



# GMAT SCORE BOOSTER SUPPLEMENT

**EMPOWER**gmat™

MAXIMUM IMPROVEMENT MADE EFFICIENT

Coverage Level

**FULL**

Timeframe

**2-6 WEEKS**

Updated

**9/20/2014**

NOTE: This packet is to be used in conjunction with the Modules in your Empower GMAT Course. This packet is NOT designed to be a complete treatment of any subject herein.

# PRE-START CHECKLIST

Pick up your gear. Some things are essential, some are optional. Get the gear you need to succeed.

## PRE-START CHECKLIST

ITEM	HAVE
 <b>mba.com CAT</b> <a href="#">Download Free GMAT Prep software</a> . Contains 2 practice CATs, and practice questions.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>GMAT Official Guide, 2015 Edition or the 13th Edition</b> <a href="#">Purchase from amazon.com</a> . The questions are the same in both editions. Essential official question source.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Practice CATs</b> <a href="#">Purchase 6 practice CATs for \$49</a> . Highly recommended for practice and training during the course.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Notebooks</b> <a href="#">Purchase realistic scratch paper from amazon.com</a> . Realistic scratch paper for all of your work.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>GMAT Style Pens</b> <a href="#">Purchase realistic GMAT pens</a> . Get used to the same pen you'll use for your real test.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Headphones</b> Have or <a href="#">purchase headphones</a> . You'll be wearing headphones during your real test. Use to watch your lessons.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Energy Bars</b> <a href="#">12 Pack of Cliff's Energy Bars at amazon.com</a> . Have the right snacks for your studies and training.	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Chewing Gum</b> <a href="#">Purchase a 12 pack of Trident Cinnamon gum at amazon.com</a> . Chewing gum adds focus and boosts energy.	<input type="checkbox"/>

## PROPER GMAT STUDYING CHECKLIST

### Scheduling

To crush the GMAT, you have a lot of work ahead of you, so plan accordingly. Design a schedule that allow for consistent training. EMPOWER suggests 4 nights/week if you work, and two four-hour blocks each weekend.

### Conditions

Quiet settings; distraction free (or minimal); headphones; snacks; water

### Study Duration: 75 Mins + 8 Min Break

Ideally, all sessions should be the same length as a GMAT section. Divide your sessions into 75 minute increments with breaks.

### Notebook

Keep track of your progress, and particularly your mistakes. Use the Mistake Register to locate patterns within your mistakes both in terms of tactics and content

### Standard of Learning

Successful GMAT test-takers not only know the concepts, they know how to apply them. By the time you sit for the real exam, you should know the content so well you could teach it.

# SCORE BOOSTER

The EMPOWER<sup>g</sup>mat Score Booster plan is geared toward those who have already begun prepping for the exam with other resources, but are stuck at a score level below the target school averages. Most people who go on to achieve maximum score improvement invest 10-15 hours per week, and spend 3 months overall in their preparation.

This plan will help you break through a stubborn flat score and help you do your best under the constrained time conditions.

**Important: Score Booster is not a checklist. Successful Score Booster users work to alter the way they approach the questions using the EMPOWER<sup>g</sup>mat tactics.**

## RESOURCES

-  **Module**
-  **Official Guide Quiz**
-  **Computer Adaptive Test (CAT)**
-  **PDF Summary**

## STAGE 1 - ESSENTIAL QUANT TACTICS & SC

ITEM	TIME	DONE
 <b>Start Here Module</b> Introduction to how the course functions, and what it takes to get a 700+ score	5 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Download &amp; Print PDF Packs</b> Have your concept summaries handy. Print at any time	10 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Quant: Test It, Test The Answers, Data Sufficiency, Number Properties, Triage</b> Learn essential Quant tactics and knowledge. Applies to 2/3 of the Quant section.	11 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Verbal: Sentence Correction</b> Introduction, Parallelism, Modifiers, Idioms, Agreement, Tense, Comparisons, Ws, Efficiency	7.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
  <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate) &amp; Rich's Videos</b> 5 quiz sets in total: Test It, Test The Answers, Data Sufficiency, Number Properties, Triage	7 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
  <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate) &amp; Max's Videos</b> Sentence Correction	1.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Math Skills Clinics</b> Fractions to Decimals	15 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Schedule Official GMAT</b> <a href="http://mba.com">mba.com</a>	15 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Podcast 1</b> GMAT Philosophy	5 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Physical and Psychological Tactics Module</b> Let Rich guide you how to ensure you're at your best on the big day	15 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Warmup #1</b> Get ready for first practice CAT	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>SC Idioms</b> Memorize Idioms A-D	15 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>

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ITEM	TIME	DONE
 <b>Take A CAT</b> Track the degree by which your tactical ability has evolved	4 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>MGMAT CAT 1 Review</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	3 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>

## STAGE 2: ALGEBRA, RC, & CR

ITEM	TIME	DONE
 <b>Quant: Algebra 1 &amp; 2</b> Renew and refine your GMAT Algebra skill	4.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Verbal: How to Read an RC Passage and Reading Comp 1, 2, &amp; 3</b> Review Reading Tactics & the 3 RC Question types for mastery; shore up any weaknesses	6 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
  <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Algebra	2 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
  <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Reading Comp	2 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>SC Idioms</b> Memorize Idioms E-M	20 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Math Skills Clinics</b> Perfect Squares	10 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Podcast 2</b> Triage	10 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Warmup #2</b> If you're spending 4 weeks on score booster, take a CAT now, otherwise proceed to ___	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Take MGMAT CAT 2</b> Take all sections of CAT 2 under fully simulated conditions	4 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>MGMAT CAT 2 Review</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	3 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Quant: Math Rules 1, 2 &amp; 3</b> Learn & master essential GMAT quant math rules	9 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Verbal: Critical Reasoning 1 &amp; 2</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	6 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Verbal Triage</b> Learn how to exploit patterns in Verbal to improve your odds and avoid predictable traps	45 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## STAGE 3: REINFORCEMENT

ITEM	TIME	DONE
 <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Algebra	2 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Critical Reasoning	2 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>SC Idioms</b> Memorize Idioms I-L	15 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Math Skills Clinics</b> Formulas	10 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Warmup #3</b> Get ready for first practice CAT	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Take MGMT CAT 3</b> Take all sections of CAT 3 under fully simulated conditions	4 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>MGMAT CAT 3 Review</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	3 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>

## STAGE 4: FORMULAS, ANSWER MANAGEMENT

 <b>Quant: Math Formulas 1 &amp; 2</b> Learn & master essential GMAT quant math formulas	5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Verbal: Wrong Answer Analysis, Question Identification</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	1.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>AWA Essay</b> Master the AWA Essay with the EMPOWER AWA System	1.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Math Formulas	2 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>OG: 3 OG Quizzes (Basic, Intermediate)</b> Verbal Quizzes	1.5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>SC Idioms Full Review</b> Memorize Idioms K-Z	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Review</b> Review core concepts from earlier in the course to stay sharp	20 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Warmup #4</b> Get ready for first practice CAT	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Physical and Psychological Tactics Module</b> Let Rich guide you how to ensure you're at your best on the big day	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## STAGE 5: FINAL TOUCHES

ITEM	TIME	DONE
 <b>Integrated Reasoning</b> Advice and question review for the new and unimportant section of the GMAT	1 Hour	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>SC Idioms Full Review</b> Memorize Idioms A-Z	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Review</b> Review core concepts from earlier in the course to stay sharp	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Pre-CAT Warmup #4</b> Get ready for first practice CAT	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Take MGMT CAT 4</b> Take all sections of CAT 4 under fully simulated conditions	4 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>MGMAT CAT 4 Review</b> Review the answers and explanations; analyze mistakes to look for things you can improve upon	3 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Final Test Day Advice</b> Prepare for test day with Max & Rich	30 Mins	<input type="checkbox"/>
 <b>Take Your Real GMAT</b> Time to celebrate! Its game day.	4 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/>