninth deck, the Mixed Practice III deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Nine, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – More on Standard Deviation*](#)
 - [Math – The Normal Distribution*](#)
 - [Math – Introduction to Counting*](#)
 - [Math – Fundamental Counting Principle*](#)

- Math – FCP with Restrictions*
- Math – Factorial Notation*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Statistics*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 16 Data Sufficiency

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the ninth deck, the Mixed Practice III deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

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Week Nine, Day Six

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3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Ten

Week Ten, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Alternative Methods*
 - Math – Counting with Identical Items
 - Math – Eliminating Repetition*
 - Math – Combinations*
 - Math – When to Use Combinations*
 - Math – Calculating Combinations*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 8 Reading Comprehension Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the tenth deck, the Mixed Practice IV deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Ten, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Inference Questions
 - Verbal – Miscellaneous RC Tips*
 - Verbal – RC Example, Passage #1 Path Dependence
 - Verbal – RC Example, Passage #1, Question #1*
 - Verbal – RC Example, Passage #1, Question #2*
 - Verbal – RC Example, Passage #2 Office Organization*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions*

- 16 Sentence Correction Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the tenth deck, the Mixed Practice IV deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Ten, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Permutations and Combinations*](#)
 - [Math – Counting Strategies*](#)
 - [Math – Intro to Probability](#)
 - [Math – Complementary Events and Simple Rules*](#)
 - [Math – Mutually Exclusive Events*](#)
 - [Math – Probability of Event A OR Event B*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Counting](#)
 - [12 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
 - [13 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the tenth deck, the Mixed Practice IV deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Ten, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Verbal – RC Example, Passage #2, Question #1*](#)
 - [Verbal – RC Example, Passage #2, Question #2*](#)
 - [Verbal – Intro to Critical Reasoning](#)
 - [Verbal – Dissecting an Argument*](#)
 - [Verbal – Common Argument Types](#)

- [Verbal – General CR Strategy*](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [Quiz: Reading Comprehension*](#)
 - [16 Data Sufficiency Questions*](#)
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 12 Reading Comprehension
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the tenth deck, the Mixed Practice IV deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Ten, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Math – Examples of the OR Rule*](#)
 - [Math – Independent Events*](#)
 - [Math – Examples of the AND Rule*](#)
 - [Math – Generalized AND Rule*](#)
 - [Math – Examples of Generalized AND Rule*](#)
 - [Math – Binomial Situation](#)
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [11 Sentence Correction Questions*](#)
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the tenth deck, the Mixed Practice IV deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
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Week Ten, Day Six

- Review your wrong answers from last week's practice test.
- Take some time to review any Idiom flashcards and any Math flashcards that you haven't mastered yet.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Eleven

Week Eleven, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – The “At Least” Scenario*
 - Math – Analyzing Questions*
 - Math – Using Counting Techniques*
 - Math – Listing vs. Counting vs. Probability Rules*
 - Math – General Probability Strategies*
 - Math – Guessing Strategies
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Probability*
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 13 Critical Reasoning
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the eleventh deck, the Mixed Practice V deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.
- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Eleven, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Weakening the Argument*
 - Verbal – Strengthening the Argument*
 - Verbal – Assumption Questions*
 - Verbal – Conclusion and Inference*
 - Verbal – Bold-faced Questions*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 16 Critical Reasoning Questions*

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eleventh deck, the Mixed Practice V deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eleven, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Word Problems, Summarizing Information*
 - Math – Rephrasing the Question*
 - Math – Picking Numbers for DS*
 - Math – Strategies for Picking Numbers*
 - Math – DS Geometry Questions*
 - Math – DS Algebra Strategies*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 12 Data Sufficiency

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eleventh deck, the Mixed Practice V deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eleven, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Verbal – Flawed Argument Questions*
 - Verbal – Paradox Questions*
 - Verbal – Evaluating the Conclusion*
 - Verbal – Miscellaneous CR Tips
 - Verbal – Critical Reasoning Example #1*
 - Verbal – Critical Reasoning Example #2*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - Quiz: Critical Reasoning*
 - 10 Data Sufficiency Questions*
 - 16 Sentence Correction Questions*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eleventh deck, the Mixed Practice V deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eleven, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - Math – Tautological Statements*
 - Math – Common DS Mistakes
 - Math – DS with Integer Constraints*
 - Math – Summary of DS Strategies*
- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 15 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 13 Critical Reasoning Questions*

- ❑ In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the eleventh deck, the Mixed Practice V deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- ❑ Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Eleven, Day Six

- ❑ [Download the free GMAT Prep software](#).
- ❑ Take the first full-length GMAT on the GMAC software.

This software also does not include an AWA question. To simulate a full GMAT, begin by selecting randomly a prompt from the back of the OG (if you have a pre-2020 edition) or this [MBA.com PDF](#), and then take 30 minutes to write the essay in a word processing program. Then, take the rest of the GMAT using that software.

Go through the entire solution after you are done, reading carefully the solutions of anything you go wrong. If you have questions that are not clarified by these solutions, you will often find GMAT Prep questions posted on the GMAT Club forum. Take notes in your journal on anything you got wrong and anything you need to remember. The essay you will either share with a trusted friend or mentor, or post in the online forums asking for feedback.

As much as possible, try to mimic the GMAT conditions. Give yourself relatively short breaks in between sections. Only eat the kinds of snacks that you are planning to bring to the real GMAT. 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. Write any observations in your journal.

- ❑ Take some time to review any Idiom flashcards and any Math flashcards that you haven't mastered yet.

3 Month GMAT Study Plan: Week Twelve

Week Twelve, Day One

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Remaining verbal lesson videos \(if any\)*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [12 Problem Solving Questions*](#)

- In the Official Guide, do the following:
 - 10 Critical Reasoning

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), start learning the cards in the last deck, the Mixed Practice VI deck. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

- Remember this week to continue doing Mental Math Practice. See the description at Week Two, Day One.

Week Twelve, Day Two

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - [Remaining math lesson videos \(if any\)*](#)

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - [16 Problem Solving Questions*](#)
 - [6 Critical Reasoning Questions*](#)
 - [8 Reading Comprehension Questions*](#)

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the last deck, the Mixed Practice VI deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Twelve, Day Three

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - 6 lessons of your choice*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 11 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the last deck, the Mixed Practice VI deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Twelve, Day Four

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - 6 lessons of your choice*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 16 Problem Solving Questions*
 - 12 Sentence Correction Questions*

- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the last deck, the Mixed Practice VI deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.

- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Twelve, Day Five

- Watch Magoosh lesson videos:
 - 6 lessons of your choice*

- In the Magoosh product, do:
 - 12 Problem Solving Questions (or however many are left)*
 - 6 Sentence Correction Questions (or however many are left)*

- 6 Critical Reasoning Questions (or however many are left)*
- In the [Magoosh GMAT Math Flashcards](#), continue learning the cards in the last deck, the Mixed Practice VI deck. Review cards from this and the previous decks. Spend 10-15 minutes with these cards.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on the outside reading of your choice. Pay attention to sentence structures. Pay attention to arguments. Pay attention to main ideas & roles of paragraphs.

Week Twelve, Day Six (if this is NOT the day before the real GMAT):

- Take the second full-length GMAT on the GMAC software.
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Go through the entire solution after you are done, reading carefully the solutions of anything you go wrong. If you have questions that are not clarified by these solutions, you will often find GMAT Prep questions posted on the GMAT Club forum. Take notes in your journal on anything you got wrong and anything you need to remember. The essay you will either share with a trusted friend or mentor, or post in the online forums asking for feedback.

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After Week 12: Concentrated Review

At this point, if you have been following the schedule, you should have done just about every question in both Magoosh and in the OG at least once. For the days of this week, and remaining days of the test, keep up work on GMAT math and verbal. Some suggestions for what to do:

- Go back to OG questions you did a while ago, and do them again. (This is why it was important not to write in the book!)
- Through selecting question type & difficulty on the “Dashboard”, do Magoosh problems over again, and see how you do a second time.
- Keep watching for a second time five Magoosh lesson videos a day, on whatever topics you feel you need to review
- Continue reviewing all the Magoosh flashcards.
- Continue Mental Math Practice every day.
- Go to the online forums, looking for challenging questions that folks are asking.
- If you feel you need it, devote one more evening to writing two more practice essays, from the topics listed in the OG.
- If you have a weekend day that is more than a couple days for the real GMAT, then take one final practice GMAT from the GMAT software, as on Week Twelve, Day Six.
- Review guidelines from both [Magoosh](#) and the [GMAC](#) about guessing and skipping on the exam and how this can affect your overall pacing.

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!
- Follow [Magoosh’s suggestions for ultimate test-day success!](#)
- 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.)
- On breaks, make sure to get up, move & stretch – moving and stretching the large muscles of the body (legs and torso) will get oxygen flowing throughout, which will help keep you awake and keep you thinking clearly.
- Check out some [relaxation tips for test day](#), as well.

Bonus: Review the Official Web Pages for GMAT Test Day

Being relaxed and confident on test day is key to doing well on the GMAT. And the best way to know what to expect is to get information from the actual makers of the test. MBA.com (the official website for the GMAT) has a [number of resources](#) to help you know what to expect on test day, including what the test center will be like, identification requirements, and exam strategies. This is an optional end-of-study-plan activity. But you may find that some or all of the pages help you feel more prepared for the test than ever.

From all of us here at Magoosh, good luck!