

# Graduate Record Exam General Test Features

GRE General Test Section:	Analytical Writing	Verbal Reasoning	Quantitative Reasoning
<p><b>Computer adaptive <i>by section</i></b> (second section's difficulty level is determined by correctness of first section)</p> <p><b>No penalty for wrong answers</b></p> <p><b>Test Preparation software:</b> PowerPrep II: <a href="http://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/prepare">http://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/prepare</a></p> <p><b>When and where do you take it?</b> Offered only on computer in the US.</p> <p>Testing centers and universities</p> <p>Offered 6 days per week throughout the year</p> <p>Limited to once per 21 days</p> <p>Scores last 5 years</p> <p><b>For more information,</b> see <a href="http://www.ets.org/gre">www.ets.org/gre</a> or <a href="http://www.takethegre.com">www.takethegre.com</a></p>	<p><b>Structure:</b> 2 essay questions</p> <p><b>Question Types:</b> Issues essay: 30 minutes (only one option)</p> <p>Argument essay: 30 minutes (only one option)</p> <p><b>Answer Format:</b> Type into notepad word processor (only allows you to cut, paste, insert and delete text)</p> <p><b>Score Scale:</b> 0 - 6 (1/2 pt. increments) Mean: 4.1</p>	<p><b>Structure:</b> 2 sections: 20 questions in 30 minutes</p> <p><b>Question Types:</b> Sentence Equivalents</p> <p>Text completions</p> <p>Reading Comprehension: Arts Social Sciences Natural Sciences</p> <p><b>Answer Formats:</b> Choose best of 5 options Choose all that apply Highlight sentence from text</p> <p><b>Score Scale:</b> 130 - 170 (1 pt. increments) Mean: 151</p>	<p><b>Structure:</b> 2 sections: 20 questions in 35 minutes; on-screen calculator</p> <p><b>Question Types:</b> Quantitative comparisons,  Problem solving,  Numeric Entry</p> <p>Emphasis on real-life scenarios and data interpretation</p> <p><b>Question Topics:</b> Arithmetic      Algebra Geometry      Data analysis</p> <p><b>Answer Formats:</b> Choose best of 5 options Choose all that apply Numeric entry</p> <p><b>Score Scale:</b> 130 - 170 (1 pt. increments) Mean: 152</p>