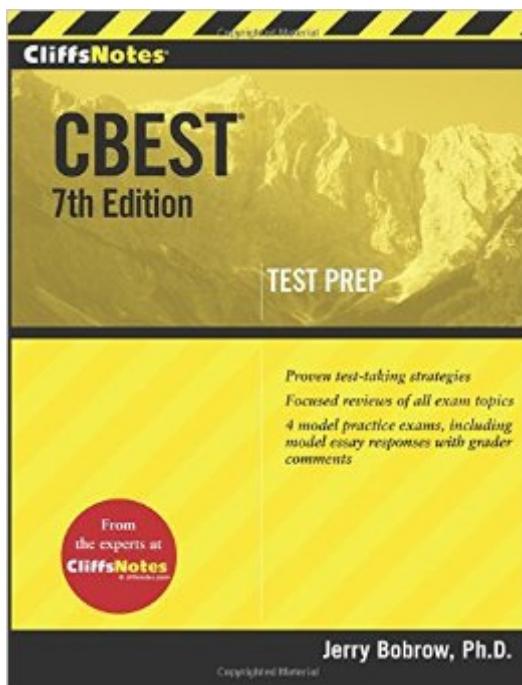


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The 7th Edition of CliffsNotes CBEST does an adequate job of describing the content of the CBEST, and it gives quite an exhaustive review of the math you need to know on the test. Unlike what was stated in a previous review on here, examples for math problems ARE given, which is good. The problem mostly lies in the reading comprehension portion of the book. Compared to the practice CBEST items given on the official California credentialing website, the reading passages in this book are far more difficult. In fact, they're just as tough as the reading passages on the GRE test (which I took in 2006)! It's nice that CliffsNotes gives you some extra reinforcement, but they should

adjust the difficulty level to that of the actual CBEST examination. Boosting the difficulty only makes you feel more intimidated when the actual test comes. Speaking of intimidation, take a look at their examples for the Writing section. The examples given for "well-written essays" look like they should be published in an anthology of sorts. No way can anybody be expected to write essays of that caliber on the CBEST....nobody. I definitely did not write like that on the Analytical Writing portion of the GRE, and I got a 5.5 out of 6 on that entire section. What does that tell you? For the essays, all they care about is whether you can specifically answer the question properly, formulate a logical sequence of opinions or events, and use correct grammar/punctuation/spelling. That's it! On a side note, regarding the practice tests in this book, they only give one writing sample as an answer for each writing section. There are 4 total practice tests with 2 essays per test; however, only one out of the two is provided as an answer in each test.

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