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GRE GENERAL TEST PRACTICE · VERBAL REASONING

# GRE Verbal Reasoning

*Practice Set 05 · Full-Length Verbal Measure · Strategies & Answer Key*

XIII

PREMIUM EDITION

27 questions

2 timed sections

5 passages

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*Chapter One*

# The GRE Verbal measure at a glance

Verbal Reasoning measures how well you analyze written material, understand relationships between words and concepts, and reason from incomplete information. On the current GRE General Test it has **two sections**; the second section's difficulty depends on how you do in the first.

| Section | Questions | Time |
|---|---|---|
| Verbal Section 1 | 12 | 18 minutes |
| Verbal Section 2 | 15 | 23 minutes |

| Question type | What you do |
|---|---|
| **Text Completion** | Fill 1–3 blanks in a short passage (each blank has its own choices) |
| **Sentence Equivalence** | Pick the **two** words that complete a sentence with the same meaning |
| **Reading Comprehension** | Answer questions about passages and short arguments |

Verbal scores range from **130 to 170** in one-point steps. The whole GRE takes about 1 hour 58 minutes; Analytical Writing always comes first.

> **How this book shows multi-answer items.** So that every question can be scored instantly, multi-blank Text Completion and Sentence Equivalence items list complete combinations as choices A–E. On test day you will select each blank or each word separately.

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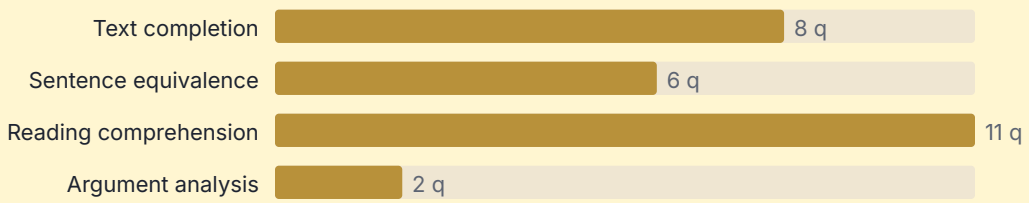
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*Chapter Two*

# Strategies for Set 05

1. **Text Completion: predict before you look.** Fill the blank with your own word, then find its match.
2. **Signal words decide the answer.** *although, despite, far from, rather than* reverse; *so…that, in fact, indeed* continue.
3. **Multi-blank items: start with the easiest blank.** On the real test every blank must be right to earn credit.
4. **Sentence Equivalence: two answers, one meaning.** A synonym pair that doesn't fit the sentence is a trap.
5. **Reading Comprehension: purpose, detail, function, inference.** Ask why each sentence is there.
6. **Argument questions: find the conclusion and the gap.** Weakeners offer another cause; assumptions close the gap.

FIG 2.1 · QUESTION MIX IN SET 05 (27 QUESTIONS)




> **Timing.** Take Section 1 in 18 minutes and Section 2 in 23 minutes, as on the real test. You may skip and return within a section.

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*Section 1 · 18 minutes*

# Text Completion · Questions 1–2

For each blank, choose the word that best completes the text.

TEXT COMPLETION **1. The committee's final report was surprisingly _____, given how bitterly its members had argued during the hearings.**

- **A** divided
- **B** contentious
- **C** unanimous
- **D** inconclusive
- **E** belated

TEXT COMPLETION **2. Though the novel's premise is _____, the author's careful research makes even its strangest events feel plausible.**

- **A** mundane
- **B** credible
- **C** conventional
- **D** realistic
- **E** outlandish

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