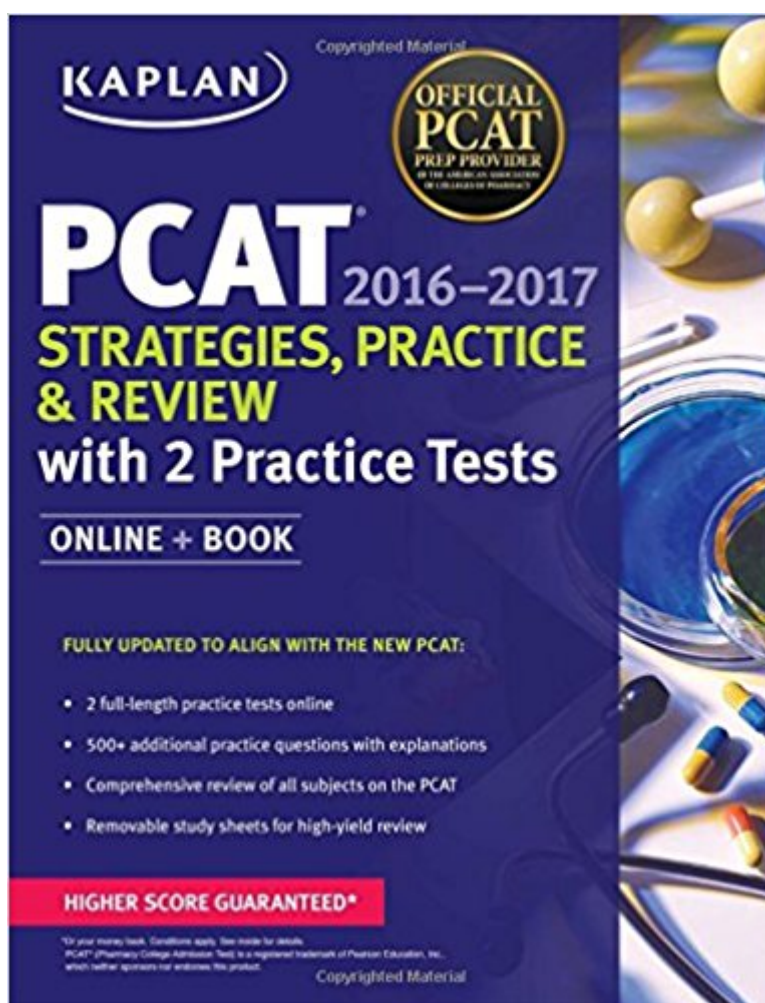


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Was given this book along with a few others to study for the PCAT. I used this book primarily because it is the only one that reflects the changes made to the PCAT starting summer 2016. Granted I’ve only made it through the biology section and part of the chemistry during the time of this review.

Pros:- Only study guide to reflect the new PCAT so far- Online practice exams mostly reflect the changes announced by the PCAT in timing and content- There are tear out study charts in the back of the book

Cons:- Not nearly enough practice problems at the end of each chapter.- There are typos in a few chapters. Most are minor and obvious (VI instead of IV), and others are more detrimental (they get the ploidy / N number of chromosomes mixed up twice in the meiosis section).- The new PCAT will have some word problems in the math section, but the online practice exams for Kaplan don’t have word problems.- Because of the lack of practice problems, the math section looks like it is not very helpful.

I recommend you use this book as your primary study book and buy one or two more for supplement practice practice problems.

TL;DRBuy this book + Dr. Collins+ updateI studied this book for about a month and took the exam on Nov.4. My composite was 96 percentile.the break down:Bio:96Chem:98Reading:34Math:99As a non-native speaker, it was impossible for me to improve my reading over a short period of time, so I gave up. I’m sure you guys can do better than me in this section. Fortunately most pharmacy schools only require a minimum score of 20 in reading section.

Talking about the book, I have to say kaplan PCAT is a must buy. Frankly speaking, everything on this book can possibly be in the PCAT exam. However, THIS BOOK DOES NOT COVER EVERYTHING IN THE EXAM, which means you

have to buy something else or search online for those info. (for example the 4+2 and 2+2 reaction in organic chemistry are not mentioned in the book). Many people have problems on math section, and complain the book for not providing enough info. The book is actually very informative, but the review questions are nowhere near the question types in the PCAT exam. The PCAT math is very very tricky. It does not test your ability to solve problems, it actually tests your ability to estimate the range of the solution and pick the right answer as fast as possible. Of course you have to know everything on this book, but if you really want to experience how the real test feels like, buy the official practice test from Pearson. Last thing I want to talk about is the online practice coming with this book. They do provide a good simulation of the test environment. Maybe the reading section is good, I don't know because I have never been an expert of English. The difficulty of the practice does not match the real exam. So if you get a poor score don't worry, it doesn't matter. I used Dr. Collins' material for practice most of the time. Be sure to buy the update as well. Overall, considering that this book is only ~\$30 bucks, I highly recommend you guys to buy this book. Hope you guys do well in the PCAT. Good luck. TL;DR Buy this book + Dr. Collins+ update

I've found this review book extremely helpful! Given the sheer amount of material, it's pretty comprehensive, concise yet doesn't leave a lot out. Of course, there are bound to be some points that need a little further personal research, but I've not really found any glaring omissions or mistakes. I would have liked to have seen a little more in the Quantitative Reasoning section, simply because math isn't my strong suit, but that's the only minor complaint I have. If you're taking the PCAT, this book is definitely an essential.

The book is concise and tells you exactly what you need to know to do well, but it does not have all the information necessary to truly ace the PCAT. I would use this book with other study materials. The online practice tests are very useful though because they give you a sample of what the timed test conditions will be like.

I was well prepared for the PCAT thanks to this book. I scored well above the 50% percentile. I prepared well, but I believe this book and the practice tests are what put me over the top. The sections were laid out well and the test prep material included was very helpful. I truly believe that if this book had been my only prep material I would have scored just as high. Utilize this cheap book for all its worth and put in the study time. It is by far more than worth it. Coming from a student who has just been accepted into 3 different pharmacy schools. P.S I took the test in October

Used approximately 2-3 months before my PCAT exam in September 2016. As my only review guide for the exam, Kaplan did a great job on preparing me for what to expect on the actual test. Organic chemistry was my main worry on the exam. However, my overall chemistry score was actually my second highest score on the actual PCAT, and that's all thanks to Kaplan. Definitely offered a general understanding of the basics of organic chemistry, sufficient enough for a good chemistry score. Kaplan offered online exams using a specific code from the book, and I have to say their tests truly did reflect the newly updated PCAT exam. Without the practice online exams, I know my score would have been much lower. Kaplan probably best detailed and outlined the science sections; the biology section was very heavy with information (almost to a ridiculous amount), but I do remember using information that I memorized from Kaplan on the exam. I barely used Kaplan to study the mathematics section. Despite offering reminders on formulas that I forgot over time, Kaplan does not offer the best math review. Overall, I am content with my score on the 2016 PCAT using this book without any additional material (I had textbooks of course, but I barely opened them). Would highly suggest re-reading the biology sections more than once. Dr. Collins isn't necessary (I never purchased it), but my friends recommend it in combination with Kaplan.

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