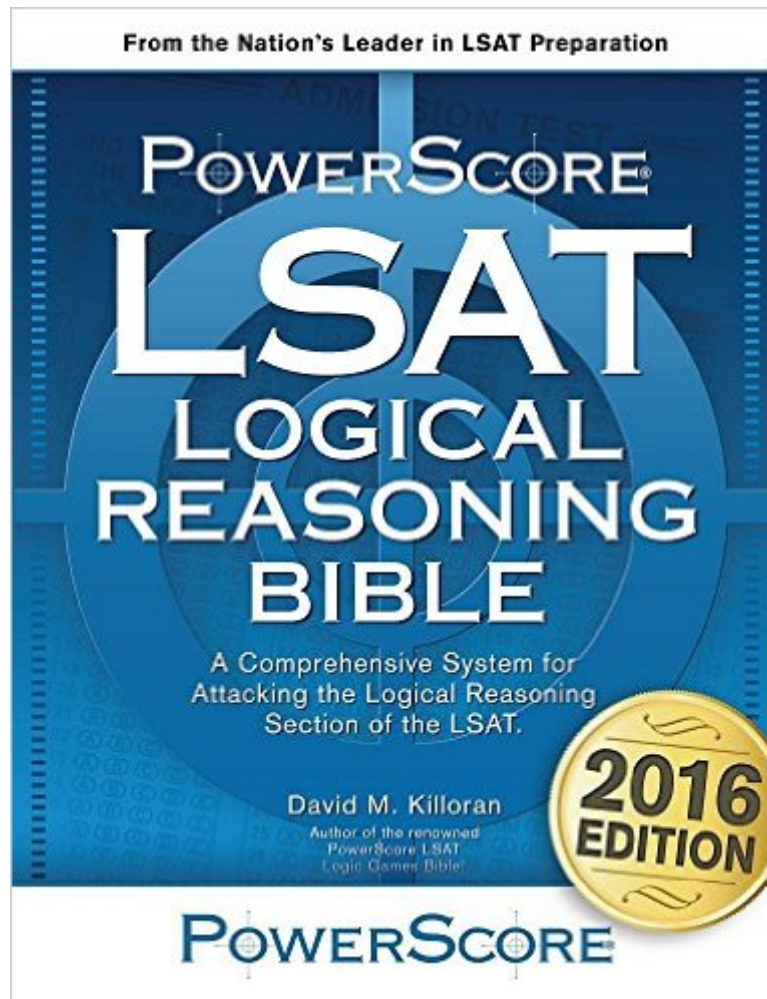


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# The PowerScore LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible



## Synopsis

The PowerScore LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible is the most comprehensive book available for the Logic Reasoning section of the LSAT. This book will provide you with an advanced system for attacking any Logical Reasoning question that you may encounter on the LSAT. The concepts presented in the Logical Reasoning Bible are representative of the techniques covered in PowerScore's live courses and have been consistently proven effective for thousands of our students. The book features and explains a detailed methodology for attacking all aspects of Logic Reasoning problems, including recognizing question types, identifying common reasoning elements and determining their validity, the methods for efficiently and accurately making inferences, and techniques for quickly eliminating answer choices as you solve the questions. Entire chapters are devoted to every currently-tested question type, to section strategy and time management, and to even the most challenging reasoning concepts presented, such as Formal Logic, Conditional Reasoning, and Causality. Another title from PowerScore's Best Selling Standardized Test Preparation Bible Series. The following Logical Reasoning question types are covered in detail: Must Be True Questions Main Point Questions Weaken Questions Strengthen Questions Justify the Conclusion Questions Assumption Questions Resolve the Paradox Questions Method of Reasoning Questions Flaw in the Reasoning Questions Parallel Reasoning Questions Evaluate the Argument Questions Cannot Be True Questions Point at Issue Questions Principle Questions In addition, the Logical Reasoning Bible features over 100 real LSAT Logical Reasoning questions that are used to illustrate and reinforce our techniques. This includes examples for each of the question types referenced above. The two Logical Reasoning sections on the LSAT represent approximately 50% of your final score and are frequently considered to be the most challenging aspect of the test. However, once you understand how to efficiently approach each question type and deconstruct the reasoning presented, the solution to each question can be quickly discovered. Through step-by-step analysis of every reasoning idea that you will encounter, detailed explanations for every answer choice, and extensive drills to enforce every major concept, this book will teach you how to correctly solve even the most complicated Logical Reasoning problems. The Logical Reasoning Bible is also supplemented by a unique website that provides additional materials to complement the book and answer frequently asked student questions. FAQ 1. Does the PowerScore LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible use real LSAT questions? Yes, we believe using real questions is a must for high-level LSAT preparation. The Logical Reasoning Bible features 128 real questions drawn from previously released LSATs. 2. Is the Logical Reasoning Bible just a collection of problems or will it teach me how to understand and solve reasoning questions? The purpose of the Logical

Reasoning Bible is to teach you how to attack and solve every type of Logical Reasoning question that appears on the LSAT. There are extensive explanations of the PowerScore methodology, how-tos on identifying argument structure and inference-making, helpful drills, and of course full explanations to all of the problems in the book. The book features real LSAT questions to help explain our approach and to provide you with practice with applying our techniques.

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## Customer Reviews

The short story is that this book is absolutely incredible, worth every penny, and increased my LR performance from getting 15 wrong every time to getting only four wrong every time. BUY IT, especially before you do any other kind of prep. Give yourself a month to get through it. It gives you concrete methods for how to attack every problem type. The long story: I had a roundabout way of getting to the point where I ordered this book. I took a Kaplan course and hated it. I did all of the homework and dedicated my life to the course for a month straight. It wasn't working. My score went from a 160 on the diagnostic to a 152, then a 154. The 160 diagnostic enabled me to enroll in their advanced course, but the course was completely unhelpful. Kaplan's methods aren't methods; they just say things like "oh, that is out of the scope, so it's wrong". Well, how do I know it's out of the scope? You don't. Or, you could probably figure it out, but that takes tons of time and on the LSAT you don't have tons of time. Kaplan does not give concrete reasons that can be applied to every question of the same type for determining why something is or isn't correct. The course wasn't

working for me or improving my score, so after three weeks (the course was five weeks total), I dropped it. What a waste of over \$1000. I decided to get private tutoring. The tutoring company I used was brilliant for games, but also very expensive and I had already dropped a ton of money on the Kaplan course. I decided I'd look into using a book for LR instead. And I am saying this now to everyone who has not yet started prepping for the LSAT: **BUY THIS BOOK BEFORE YOU TAKE A CLASS OR GET TUTORING OF ANY KIND. GIVE YOURSELF A MONTH WITH THIS BOOK BEFORE YOU DO ANY KIND OF LR PREP WHATSOEVER.** This will save you a ton of money - the book is a **HUGE** bargain and worth every penny. It will also give you an excellent foundation for learning how to do every single kind of problem, and it is likely that you will not have to do any other kind of prep (ie tutoring or a class) once you read this book. You will obviously have to do a lot of practice problems and tests, but you won't need any other kind of instruction as to how to do the problems. The main reason I like this book is it gives you an actual method as to how to do each problem type. My problem wasn't that I didn't understand why the right answer was right, it was that I couldn't finish in time, so I a) had to guess on the last five problems and b) sped up and my accuracy went out the window. By using the methods in this book, I was able to cut down on time for these problems so that I now always finish with at least three minutes to spare. The methods tell you how to look at a problem, what to look for, what is a likely incorrect answer (so that when you see it you can eliminate it very quickly without being tempted), and what a correct answer looks like. The most helpful piece of advice they give is that there is an identifiable and clear correct answer out of each of the choices. By using these methods, I was able to figure out what that answer was quickly, or at least figure out what the wrong answers were quickly. The other thing to be said about this is that it is a long book. It's over 500 pages. **GIVE YOURSELF ENOUGH TIME TO GET THROUGH IT.** Skimming it, or just reading the methods, will not help you. You have to practice them until they become second nature. And you also have to give yourself enough time to actually get through all of the pages. I worked full time while getting through this, and I spent my lunch hour every day working through it, and was able to get through it in just over a month. You can't expect this to work miracles overnight. But if you put in the time, it will help you increase your speed and accuracy without ever having to pay for a course or tutoring. Or, it will at least give you a sense of what kinds of problems you have trouble with, and then you can get the most out of tutoring by being efficient about it and targeting your weak areas. Or even if you don't get tutoring, you will know what kinds to practice. I wasted \$1000 before I picked this wonderful book up. Don't repeat my mistake. Use this as a first line of defense, and see just how far it will get you in your quest for a great LSAT score. Note: I have not gotten my official LSAT score back yet. However, I did finish both

LR sections with time to spare, and in practice exams, I had consistently gotten no more than four wrong on the LR sections in the past five tests i'd taken.

While this book is helpful, I found an online curriculum called 7Sage to be much more helpful. This book seems to miss some fundamental conceptual ideas behind the questions, while focusing too much on "easy" fixes to get you to the right answer. While that might work for the majority of the questions, if you're looking to be a mid-170s scorer, you need that conceptual background to get the curve-breaker questions correct. I got that background in a much easier manner and more quickly through 7Sage, and so I'd honestly recommend that program over buying this book. 7Sage focuses on things like the concepts that link principle and sufficient assumption questions, rather than teaching those in isolation the way this book does.

It's a very simple concept-- you have to study in order to do well on the LSAT. I studied so hard for my first test and still was devastated. I scored a 153. I had been aiming for AT LEAST a 160. After examining my score, I figured out that I missed the most questions in the logical reasoning section. I missed -23 questions on the October LSAT. In response, I bought this book banking on the idea that I could improve my logical reasoning section enough to pull my score up to where I needed. I had 3 weeks to re-prepare myself for the test. 3 weeks. I pushed myself through this book- I'm a very good student- I have a 4.0 GPA and am used to reading a lot. This book is very practical...

Problems! Long story short, I did not finish this book. I might have made it a little over halfway through. That being said, I had already learned everything about logical reasoning for my first LSAT so this was ALL REVIEW. I sat the December LSAT and went from -23 to -12. I also went from -10 to -6 in the reading comp. And -7 to -6 in the logic games. Score went from a 153 to a 163. This book works but you have to put in the hours and work. This can be hard during school or a job. Work hard and it will pay off. NEVER GIVE UP! This test sucks but it can be mastered. Keeping pushing and it will pay off. Promise.

I used all three Powerscore books when studying for the LSAT and this was the best; I also recommend the Logic Games Bible (the Reading Comprehension Bible wasn't as helpful, mainly because I think it's a really hard section to study for). It completely changed (in a good way) the way I did the logical reasoning questions - my scores on practice tests greatly improved. It breaks down each type of question and teaches you how to do them quickly. It takes some time to go through the book but it's totally worth it!

The Powerscore Bibles are the best LSAT prep books out there. If you don't believe me, do a little more research. I read this over and over again before deciding to purchase all three Bibles myself, and after taking the LSAT, I agree that they are excellent. Using nothing but Prep Tests and Powerscore books, I scored in the top 1% on the LSAT. LSAT prep classes are not designed to help you score above 170, and all of the ones that I looked at did not leave sufficient time between the beginning of class and the LSAT. If you can develop your own rigid study schedule and stick to it religiously, then the Powerscore LSAT Bibles are for you. I was able to locate a sample study schedule on the Powerscore website and adapt it to my needs. I also recommend the Powerscore training books, a couple of Powerscore LSAT Deconstructed Series, and lots of official Prep Tests including the most recent ones from LSAC. I purchased the Powerscore Workbooks but did not use them. They may help you if you feel you need additional practice on the concepts covered in the Bibles. My advice is study a minimum 20 hours per week for 3 months, more if you can stand it. You will save a lot of money over taking a class too.

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