

# **3-MONTH** LSAT<sup>®</sup> STUDY PLAN



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# **3-MONTH STUDY PLAN:**

# Preface

Although our book websites contain general study plans, this guide provides a substantially more detailed plan for someone starting about 12 weeks out from the LSAT. The plan assumes you have the Recommended Materials listed below (the Real PrepTests as well as the PowerScore publications), and you are encouraged to consider the optional/supplementary materials as well.

# **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 and spend at least ten hours of dedicated time preparing each week (and hopefully much more!).

Three months may seem like a long time, but once you get started you'll find that time moves quickly and test day is here before you know it. So we expect that you're prepared to work hard, and to be incredibly thorough as you follow the assignments provided. With this plan and some hard work, you have more than enough time to read all three LSAT Bibles, and to apply the strategies you learn there to our Type Training guides and Workbooks, as well. We also outline a number of practice tests for you to take. If you find that you cannot complete all of the assignments in the time given, be sure to prioritize your tasks based on your specific areas of weakness and where you feel you have the greatest opportunity to gain points. And we encourage you to attempt additional practice tests (particularly recently-administered exams) if time permits!

Naturally, if you are already extremely strong in one of the areas—say, Reading Comprehension—you can omit portions of the plan tailored to that section and devote that time to further study in another section. Similarly, if you find that you still have room for improvement upon completion of the required material for a given section, our Advanced Courses—Logic Games and Logical Reasoning—and private tutoring are both worthwhile considerations.

Each of the twelve weeks in this study schedule provides a list of recommended tasks—from reading specific chapters, to completing workbook and training type sections, to taking timed practice tests—and should generally be completed in the order given. However, as mentioned, elements can be adjusted as needed to accommodate variations in your day-to-day commitments and your unique skill set as you get closer to test day.

You will notice that 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 is to be covered during a particular week, and allow you to better adjust the schedule and content to your own needs as you progress.

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 about exactly what was completed and when, any elements left uncompleted that should be a priority the following week, and your performance and general thoughts on each. These notes will allow you to more accurately measure your progress as well as track any uncompleted assignments.

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 here: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/creating-an-lsat-study-bible</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 blog post: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/lsat-motivation-the-scoring-scale-and-your-percentile</u> should help to motivate you as you continue to prepare, so give it careful consideration.

Let's get started!

#### **Recommended Materials**

#### Real LSATs from LSAC

- June 2007 LSAT, a free download from LSAC here
- PrepTest A, PrepTest B, and PrepTest C, found in the LSAT SuperPrep
- PrepTests 52-61, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>
- PrepTests 62-71, found in the <u>10 Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V</u>
- Individual PrepTests 72-77

#### **PowerScore Publications**

- LSAT Bibles: Logic Games Bible, Logical Reasoning Bible, and Reading Comprehension Bible
- LSAT Training Type Collections: Game Type Training, Logical Reasoning Question Type Training, and Reading Comprehension Passage Type Training
- LSAT Workbooks: Logic Games Bible Workbook, Logical Reasoning Bible Workbook, and Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook

#### **Optional Materials**

- *PowerScore's LSAT Deconstructed Series*, particularly the Decons containing explanations for any/all recommended tests below.
- Advanced Courses: Logic Games and Logical Reasoning









### Week 1: Twelve weeks to the LSAT

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 (which accounts for 50% of your overall score), 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.

#### Practice Tests

- Start your week by taking a timed practice LSAT. Before you begin this exam however, read the following
  information to better understand exactly how you should self-administer this practice test: <u>http://blog.</u>
  powerscore.com/lsat/the-ultimate-powerscore-practice-lsat-resource-list
- We encourage you to begin with the June 2007 LSAT, which is available as a free download from LSAC <u>here</u>. Be sure to take this exam under timed conditions, and be diligent and honest in your timing. If you wish, you can use the free test proctor in our <u>Free LSAT Help Area</u> to time yourself.

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 four-section LSAT under timed (test-day) conditions.

• Upon completion of the exam, it is essential that you score and review your performance using the <u>Free Test Scoring Area</u>. The Test Scoring Area will help you identify your strengths and weaknesses, information you can then use to help you shape your studies.

Note: you do not need to add an experimental section to this exam! Just take all four 35-minute sections in a row, without a break. We'll let you know when to add experimental sections as you get closer to your test date.

#### Logical Reasoning

- After scoring and reviewing your practice test, watch the free Lesson One—Logical Reasoning videos from our Live Online course, titled "Lesson 1 Preview: Logical Reasoning Overview" and "Lesson 1 Preview: Must Be True Questions". These two videos are approximately two hours long in total and will give you an excellent introduction to Logical Reasoning as well as Must Be True questions, presented by one of our Senior Instructors.
- To continue your initial Logical Reasoning studies, you should read Chapters One through Four of the <u>LSAT 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 <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible</u>, complete Chapter Two in <u>LSAT Logical</u> <u>Reasoning: Question Type Training</u>. These chapters discuss 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, you will encounter a number of 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 you read Chapter Five in the <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible</u>, complete Chapter Three in <u>LSAT Logical</u> <u>Reasoning: Question Type Training</u>. This chapter addresses Main Point questions, and will help you better develop your skills at recognizing and understanding argumentation.

#### Logic Games

• You have no specific Logic Games assignments for this week.

#### Reading Comprehension

• You have no specific Reading Comprehension assignments for this week.

Week 1 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
J2007 LSAT		
L1 LR Video		
LRB Ch1		
LRB Ch2		
LRB Ch3		
LRB Ch4		
LRB Ch6		
LRTT Ch2		
LRB Ch5		
LRTT Ch3		

# Week 2: Eleven weeks to the LSAT

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This week provides an Introduction to Logic Games, and examines both Basic Linear and Advanced Linear game types. You will also continue your Logical Reasoning studies with Weaken questions and a comprehensive look at Causality on the LSAT.

#### Logic Games

- First, read Chapter Two of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. 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 *LSAT 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 Chapter Two of <u>LSAT Game Type</u> <u>Training</u>, which contains Basic Linear Games.
- After you are finished with Basic Linear Games in the Game Type Training, work through Chapter Four of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. 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 Chapter Three of <u>LSAT Game Type Training</u>. Here you will encounter a number of Advanced Linear Games to reinforce the skills you learned in Chapter Four of the LGB.

#### Logical Reasoning

- For Logical Reasoning, you should first read Chapter Seven of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. This chapter examines Weaken questions, which constitute the only question type in the Family #3: Hurt category (as discussed in an earlier chapter).
- Next, work through Chapter Eight of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. Chapter Eight covers both basic and advanced Causal Reasoning, a very common type of reasoning on the test (and particularly prevalent in Weaken questions).
- Finally, complete Chapter Four of <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training</u>. This chapter specifically addresses Weaken questions, and thus features a significant amount of Cause and Effect Reasoning as well.

#### Reading Comprehension

• You have no specific Reading Comprehension assignments for this week.

#### Practice Tests

• You have no specific Practice Test assignments for this week.

Week 2 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
LGB Ch2		
LGB Ch3		
LGTT Ch2		
LGB Ch4		
LGTT Ch3		
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LRB Ch7		
LRB Ch8		
LRTT Ch4		

# Week 3: Ten weeks to the LSAT



This week will provide your first look at Reading Comprehension, as you begin to work through the Reading Comprehension Bible. You will also continue examining both Logical Reasoning and Logic Games, so there is a fair amount of diversity involved. It's still too soon for full Practice Tests; focus instead of mastering the concepts discussed for each section.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Begin by reading Chapters Two through Four of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u>. Skip the section in Chapter Three that covers argumentation. Note that you can also skip Chapter One, as that is an overview of the test that you have already encountered.
- We also 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.

#### 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, complete Chapter Five of <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training</u>. This will give you an opportunity to reinforce your Strengthen abilities as outlined in the Logical Reasoning Bible.
- Read Chapter Ten of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. Here you will examine Justify the Conclusion questions.
- Next, complete Chapter Six of *LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training* to hone your Justify skills.

#### Logic Games

- Read Chapter Five of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. Here you will learn about Grouping Games, one of the most common—and most challenging—game types.
- Finally, complete Chapter Four of *LSAT Game Type Training*.

#### Practice Tests

• You have no specific Practice Test assignments for this week.

Week 3 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
RCB Ch2		
RCB Ch3		
RCB Ch4		
LRB Ch9		
LRTT Ch5		
LRB Ch10		
LRTT Ch6		
LGB Ch5		
LGTT Ch4		

# Week 4: Nine weeks to the LSAT



This is a bit of a lighter week, in order to let some of the ideas settle in. But DO NOT get complacent! This is also an opportunity for you to get back on schedule if you have fallen behind in previous weeks, so use your time effectively. This week will also require you to take two untimed practice tests, which can provide unique insight into the areas you still need to improve on.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Continue your Reading Comprehension studies by working through Chapters Five, Six, and Seven of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u>. Here you will encounter many key concepts such as Diagramming and how to best attack the various question types and answer choices. Finally, you will work through a summary chapter where all of the ideas you have seen so far get incorporated into a single, overarching approach.
- Next, complete the first half of Chapter Nine in LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training.

#### Logical Reasoning

- 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.
- Next, complete Chapter Seven of <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training</u> to hone your Assumption skills.

#### Logic Games

- Once you feel comfortable with the Grouping Games from the previous week, read Chapter Six of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. Here you will examine Linear/Grouping Combination games, so this is a good opportunity to review both Linear and Grouping concepts.
- Finally, complete Chapter Five of *LSAT Game Type Training*.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 55, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as an untimed exercise. Untimed practice tests can help isolate specific concepts and paradigms you may be struggling with, such as conditional reasoning, causality, grouping games, etc. When speed is taken out of the equation, rushing or guessing should play no role in determining your score, and any mistakes you make will likely result from a conceptual misunderstanding of the material being tested. Use them to your advantage!
- Take PrepTest 56, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as the second untimed exercise this week.

Week 4 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
RCB Ch5		
RCB Ch6		
RCB Ch7		
RCTT Ch9		
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LRB Ch11		
LRTT Ch7		
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LGB Ch6		
LGTT Ch5		
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PrepTest 55		
PrepTest 56		
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# Week 5: Eight 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 a work-intensive week, so prepare yourself to devote a sufficient amount of time to your studies. This week will also require you to take two full, timed practice tests, so plan accordingly: you will need a block of at least 3 hours to work through each test. If possible, make the practice tests the final task for the week.

#### Logic Games

- Read Chapter Seven of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. This chapters covers the first in a set of less common game types, Pure Sequencing games.
- Complete Chapters Six of *LSAT Game Type Training*.
- Read Chapter Eight of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. 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.
- Complete Chapter Seven of *LSAT Game Type Training*.

#### 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.
- Next, work through Chapter Eight of LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training.
- Read Chapter Thirteen of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. 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 Chapter Nineteen of *LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training* to reinforce your skills.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Eight of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u>. 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.
- Complete the second half of Chapter Nine in *LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training*.
- You may also complete the first half of Chapter One: Practice Drills in the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension</u> <u>Bible Workbook</u>, 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.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest A from the <u>SuperPrep</u> as a timed exercise. Thereafter, review your performance and read the question explanations in the <u>SuperPrep</u>. They are by no means the best possible explanations (the test makers don't want to give away too much in terms of strategy explanations), but they give you a sense of the things that the test makers identify as important when they analyze questions.
- Take PrepTest 57, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as a timed exercise. Use Section 1 from PrepTest 52 as an experimental section. You may refer back to our guide on How To Take LSAT Practice Tests if you need clarification: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/331457/The-Ideal-Way-to-Take-an-LSAT-Practice-Test</u>

Week 5 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
LGB Ch7		
LGTT Ch6		
LGB Ch8		
LGTT Ch7		
LRB Ch12		
LRTT Ch8		
LRB Ch13		
LRTT Ch19		
RCB Ch8		
RCTT Ch9		
RCBW Ch1		
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SuperPrep A		
PrepTest 57		

# Week 6: Seven weeks to the LSAT

This week will continue requiring you to take practice tests; however, you will gradually begin adding experimental sections into the original four-section exams. So again, plan accordingly: you will need up to 4 hours of uninterrupted time to complete the tests, and you should spend several hours reviewing your performance on each as well.

#### Logic Games

• Read Chapters Nine and Ten of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u>. 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.

- Complete Chapter Eight of <u>LSAT Game Type Training</u>. Here you will work through a large collection of games exhibiting the Advanced Features covered in the Logic Games Bible. Once you finish this chapter you will have completed the Game Type Training book.
- Complete Chapter One of the *LSAT Logic Games Bible Workbook*.

#### Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapters Fourteen and Fifteen of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. 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 Chapters Nine and Ten of <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training</u> to reinforce those questions 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.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Nine of the *LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible* on Common Passage Themes.
- Complete the rest of Chapter One: Practice Drills in the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible Workbook</u> (if you used this resource as suggested last week, this means beginning with the Passage Elements and Formations Recognition Drill). Note, again, that this is not necessary if you are feeling comfortable with your Reading Comprehension performance at this point.
- Complete Chapter Nine in *LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training* if you have not already done so. If you have finished Chapter Nine in the Type Training guide, there are no additional Reading Comprehension assignments for this week.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 58, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as a timed exercise. Use Section 2 from PrepTest 52 as an experimental section.
- Take PrepTest 59, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as a timed exercise. Use Section 3 from PrepTest 52 as an experimental section.

Week 6 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
LGB Ch9		
LGB Ch10		
LGTT Ch8		
LGBW Ch1		
LRB Ch14		
LRTT Ch9		
LRB Ch15		
LRTT Ch10		
RCB Ch9		
RCBW Ch1		
RCTT Ch9		
PrepTest 58		
PrepTest 59		

# Week 7: Six weeks to the LSAT



At this point you have reviewed a number of the major concepts, so timing starts to take a greater role in your preparation.

#### Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapters Sixteen through Twenty of the *Logical Reasoning Bible*. At this point you have encountered all of the question types, and all that is left is a discussion of Principle questions (not a distinct "type" per se, but rather a commonly-featured idea), and a final analysis of Section Strategy and Time Management.
- Complete Chapter One of the LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible Workbook.
- Complete Chapters Eleven through Fourteen of *LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training*.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Read Chapter Ten of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u>. This discussion of Section Strategy and Time Management will take you to the end of the Reading Bible's conceptual analyses.
- Complete Chapter One in <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training</u>. You will notice that you are working through the chapters out of order, but this is intentional to reflect the skills learned in the Reading Comprehension Bible.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest B from the <u>SuperPrep</u> as a timed exercise. Thereafter, review your performance and read the question explanations in the <u>SuperPrep</u>. You do not need to add an experimental section to this exam. You should instead attempt all four sections consecutively (no breaks), and upon completion you should consider the accompanying explanations and your specific performance in terms of the skills you have been learning, and attempt to go beyond the test maker's discussions as you analyze your results.
- Take PrepTest 60, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as a timed exercise. Use Section 4 from PrepTest 52 as an experimental section.

#### Logic Games

• You have no specific Logic Games assignments for this week. However we do strongly encourage you to review your practice test thoroughly, so you will have several games to consider there.

Week 7 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
LRB Ch16		
LRB Ch17		
LRB Ch18		
LRB Ch19		
LRB Ch20		
LRBW Ch1		
LRTT Ch11		
LRTT Ch12		
LRTT Ch13		
LRTT Ch14		
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RCB Ch10		
RCTT Ch1		
SuperPrep B		
PrepTest 60		

# Week 8: Five weeks to the LSAT



#### Logical Reasoning

- Read Chapters Twenty One and Twenty Two of the <u>Logical Reasoning Bible</u>. This will take you to the end
  of this book, however be sure to return to it frequently as you continue to take tests and identify areas of
  weakness. For instance, if you find that a particular question type or idea consistently gives you trouble,
  use the Reasoning Bible to review that concept/type and attempt to eliminate any remaining difficulties.
- Complete Chapters Sixteen and Seventeen of <u>LSAT Logical Reasoning: Question Type Training</u>. Here you will encounter questions focusing on Conditional and Causal Reasoning.
- Complete Chapter Two of the LSAT Logical Reasoning Bible Workbook.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Complete Chapters Two, Three, and Four in *LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training*.
- Also complete the individual passages in Chapter Two of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u> <u>Workbook</u>, as carefully review the detailed analysis given for each.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest C from the <u>SuperPrep</u> as a timed exercise. As with PrepTests A and B, you do not need to add an experimental section to this exam. You should instead attempt all four sections consecutively (no breaks), and upon completion you should consider the accompanying explanations and your specific performance in terms of the skills you have been learning, and attempt to go beyond the test maker's discussions as you analyze your results.
- Take PrepTest 61, found in the <u>10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as a timed exercise. Use Section 1 from PrepTest 53 as an experimental section.

#### Logic Games

• You have no specific Logic Games assignments for this week. However we do strongly encourage you to review your practice tests thoroughly, so you will have several games to consider there.

Week 8 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
LRB Ch21		
LRB Ch22		
LRTT Ch16		
LRTT Ch17		
LRBW Ch2		
RCTT Ch2		
RCTT Ch3		
RCTT Ch4		
RCBW Ch2		
SuperPrep C		
PrepTest 61		

# Week 9: Four weeks to the LSAT

The focus now moves to working through as many tests as possible under timed conditions, in order to acclimate you to the rigors of the LSAT. 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.

#### Reading Comprehension

- Complete Chapters Five and Six in *LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training*.
- Complete the entire Passage ReChallenge section of the <u>LSAT Reading Comprehension Bible</u> doing each ReChallenge Set as a timed exercise. Thoroughly review the explanations.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 66, found in the <u>10 Actual</u>, <u>Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, <u>Volume V</u>, as a timed exercise. Use sections 1 and 2 from PrepTest 62 as two experimental sections, in order to "overdrive" your testing. After taking six-section tests, the real five-section LSAT won't seem quite as exhausting: you are essentially preparing yourself for test day by doing more than what is required, so that when you take the actual five-section exam you are physically and mentally conditioned in excess of what is need.
- Take PrepTest 67, found in the <u>10 Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V</u>, as a timed exercise. Use sections 3 and 4 from PrepTest 62 as two experimental sections.
- Take PrepTest 68, found in the <u>10 Actual</u>, <u>Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, <u>Volume V</u>, as an <u>untimed</u> exercise. Do not add any experimental sections to this test. Focus on accuracy, and carefully review the mistakes you've made. When speed is taken out of the equation, any mistakes you make will point to specific weaknesses that you still need to work on.

#### Logical Reasoning

• You have no specific Logical Reasoning assignments for this week.

#### Logic Games

• You have no specific Logic Games assignments for this week.

		Week 9 Assignments
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
RCTT Ch5		
RCTT Ch6		
RCB ReChallenge		
PrepTest 66		
PrepTest 67		
PrepTest 68		
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# Week 10: Three weeks to the LSAT

#### Reading Comprehension

- Complete Chapters Seven and Eight in *LSAT Reading Comprehension: Passage Type Training*.
- Work through the full Reading Comprehension sections in Chapters Three and Four of the <u>LSAT Reading</u> <u>Comprehension Bible Workbook</u>, and thoroughly review the explanations provided for each.

#### Logic Games

• If Games continue to trouble you, complete the first half of Chapter Two of the <u>LSAT Logic Games Bible</u> <u>Workbook</u>. 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.

#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 69, found in the <u>10 Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V</u>, as a timed exercise. Use sections 1 and 2 from PrepTest 63 as two experimental sections.
- Take PrepTest 70, found in the <u>10 Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V</u>, as a timed exercise. Use sections 3 and 4 from PrepTest 63 as two experimental sections.
- Take PrepTest 71, found in the <u>10 Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V</u>, as an untimed exercise. Do not add any experimental sections to this test.

#### Logical Reasoning

• You have no specific Logical Reasoning assignments for this week.

Week 10 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
RCTT Ch7		
RCTT Ch8		
RCBW Ch3		
RCBW Ch4		
LGBW Ch2		
PrepTest 69		
PrepTest 70		
PrepTest 71		

# Week 11: Two weeks to the LSAT



#### Practice Tests

- Take PrepTest 72 as a timed exercise. Use sections 1 and 2 from PrepTest 64, found in the 10 Actual, • Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V, as two experimental sections.
- Take PrepTest 73 as a timed exercise. Use sections 3 and 4 from PrepTest 64, found in the 10 Actual, ٠ Official LSAT PrepTests, Volume V, as two experimental sections.
- ٠ Take PrepTest 74 as a timed exercise. Use sections 3 and 4 from PrepTest 54, found in the 10 New Actual, Official LSAT PrepTests, as two experimental sections.

#### Logical Reasoning

• You have no specific Logical Reasoning assignments for this week.

#### Logic Games

• You have no specific Logic Games assignments for this week.

#### Reading Comprehension

You have no specific Reading Comprehension assignments for this week. ٠

Week 11 Assignments		
Assignment	Completed?	Notes
PrepTest 72		
PrepTest 73		
PrepTest 74		

Notes:


# Week 12: 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.

#### Logic Games

• If Games continue to trouble you, complete the second half of Chapter Two of the <u>LSAT Logic Games</u> <u>Bible Workbook</u>. 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.

#### Practice Tests

- Take <u>PrepTest 75</u> as a timed exercise. Use sections 1 and 2 from PrepTest 65, found in the <u>10 Actual</u>, <u>Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, <u>Volume V</u>, as two experimental sections.
- Take <u>PrepTest 76</u> as a timed exercise. Use sections 3 and 4 from PrepTest 65, found in the <u>10 Actual</u>, <u>Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, <u>Volume V</u>, as two experimental sections.
- Take <u>PrepTest 77</u> as a timed exercise. Use sections 2 and 3 from PrepTest 53, found in the <u>10 New Actual</u>, <u>Official LSAT PrepTests</u>, as two experimental sections.

#### Other

Watch the Virtual Module on <u>Test Mentality at our Free Help Area—Free Lessons</u> page. Focus on establishing a confident mindset in the days prior to the LSAT, and be sure to follow the specific recommendations in that discussion!

- There are several worthwhile articles discussing important issues beyond conceptual and mental preparation, such as the administration of the LSAT itself (and what you can bring with you), and how to prepare yourself physically for the test with proper diet and nutrition:
  - What can you bring to the test center?

Answer: http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/what-can-you-bring-to-the-lsat

• What are the best things to eat and drink the week prior to the exam?

Answer: http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/334147/Thought-for-Food-Eating-Your-Way-to-a-180

- Further, as we have discussed, your mindset and attitude play a tremendous role in your ultimate performance, so you need to spend the days leading up to the LSAT establishing the proper mentality. The following articles are designed to help you get into the ideal frame of mind:
  - How to walk into the LSAT and destroy it!
     <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/347184/How-to-Walk-into-the-LSAT-and-Destroy-It</u>
  - LSAT anxiety and the power of positive thinking!

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/346962/LSAT-Anxiety-and-the-Power-of-Positive-Thinking

• How to "hack" your brain for improved performance!

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/341968/LSAT-Test-Mentality-Upgrade-Your-Brain

• Finally, on <u>the day before the LSAT</u>, relax! Do something that makes you happy and don't worry about the LSAT. 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!

#### Logical Reasoning

• You have no specific Logical Reasoning assignments for this week.

#### Reading Comprehension

• You have no specific Reading Comprehension assignments for this week.

Week 12 Assignments					
Assignment	Completed?	Notes			
LGBW Ch2					
PrepTest 75					
PrepTest 76					
PrepTest 77					
Test Mentality					

# The day of the LSAT:

You want this day to be as predictable and distraction-free as possible, do everything that you can to stay calm, focused, and above all, positive!

- Eat a wholesome breakfast.
- Perhaps review a Logic Game or a few Logical Reasoning questions to get your brain revved up. These can even be games/questions you've attempted previously! Just keep it to a minimum, and stay confident at all times!
- Get to the testing center early. It may also be wise to visit the site a few days prior to the test if you are unfamiliar with the location, so you can get a sense of parking and general layout.
- Destroy the LSAT!

# 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:

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

Answers:

A brief overview: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/153514/the-lsat-experimental-section</u>

Dispelling some common myths: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/three-myths-about-the-lsat-experimental-section</u>

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

Answers:

Cancellations, Withdrawals, and Absences—a discussion of the differences:

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/223266/LSAT-cancellations-withdrawals-absences-What-s-thedifference

How to determine if canceling is the correct decision:

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/231208/Should-you-cancel-your-October-2012-LSAT-score

How schools view multiple cancellations:

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/327906/How-do-law-schools-view-one-two-or-more-LSATcancellations How to cancel your score:

http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/bid/171507/How-Do-You-Cancel-Your-LSAT-Score

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

Answer:

Retaking the LSAT: <u>http://blog.powerscore.com/lsat/should-you-retake-the-lsat</u>

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

If you would like to save the Performance Tracking pages separately, please download them here.

# 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/ Question	Question Type	Question #/ Page #	Correct Answer	l Chose	What Happened?

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# **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/ Question	Question Type	Question #/ Page #	Correct Answer	l Chose	What Happened?

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