

# 2-MONTH LSAT STUDY PLAN USING THE POWERSCORE BIBLES



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# 2-MONTH LSAT STUDY PLAN

## **General Thoughts**

Successfully preparing for the LSAT is about consistency and diligence. Even though the test measures *how* you think and not *what* you know, training yourself to think like the test makers requires time.

Simply put: this isn't a test where cramming proves effective! Instead, your efforts need to be extensive, where you make the most of every study opportunity. For this plan to be effective, you need to dedicate at least 15 hours of test prep time each week (and hopefully much more!).

Two months may seem like a long time, but once you start you'll find that time moves quickly. With this plan and hard work, you have plenty of time to read all three LSAT Bibles and to apply the strategies you learn to our Workbooks and Type Training drills. If you cannot complete all of the assignments in the time given, prioritize your tasks based on your areas of weakness. Attempt additional practice tests (particularly newer exams) if time permits!

## How to Use This Study Plan

Each week's assignments are categorized into one of four types: Logical Reasoning, Logic Games, Reading Comprehension, and Practice Tests. This will give you a good sense of exactly what you need to cover during a particular week. Although we encourage you to complete the tasks in the order given, you may adjust the schedule and content to your own needs as you progress.

To help you prioritize your tasks based on your specific areas of weakness, we have labeled many of the assignments in this plan as "Optional."

- If you are already somewhat strong in one of the areas, say, Reading Comprehension, you can omit the Optional portions of the plan tailored to that section and devote that time to further study in another section.
- If you find that you have room for improvement in, say, Logic Games, consider any "Optional" assignment tailored to that section to be mandatory.

A chart is provided for each week outlining the materials to be used and sections for your notes and progress reports. We strongly encourage you to keep detailed information in order to accurately measure your progress as well as track any uncompleted assignments. Keep notes about:

- exactly what you complete and when
- any elements you don't complete that should be a priority the following week
- your performance and general throughts on each

We also strongly encourage you to create a detailed **LSAT Study Bible** to accompany the notes in this study plan in order to better understand the concepts covered and your progress through the material. *Begin this immediately!* Instructions on exactly how to construct your Study Bible are provided <u>here</u>.

Finally, the coming weeks will undoubtedly test your resolve—both mentally and physically—so it is extremely important that you fully understand the nature of this test and what even incremental improvements mean. This <u>blog post</u> should help to motivate you as you continue to prepare, so give it careful consideration.

## **Recommended Materials**

The plan assumes you have the Recommended Materials listed below and you are encouraged to consider the optional/supplementary materials as well.

#### **Real LSATs from LSAC:**

Official LSAT Prep Plus, a 1 year subscription with access to 70+ full Official LSAT PrepTests

#### **PowerScore Materials:**

- LSAT Bibles: <u>Logic Games Bible</u>, <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>, <u>Reading Comprehension Bible</u>
- LSAT Workbooks: <u>Logic Games Bible Workbook</u>, <u>Logical</u> <u>Reasoning Bible Workbook</u>, <u>Reading Comprehension Bible</u> Workbook
- The PowerScore LSAT <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u>. This tool provides you with a comprehensive performance analysis which will help you determine your strengths and weaknesses. It also includes PowerScore's <u>Logic Game Type</u>, <u>Logical Reasoning Question Type</u>, and <u>Reading Comprehension Passage Type Training</u> drills, which will help to test and reinforce the concepts you study in the LSAT Bibles.



#### **Optional Materials:**

- Advanced Courses: Logic Games and Logical Reasoning
- Our free <u>Self Study site</u> to use our test diagnostic tool for each practice test you take. This is not
  necessary if you have purchased a subscription to our <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u>.

#### Free Resources

#### Webinars and In-Person Seminars

Our free webinars and in-person seminars are a great opportunity to learn from PowerScore's LSAT and admissions experts. Attendees receive special course discounts, so enroll today!

#### The LSAT PodCast

Hosted by our very own Dave Killoran and Jon Denning, the PowerScore LSAT PodCast offers hours of extra instruction. Topics range from specific LSAT concepts and strategies to test changes and LSAC news to admissions advice and frequently-asked student questions. Don't miss an episode!

#### LSAT and Law School Admissions Discussion Forum

Our LSAT Discussion Forum offers you a chance to interact with instructors, other students, and even our course developers and authors in a dynamic, collaborative environment! You can ask questions about everything from test concepts to admissions, and read through thousands of discussions on key techniques and strategies. The Forum provides a wealth of information that's sure to help you out as you prepare!

#### LSAT and Law School Admissions Blog

Our team of Course Developers, including PowerScore Bibles author Dave Killoran, update our blog several times per week with articles discussing LSAT trends, strategy breakdowns, study advice, application recommendations, and much more!



Your first week of study is extremely important. It serves as an introduction to the LSAT itself, and establishes a baseline as you take a timed practice test. Further, you will begin exploring Logical Reasoning, examining concepts such as the Basics of Logical Reasoning, the Question Stem and Answer Choices, Must Be True and Most Strongly Supported questions, Main Point Questions, and Conditional Reasoning. Each of these elements is absolutely critical to a strong Logical Reasoning performance, so be extremely diligent this week as you begin your preparation.

You will have no specific Logic Games or Reading Comprehension Assignments this week.

#### Practice Tests

Start your week by taking a practice LSAT. Before you begin this exam however, read the following information to better understand exactly <u>how you should take a practice test</u>.

We encourage you to begin with an official LSAT. Take PrepTest 73, it's available as a free digital test through <u>LSAC's Official LSAT Prep</u> as well as in our <u>Testing and Analytics Package</u>. Take this exam under the same timed conditions you will face on test day (35 minutes per section unless you have specific accommodations).

This timed test will establish a baseline score, and give you an initial sense of both the test and your natural strengths and weaknesses. Do NOT let the results discourage you! They are in no way indicative of your potential or what your final score will be. It's merely a chance for you to familiarize yourself with the experience of taking a real LSAT under timed (test-day) conditions.

Upon completion of the exam, you'll receive a comprehensive analysis of your performance via our *Testing and Analytics Package Platform*. If you accessed the practice test on LSAC's website, simply transfer your answers into the test scoring tool on our Self Study site to take advantage of its free test analytics. Be sure to save these results and use them to help guide the early stages of your prep.

## Logical Reasoning

- To begin your Logical Reasoning studies, read Chapters One through Four of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>.
   This reading selection takes you from an Introduction and Overview of the LSAT in Chapter One, through discussions of the Logical Reasoning section in general in Chapters Two and Three, and into Must Be True questions in Chapter Four.
- Once you feel comfortable with the first four chapters, read Chapter Six on Conditional Reasoning.
   Conditional Reasoning is a particularly challenging concept for many students, so it is imperative that you spend sufficient time with it, as it will figure heavily in both the Logical Reasoning and Logic Games sections of the LSAT.
- After you finish Chapter Six in the Logical Reasoning Bible, complete the LR Question Type Training drills Must Be True Questions: Volume 1. To find these, log in to your Testing and Analytics Package account and navigate to the Drills Sets page. Scroll down to the Logical Reasoning section and after you locate the appropriate drills, click the Take button to begin. Together, Chapter Six and the drills discuss and test Must Be True/Most Strongly Supported questions, the most common LR question type and a prominent feature in Reading Comprehension as well.
  - Note: as you work through the Must Be True questions in the Type Training drills, you will encounter a number or stimuli featuring Conditional Reasoning.
- Next, read Chapter Five in the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter covers Main Point questions, a common question type in both the Logical Reasoning and Reading Comprehension sections.

• After reading Chapter Five in the Logical Reasoning Bible, return to the Testing and Analytics Drill Sets page, LR section, and take Main Point Questions, V1. These drills will help you develop your skills at recognizing and understanding argumentation.

Week 1 Assignments							
Assignment	Completed? Notes						
PrepTest 73							
LRB Ch1							
LRB Ch2							
LRB Ch3							
LRB Ch4							
LRB Ch6							
LR Drills							
LRB Ch5							
LR Drills							

## Week 2: Seven weeks to the LSAT

This week provides an Introduction to Logic Games, and examines both Basic Linear and Advanced Linear game types. You'll also continue your Logical Reasoning studies with Weaken questions and a comprehensive look at Causality on the LSAT. This week will also provide your first look at Reading Comprehension as you begin to work through the *Reading Comprehension Bible*.

## Logic Games

- First, read Chapter Two of the *Logic Games Bible*. This will serve as your introduction to Logic Games, as you learn about the basics of Analytical Reasoning. Note that you can skip Chapter One of the Games Bible, which is the same general introduction to the test that you encountered in Chapter One of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*.
- Next, read Chapter Three of the *Logic Games Bible*. This chapter discusses Linear Games, one of the most fundamental, and most common, types of Games on the LSAT.
- Upon completion of Chapter Three of the Games Bible, complete the *Logic Games Type Training* drill sets (found in **Testing and Analytics**) named **Basic Linear Games: Volume 1**.
- After you finish Basic Linear Games, work through Chapter Four of the Logic Games Bible. This chapter addresses Advanced Linear Games, a natural extension of Basic Linear Games, and another extremely common game type.
- Your final Games assignment of the week is to complete the LG Type Training drills Advanced Linear
  Games: V1 found in Testing and Analytics. These will reinforce the skills you learned in Chapter Four of
  the LGB.

## Logical Reasoning

- For Logical Reasoning, you should first read Chapter Seven the Logical Reasoning Bible. This chapter
  examines Weaken questions, which constitute the only question type in the Family #3: Hurt category (as
  discussed in Chapter Three).
- Next, work through Chapter Eight of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Chapter Eight covers both basic and advanced Causal Reasoning, a very common type of reasoning on the test (and particularly prevalent in Weaken questions).
- Complete the *Question Type Training* drills in **Weaken Questions: V1** in *Testing and Analytics*, which feature a significant amount of Cause and Effect Reasoning.

## Reading Comprehension

- Begin by reading Chapters Two through Four of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. Skip the section in Chapter Three that Covers argumentation.
- We encourage our students to become active readers of publications and journals the tone and style of
  which closely aligns with passages on the LSAT. This will help you more quickly acclimate to the nature
  of passages created by the test makers. Some examples of worthwhile sources of additional reading
  include: The Economist, Scientific American, The Wall Street Journal or New York Times, and other
  economically-, legally-, or scientifically-oriented texts.

Week 2 Assignments						
Assignment	Completed?	Notes				
LGB Ch2						
LGB Ch3						
LG Drills						
LGB Ch4						
LG Drills						
LRB Ch7						
LRB Ch8						
LR Drills						
RCB Ch2						
RCB Ch3						
RCB Ch4						

# **Feeling Stuck?**

Self-study isn't for everyone. Sometimes you need a little help to get through a tough concept, or to gain those last few points you need for your target school.

#### Work with a Tutor

Many students find that even 5 or 10 hours of targeted personal tutoring can really enhance their self-study. Tutoring packages include comprehensive materials and online resources that are only available to students who take a course or enlist *the help of a tutor*.



#### **Take a Course**

Self-Study students often utilize the <u>On Demand</u> version of our flagship LSAT course when they need expert guidance. This course includes thousands of pages of materials, over 80 hours of on demand lectures and content videos (taught by a top 170+ scoring instructor), and access to our Online Student Center that contains practice tests, scoring feedback, lesson and homework explanations, and much much more. After you pay your initial enrollment fee, just continue your subscription for as many months of online access as you need and cancel at any time when you're done.



## Week 3: Six weeks to the LSAT

This week you will continue examining Logical Reasoning, Logic Games, and Reading Comprehension, so there is a fair amount of diversity. For your practice test this week, give yourself extra time in each section. Having more time to complete the test can provide a unique insight into the areas you need to improve on the most.

## Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapter Nine of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter addresses Strengthen questions, and you will encounter Causality frequently as well (causal reasoning appears in the majority of Strengthen questions).
- Next work through the Testing and Analytics drills in Strengthen Questions: V1, to reinforce your abilities
  as outlined in the Logical Reasoning Bible for this question type.
- Read Chapter Ten of the Logical Reasoning Bible. Here you will examine Justify the Conclusion questions.
- Next, practice the Testing and Analytics drills in Justify Questions: V1
- Read Chapter Eleven of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter introduces Assumption questions, one of the most challenging question types for many test takers. So take your time as you work through the ideas presented to ensure a complete understanding of them.
- Finally, to hone your question type skills for Assumption questions, return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete the drill set **Assumption Questions: V1**.

## Logic Games

- Read Chapter Five of the *Logic Games Bible*. Here you will learn about Grouping Games, one of the most common—and most challenging—game types.
- Finally, complete the **Grouping Games: V1** Game Type Training drill set in Testing and Analytics.

## ■ Reading Comprehension

- Continue your Reading Comprehension studies by working through Chapters Five and Six of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. Here you will encounter many key concepts such as Diagramming and how to best attack the various question types and answer choices.
- Complete the RC Passage Type drills in Testing and Analytics for Law Related: V1 and Regulation: V1.
- Continue to actively read non-LSAT material and publications as recommended previously, and attempt to apply the reading skills discussed in Chapter Two of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*.

#### Practice Tests

• Take PrepTest 74 from the free LSAC Official LSAT Prep program.

Week 3 Assignments							
Assignment	Completed?	Notes					
LRB Ch9							
LR Drills							
LRB Ch10							
LR Drills							
LRB Ch11							
LR Drills							
LGB Ch5							
LG Drills							
RCB Ch5							
RCB Ch6							
RC Drills							
RC Drills							
PrepTest 74							

## Week 4: Five weeks to the LSAT

This week continues your conceptual lessons in all three sections, so stay diligent as you work to complete the assignments. If you are falling behind in the reading, use your time effectively and attempt to get back on schedule by the end of the week.

Take your practice test towards the end of this week. As you transition into the second half of your study plan, the mistakes you make on this test will become an exceptionally valuable diagnostic tool. Use them to identify the types of questions, passages, or games that are costing you points.

## Logical Reasoning

- Begin by reading Chapters Fourteen and Fifteen of the Logical Reasoning Bible. The question types
  discussed—Method of Reasoning and Flaw in the Reasoning—are very closely related, so it is useful to
  pair these two chapters with one another.
- Complete the Logical Reasoning Question Type drill sets Method of Reasoning and Method-AP
   Questions: V1 and Flaw in the Reasoning Questions: V1 in Testing and Analytics to reinforce those
   question types. Together they will make up a significant portion of your LR score, so it is imperative that
   you are comfortable with them prior to test day.
- Read Chapter Sixteen of the Logical Reasoning Bible. This chapter covers Parallel Reasoning questions, which can be extremely time-consuming without the proper approach. These questions also pair nicely with the other two types discussed this week, Method and Flaw.
- Return to Testing and Analytics and complete the Parallel Reasoning and Parallel Flaw: V1 drill set.

## Logic Games

- Once you feel comfortable with the Grouping Games from the previous week, read Chapter Six of the *Logic Games Bible*. Here you will examine Linear/Grouping Combination games, so this is a good opportunity to review both Linear and Grouping concepts.
- Upon completion of Chapter Six in the LGB, return to *Testing and Analytics* and work through **Grouping/Linear Combination Games: V1.**

## Reading Comprehension

- Work through Chapter Seven of the *Reading Comprehension Bible*. This is a summary chapter where all of the ideas you have seen so far get incorporated into a single, overarching approach.
- Next, go back to Testing and Analytics to practice some Passage Type Training by completing the first half
  of the Reading Comprehension drill sets called Humanities: Volume 1, ending with PT 12, October 1994,
  Passage #1: Modern Architecture, Questions 1-7.

#### Practice Tests

• Take *PrepTest 79* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

Week 4 Assignments								
Assignment	Completed?	Notes						
LRB Ch14								
LR Drills								
LRB Ch15								
LR Drills								
LRB Ch16								
LR Drills								
LGB Ch6								
LG Drills								
RCB Ch7								
RC Drills								
PrepTest 79								

## Week 5: Four weeks to the LSAT

At this point you should have completed all of the assigned tasks for the first four weeks. If you are still behind, prioritize any missed work and attempt to get caught up. This is another work-intensive week, so prepare yourself to devote a sufficient amount of time to your studies. You will also need to take two practice tests under normal testing conditions, so plan accordingly. If possible, make the practice tests the final task of the week.

## Logic Games

- Read Chapter Seven of the *Logic Games Bible*. This chapter covers the first in a set of less common game types, Pure Sequencing games.
- Practice creating sequencing diagrams by working through the LG Type Training drills Pure Sequencing
   Games: V1 in Testing and Analytics.
- Read Chapter Eight of the *Logic Games Bible*. This chapter covers the remainder of the less common game types, such as Pattern, Circular, and Mapping games. Again, if you are behind or still struggling to master earlier types such as Linear and Grouping games, make those more fundamental concepts a priority before moving on.
- Now work your way through the **Forgotten Few Games** drills set in the *Testing and Analytics Package*.

## Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapter Twelve of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will see Resolve the Paradox questions, the final question type in the Family #2: Help category.
- After you work through Chapter Twelve of the LRB, return to *Testing and Analytics* and complete the **Resolve the Paradox: V1** LR *Question Type* drill set.
- Next, work through Chapter Thirteen of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will see Formal Logic, a rare, but challenging concept with which many test takers struggle. However, if you are falling behind in your studies, you can save this assignment for later, as Formal Logic is quite uncommon (1-2 questions per LSAT, typically) and your time may be better spent elsewhere.
- Once you have completed the chapter on Formal Logic in the Reasoning Bible, work through Formal
   Logic: V1 in Testing and Analytics to reinforce your skills.

## **■** Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Eight of the Reading Comprehension Bible. This chapter addresses Comparative Reading
  Passages and thus is vitally important to fully understand, as approximately one-fourth of your Reading
  Comprehension score is based on the Comparative Reading passage set.
- In *Testing and Analytics*, complete the second half of the Reading Comprehension *Passage Type* drill sets **Humanities: V1**.
- Complete the first half of Chapter One: Practice Drills in the Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook, beginning with the Active Reading Drill and stopping after the VIEWSTAMP Analysis: Main Point Identification Drill. Note that this can be skipped if you are feeling comfortable with your Reading Comprehension performance at this point.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 80 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take PrepTest 81 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

Week 5 Assignments						
Assignment	Completed?	Notes				
LGB Ch7						
LG Drills						
LGB Ch8						
LG Drills						
LRB Ch12						
LR Drills						
LRB Ch13						
LR Drills						
RCB Ch8						
RC Drills						
RCBW Ch1 Part 1						
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PrepTest 80						
PrepTest 81						

## Week 6: Three weeks to the LSAT

This week, and all of the weeks to come, will continue requiring you to take timed practice tests. Plan accordingly. You should spend several hours reviewing your performance on each practice test.

## Logic Games

- Complete Chapters Nine and Ten of the *Logic Games Bible*. As you work through these chapters you will encounter the advanced ideas of Numerical Distributions and Limited Solution Set games. Nearly one-third of all games that appear on the LSAT will have at least one of these features (many games have both), so learn them well. Often, your ability to spot a numerical distribution or a limited solution set will be the difference between success and failure in the games section.
  - There is also a lengthy discussion on overall section strategy that should help you better understand how to put all of the skills you have learned into practice. You've now reached the end of the conceptual discussions in the *Logic Games Bible*.
- Return to Testing and Analytics and complete the drills in Advanced Features and Techniques Games:
   V1, where you will work through a large collection of games exhibiting these attributes as covered in the Logic Games Bible. Once you have completed these drills you will have finished Game Type Training.
- Complete Chapter One of the Logic Games Bible Workbook.

## Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapters Eighteen through Twenty in the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. These three chapters cover the remaining LR question types, each of which appears infrequently. Of these types, focus primarily on Point at Issue, which is the most common of the three.
  - Once complete, all that is left in Logical Reasoning is a discussion of Numbers and Percentages, and Principle questions (not distinct "types" per se, but rather commonly-featured ideas), and a final analysis of Section Strategy and Time Management.
- After each chapter, work through the relevant Volume1 LR drill sets in Testing and Analytics (Evaluate the
  Argument, Cannot Be True, and Point at Issue/Point of Agreement Questions). If you are short on time,
  focus mainly on the Point at Issue drills.
- Complete Chapter One of the Logical Reasoning Bible Workbook.

## ■ Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Nine of the *Reading Comprehension Bible,* on Common Passage Themes.
- Complete the rest of Chapter One: Practice Drills in the Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook.
- Complete the RC Passage Type drills in Testing and Analytics for Social Science: V1 and Hard Science:
   V1. Hard Science is the most difficult passage type for most test takers, so take your time as you work through the drills to ensure full understanding.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 82 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take *PrepTest 83.* under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

Week 6 Assignments						
Assignment	Completed?	Notes				
LGB Ch9						
LGB Ch10						
LG Drills						
LGBW Ch1						
	1					
LRB Ch18						
LR Drills						
LRB Ch19						
LR Drills						
LRB Ch20						
LR Drills						
LRBW Ch1						
	Ī					
RCB Ch9						
RCBW Ch1 Part 2						
RC Drills						
RC Drills						
	I .					
PrepTest 82						
PrepTest 83						

## Week 7: Two weeks to the LSAT

At this point you have completed nearly all of the conceptual material in the Bibles, so the majority of your time in these last two weeks will be spent on timed practice tests. The goal then is to work through as many tests as possible—again, always under timed conditions—in order to fully acclimate yourself to the rigors of test day.

Each of these practice exams must be thoroughly reviewed as you consider your evolving strengths and weaknesses. You can then return to any/all relevant conceptual discussions in the LSAT Bibles to address areas in which you are still struggling.

These weeks are about refinement much more than building a knowledge base, so let that be your primary objective. Identify your weaknesses in each section, and systematically eliminate them!

## Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapter Seventeen of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will find a discussion of Numbers and Percentages, a common and often difficult idea present in many types of Logical Reasoning questions.
- To help tackle this increasingly common type of evidence in Logical Reasoning question, complete the **Numbers and Percentages Questions: V1** *Testing and Analytics* drills.
- Read Chapter Twenty-One of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. This chapter covers Principle Questions, which, like Numbers and Percentages (and Conditional and Causal Reasoning) are not distinct "types" per se, but rather commonly-featured ideas.
- Next, work through the **Principle Questions: V1** drills in *Testing and Analytics*.

## Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Ten of the Reading Comprehension Bible. This discussion of Section Strategy and Time
  Management will give you some final considerations for test day, and take you to the end of the Reading
  Bible's conceptual analyses.
- Continue in *Testing and Analytics* and complete the **Diversity I**, **II**, and **III: V1** RC *Passage Type* drill sets. You will notice that you are working through the chapters in non-sequential order; this is intentional to best reinforce the skills discussed in the *Reading Comprehension Bible*.
- Time permitting, complete the individual passages in Chapter Two of the *Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook*, and carefully review the detailed analysis given for each.

#### **Practice Tests**

- Take PrepTest 84 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take PrepTest 85 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take PrepTest 86 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

Week 7 Assignments							
Assignment	Completed?	Notes					
LRB Ch17							
LR Drills							
LRB Ch21							
LR Drills							
RCB Ch10							
RC Dills I							
RC Dills II							
RC Dills III							
RCBW Ch2							
PrepTest 84							
PrepTest 85							
PrepTest 86							

## Week 8: One week to the LSAT

This week is about both conceptual and mental preparation. You should plan to take 2-3 practice tests as outlined below, allowing ample time for review, however be sure that you do not attempt a test the day before the exam. Focus in particular on building your confidence and visualizing a strong performance on test day—how you expect to perform will likely become reality.

## Logical Reasoning

 Read Chapter Twenty-Two of the Logical Reasoning Bible. This final chapter presents a detailed discussion of Section Strategy and Time Management, which should correspond closely to similar closing chapters in the Logic Games Bible and Reading Comprehension Bible. This will also take you to the end of this book.

As always, be sure to return to it as you continue to take tests and identify areas of weakness, even during your final week. For instance, if you find that a particular question type or idea is still consistently giving you trouble, use the Reasoning Bible to review that concept/type and attempt to eliminate any remaining difficulties. It's not too late to still make improvements!

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 87 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take PrepTest 88 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.
- Take PrepTest 89 under normal testing conditions. Make sure to include breaks.

## Logic Games

• If Games continue to trouble you, complete Chapter Two of the Logic Games Bible Workbook. Do each game as a timed exercise, but know that you will have encountered some of the games previously. This is not a problem—reviewing games multiple times is quite beneficial.

#### Other

During the final stretch to your test, you should make sure that you are as mentally prepared as possible for the pressures of test day. To help you reach a state of pure mental confidence and balance, we've compiled a list of some of our favorite LSAT mentality resources. Set aside some time before the test to think about how you will approach the LSAT when it begins and especially how you will react if you encounter any difficulties. It's an essential step, and one that can dramatically impact your score. Although all of these articles are important, we strongly recommend you watch the Test Mentality webinar and follow the specific recommendations in that discussion.

#### The Ultimate Test Mentality Resource List

The final weeks before test day require a different strategy. We have some articles on our <u>Last Minute LSAT</u> <u>Advice</u> page that you might find helpful, including a discussion of <u>final week prep</u> and the difference between LSAT <u>Cancellations</u>, <u>Withdrawals</u>, <u>and Absences</u> if you're having cold feet.

There are several worthwhile articles discussing important issues beyond strategies and mental preparation, such as the logistics of test day itself, and how to prepare yourself for the test with proper diet and nutrition:

What to Do the Day Before and Morning of the LSAT

Thought for Food: Eating Your Way to a 180 on the LSAT

Finally, on the day before the LSAT, relax! Do something that makes you happy and don't worry about the LSAT (assuming you know where your testing center is or your room is prepared for the ProctorU virtual proctor system). It is imperative that you are fully rested before the exam, so avoid any strenuous activities, whether physical or mental. So don't run a half-marathon, and don't attempt any full practice tests!

Week 8 Assignments							
Assignment	Completed?	Notes					
LRB Ch22							
PrepTest 87							
PrepTest 88							
PrepTest 89							
LGBW Ch2							
Test Mentality							

## After the LSAT:

There are a number of questions that most test takers begin to ponder post-LSAT. Three of the most common are given below, along with comprehensive explanations of each:

1. Can I determine the experimental section, and what exactly do I need to know about it?

Answers: <u>The Experimental Section Explained</u> and <u>3 Myths About the Experimental Section</u>

2. Should I keep or cancel my score, and what are the consequences of canceling?

Answers: <u>LSAT Cancellations</u>, <u>Withdrawals</u>, <u>and Absences: What's the Difference?</u>, <u>Should You Cancel Your LSAT Score?</u>, and <u>How Do Law Schools View Multiple LSAT Scores?</u>

3. Is retaking the LSAT worth it, and what can I expect for my next attempt?

Answer: Should You Retake the LSAT?

If you have any specific questions about your test, you can always head over to our <u>LSAT Forum</u> where we typically have discussions ongoing about all LSAT administrations between other test takers and our LSAT experts.

## **LSAT Writing:**

Your LSAT is not complete until you've submitted a writing sample. You can wait up to a year, but you won't receive a score and your file won't be complete until you do so. Since you're in LSAT mode, we recommend that you get it out of the way quickly! In this article we dissect LSAT Writing piece by piece, from the General Directions to the specific Essay Directions to the details of an actual sample, and give you the tools to craft an essay that any admissions board would be pleased to receive. You don't want to miss this resource.

The Ultimate Guide to LSAT Writing

#### A Final Note:

We at PowerScore want to thank you for choosing us as your test preparation provider, and trusting us to help you reach your full potential on the LSAT. Our hope is that your performance exceeds your expectations and that this Study Guide and accompanying resources are fully sufficient for your particular needs. However please do not hesitate to contact us with additional questions or concerns, or to inquire about the other services we offer! Above all else we want to see our students reach their goals, and we'll do all that we can to ensure that occurs for you.

Finally, feel encouraged to share this study plan with friends, colleagues, or anyone else you may encounter who is studying for the LSAT! It's a powerful resource and we're confident others will benefit from it as you hopefully have.

Thanks again, and best of luck in law school!

## **Logical Reasoning Problem Tracker**

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Logical Reasoning questions. Note the location of the question (for example: PT23, Sec 2, #6), the type of question (for example: Assumption), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: missed the word "not" in D). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

Question Location	Question Type	Question #/ Page #	Correct Answer	I Chose	What Happened?

## **Logic Games Problem Tracker**

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Logic Games questions. Note the location of the game (for example: PT38, G3, #17), the type of question (for example: Could Be True), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: chose B which was a Could be True answer). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

Game/Ques- tion Location	Game Type	Game #/ Page #	Correct Answer	I Chose	What Happened?

## **Reading Comprehension Problem Tracker**

Use the following sheet to track any difficulties that you have with Reading Comprehension questions. Note the location of the passage (for example: PT44, P1, #4), the type of question (for example: Must, AP), the correct answer, the answer you chose, and what happened (for example: answer choice A is the critic's viewpoint, not the author's). On occasion, return to this page and examine your mistakes for patterns, then spend additional time working to correct those issues.

Passage/Ques- tion Location	Passage Type	Passage #/ Page #	Correct Answer	I Chose	What Happened?
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