## The Ultimate GMAT Reading Comprehension Guide: Master the GMAT's Reading Passages

The GMAT Reading Comprehension section is often considered one of the most challenging sections of the exam. However, with the right preparation, you can learn to master this section and improve your overall GMAT score.

This comprehensive guide will provide you with everything you need to know about GMAT Reading Comprehension, including:

- Tips for answering different types of questions
- Strategies for building vocabulary
- Time management techniques

By following the advice in this guide, you can develop the skills and knowledge you need to ace the GMAT Reading Comprehension section.



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There are three main types of GMAT Reading Comprehension questions:

- Main Idea Questions ask you to identify the main point or argument of the passage.
- Detail Questions ask you to find specific information in the passage.
- Inference Questions ask you to draw s based on the information in the passage.

Each type of question requires a different approach. In the following sections, we will provide tips for answering each type of question effectively.

To answer Main Idea questions, you need to be able to identify the main point or argument of the passage. The main point is usually stated in the first or second paragraph of the passage. However, it can also be found in the last paragraph or even in the middle of the passage.

Once you have identified the main point, you need to be able to summarize it in a clear and concise way. Your summary should be no more than two or three sentences long.

Here is an example of a Main Idea question:

> Passage: The internet has had a profound impact on the way we live our lives. We use it to stay connected with friends and family, to learn new things, to shop, and to be entertained. The internet has made our lives easier and more convenient, but it has also raised some concerns about privacy and security.

> **Question:** What is the main idea of the passage?

> **Answer:** The main idea of the passage is that the internet has had a

significant impact on the way we live our lives, both positively and

negatively.

To answer Detail questions, you need to be able to find specific information

in the passage. This information can be found anywhere in the passage, so

it is important to read the passage carefully.

When you are answering Detail questions, it is helpful to use keywords

from the question to help you locate the information you need in the

passage.

Here is an example of a Detail question:

> Passage: The Eiffel Tower is a wrought iron lattice tower on the Champ

de Mars in Paris, France. It is named after the engineer Gustave Eiffel,

whose company designed and built the tower. The Eiffel Tower was built as

the entrance arch for the 1889 World's Fair. It was originally intended to be

a temporary structure, but it has become one of the most iconic landmarks

in the world.

> **Question:** Who designed and built the Eiffel Tower?

> **Answer:** Gustave Eiffel

To answer Inference questions, you need to be able to draw s based on the

information in the passage. This can be challenging, but it is important to

remember that the answers to Inference questions are always supported by the information in the passage.

When you are answering Inference questions, it is helpful to ask yourself what the author is trying to say. What is the author's purpose? What is the author's point of view?

Here is an example of an Inference question:

- > **Passage:** The internet has made it easier than ever to stay connected with friends and family. However, it has also made it easier for people to spread misinformation.
- > **Question:** What is the author's point of view about the internet?
- > **Answer:** The author's point of view is that the internet has both positive and negative effects on society.

One of the most important things you can do to improve your GMAT Reading Comprehension score is to build your vocabulary. The GMAT Reading Comprehension passages are often written using complex and sophisticated language, so it is important to be able to understand the meaning of the words you are reading.

There are many different ways to build your vocabulary. One way is to read regularly. When you read, pay attention to the words you don't know. Look them up in a dictionary and write down their definitions. You can also use flashcards to help you remember new words.

Another way to build your vocabulary is to take a vocabulary course. There are many different vocabulary courses available, both online and in person. A vocabulary course can help you learn new words and improve your understanding of the words you already know.

Time management is essential on the GMAT Reading Comprehension section. You will be given 18 minutes to answer 10 questions. This means that you have an average of 1 minute and 48 seconds per question.

It is important to use your time wisely. Don't spend too much time on any one question. If you are stuck on a question, move on and come back to it later.

Here are some tips for managing your time effectively on the GMAT Reading Comprehension section:

- Read the passage quickly to get a general idea of the main point.
- Answer the questions in the order they are presented.
- Skip any questions that you are not sure about.
- Come back to the skipped questions at the end if you have time.

The GMAT Reading Comprehension section can be challenging, but it is possible to master with the right preparation. By following the tips in this guide, you can develop the skills and knowledge you need to ace the GMAT Reading Comprehension section and improve your overall GMAT score.

Good luck!

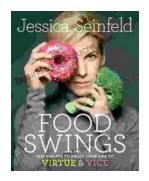


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