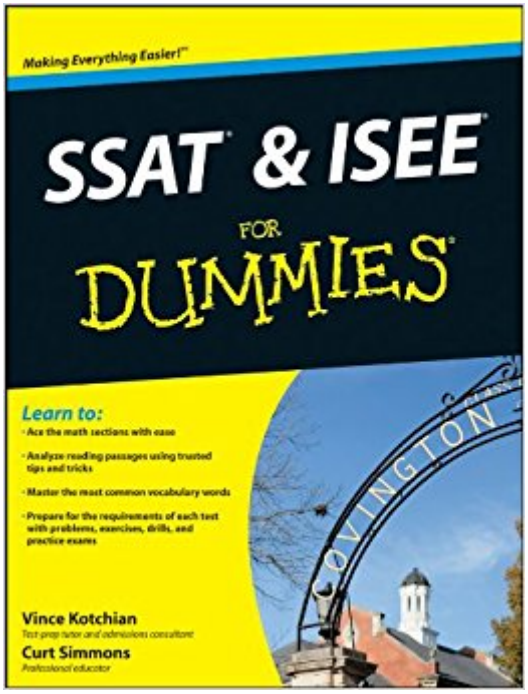
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Vince Kotchian is an elite test-prep tutor and admissions consultant who has helped hundreds of students get into the schools of their choice. Curt Simmons is a professional educator and freelance writer who has authored several test-prep titles on a variety of topics, including many For Dummies titles.

Got the kindle version. It was crap. Specifically, it didn't help that diagrams related to problem verbiage were not on the same kindle "page". Additionally, would be lovely to have comprehension paragraph and questions in the same view. My daughter had to flip back and forth. Incredibly frustrating. Maybe the book version is better.

Not enough tests are included

We purchased both this book and The Princeton Review 2014 Cracking the SSAT & ISEE and used both books to prepare for the ISEE Upper Level test. The Dummies book was significantly better, with more challenging sample test and prep questions as well as detailed answers. The Dummies book was more true to the actual exam.

Very easy to read, use and practice. The definitions, the vocabulary, the how-to's make it possible for a middle school student to use this with me in preparation to take the test in the Fall in order to qualify for the private school the students is interested in. I would recommend this to anyone needing to prepare for the middle or upper schools that require this exam.

All SSAT 2013 text books that I know of, including this one, are out-of-date as some changes were made to the SSAT in 2012. There is now an Elementary (for 3rd and 4th graders), Middle, and Upper Level SSAT. (There used to only be 2 levels: Lower and Upper). These SSAT/ISEE texts cover what is now considered the Middle and Upper Level SSAT (though they call them Lower and Upper). Additionally, their SSAT writing sample questions are out-of-date as the SSAT now uses creative prompts.Check out SSATpracticetest.com for up-to-date, full-length Elementary, Middle, and Upper level practice tests.8/22/13: I also agree that some of the verbal ISEE content in here is far more challenging than I expect on the real ISEE. Also the UL ISEE essay topic is ACT-like - not a good representation of to expect on the ISEE. I also found a strange repetition of really difficult vocabulary words throughout the UL ISEE Verbal Reasoning section and some glaring errors in the answer key. (I admit I've found glaring errors in our own practice tests but when I have, I've fixed them! :-) ISEEpracticetest.com)

Hits the areas of testing, boils the concepts down and provides tips for testing.

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Great review guide!

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