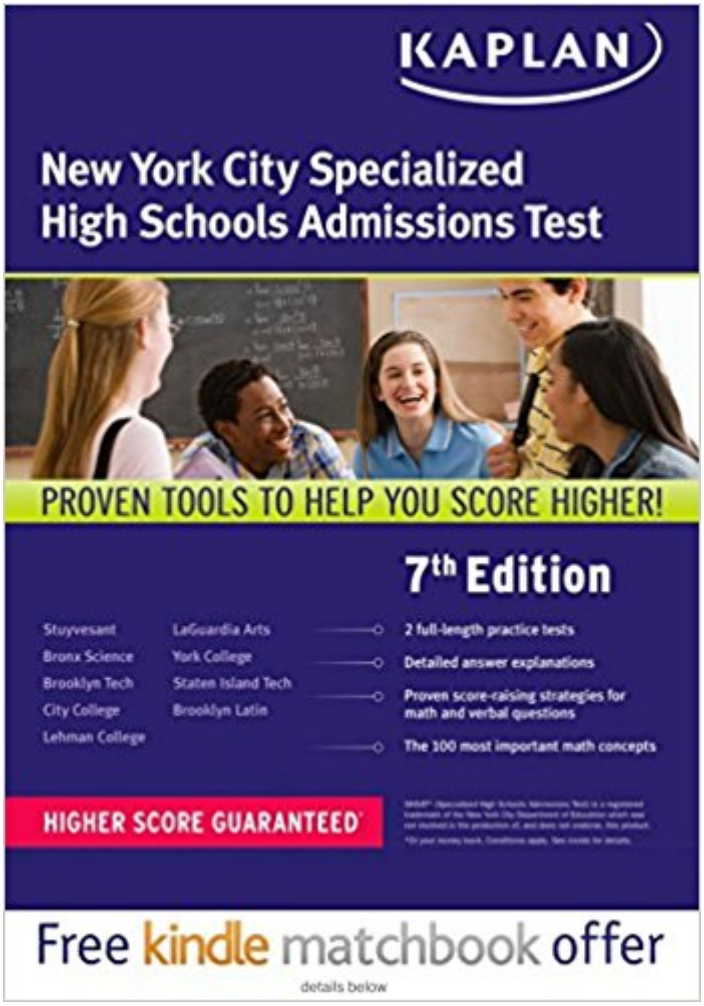
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Answer to what you want to know: yes, it worked for us!My (highly motivated) daughter used this book to help her prep for the SHSAT test and passed the test with flying colors, getting into her first choice of schools in NYC. We did complement this book with some basic test-prep at school, but even they were just using pages from this book.How did she prepare? She worked through the practice problems in the front of this book, and learned how to tackle each type of test question. She spent extra time on the ones she felt least comfortable at. Then she did a few of the practice tests in the back of the book, which were VERY similar to the actual SHSAT test she took a few months later.The SHSAT test is a weird test. It CAN be learned. Even the smartest kid, faced with with this test without preparation, will not do THAT well on it. The question types are strange and can be learned and practice will make a smart kid better at them.I would not say that a below average student could use this book and suddenly pass the test, but a smart kid could use this book to get that all-important high test score to get into a specialized school. Consider it like putting good fuel into a sports car- it will enhance the performance.We also used the Barron’s test prep book which was equally good.So maybe a good approach for a self-motivated young student is to use this Kaplan book, the Barron’s book, and perhaps some light test prep course in addition. But honestly, if the student used just the two books and went through them completely, the test prep would be unnecessary.

The suggestions on how to answer questions give new information over and above what's given in the other most popular book for the SHSAT, which is Barron's. From what I hear, Barron's is the most trustworthy of the books, so I think that Kaplan does have something to add to the mix. Get both this and Barron's. I really can't vouch for any other SHSAT book (although give me time, there may be another one I find that's helpful). Arguably the single most indispensable practice test, however, is what's posted by the NYC DoE, and is accessible free of charge, which is a sample test (there may even be two of them online). Still, it's just a practice test, and doesn't have strategic suggestions on how to tackle this test.

This book has great logical reasoning, scrambled paragraphs, and reading comprehension sections. The explanations are very detailed. Also, the scrambled paragraphs are very challenging, and there's about 15 or so of them inside this book. Reading comprehension is good as always from Kaplan. Logical reasoning is on par with the reading comprehension with visual explanations. Now, math is where this book is seriously lacking. The math questions are far too easy, and may not be fully beneficial for the actual test. I was not challenged once when I took the math practice tests. I also believe there were some errors in the book.Overall, this book lived up to my expectations everywhere expect the math section.

I'm a test prep tutor and this is the book I like to start students with. Too much BS in this book - too many descriptions and too much Kaplan-speak. But the questions are well written. I wish there were more questions. There aren't enough of the types that are difficult for students, like the coding questions or the scrambled paragraphs. I supplement this text with other texts - there's a book of pure tests, a book just on the scrambled paragraph, etc.This is a good starter book, but it isn't going to get you into Sty or Science by itself though.

I got this for my little sister and I've seen A LOT of improvement. She's done a few of the activities and been studying about 30-45 minutes daily for about two weeks now. This is a must have for students that can read a lot. This book isn't for all students. It's for students that can read and comprehend a lot of material.

I'm 13, about to take the SHSAT this October. My mom ordered this book for me. Although I hated it, spending most of my time doing math and ELA, I have to admit this was a very helpful workbook.

I would recommend other parents to buy this SHSAT workbook for their kids.

This book is amazing it really is very helpful and i like how it has different parts of it for the math and verbal nd provides enough practice for each part too. It even has the math concepts in the back for me to learn the math lessons nd basics thats gunna be in the test

i felt like i would have done better if i just studied notes instead of reveiwing thi sgarbage but i did help me get basic material down so i give it 3 starrs

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