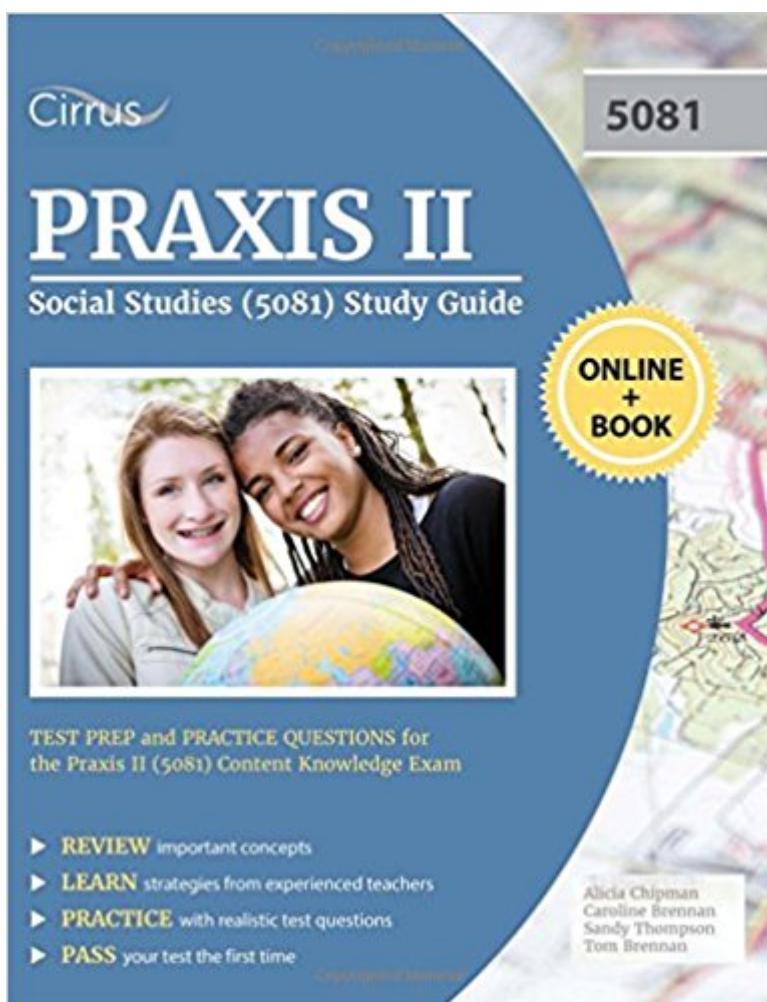


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Customer Reviews

I purchased this study guide two months before I took the exam in Social Studies. I studied for a month, took notes, and took the practice exams. I passed the test on the first try. This is a great resource and helped me a lot.

Excellent study source if you are planning on taking the Praxis 2 (5081) Social Studies exam. Extremely useful, well worth the investment!

Has a good summary of the entire history of the world, but not practical when it comes to what the actual Praxis looks like. Honestly, your best bet is to buy the practice test on ets.org. It's in the same format of the test questions, and you don't have to read hundreds of pages to get the gist, like I had to with this book.

The information in this book is well organized and presented very concisely, there's no "fluff" or unnecessary text. A lot of key terms are bolded throughout, which makes it easy to skim through topics and review things you aren't familiar with. The practice tests are also a pretty accurate sample of what to expect. A few minor downsides are some typos/errors. For example, I believe they had a graph of supply and demand but labeled the lines wrong (so quantity demanded increased as price increased, which is wrong). I did very well on the actual exam and used this book and crash course videos (free on youtube). As a little disclaimer though, I had a solid background in all the

topics except geography.

There are a lot of errors in this study guide. Most of them are simple grammar mistakes or maps incorrectly labeled, but some of them are confusing and misleading if you do not already know the material. I'm studying the government section right now and it says that "The president serves a term of 4 years and may be re-elected up to two times." No, the president may be elected up to two times, but only RE-elected once. I'm not even halfway through this study guide and there are lots of these types of errors. If you already know the material and this is just a review then this will make a fine purchase for studying, just be aware that there are a lot of mistakes.

Totally Flawless

I haven't taken the test yet, but this study book seems like it will be very helpful.

My initial thoughts, as I just finished the U.S. section, of the guide are leaning more towards the negative. In reading the text there are so many grammatical and syntactical errors that it became distracting to concentrate on the subject matter, every page or so seemed to have an error or two - i.e. formatting, semicolons adjoining an indirect clause to a direct clause, sentence fragments, spelling errors, capitalization errors, etc. I also found that topics would be introduced and then reintroduced a page, sometimes a paragraph, later. I even found graphs that had errors. While this may not be a big deal to some, my expectations were to not have to re-read material to dissect the context of the subject matter. Someone needs to have a crucial conversation with the editor! While completely subjective, I was curious as to why some subject matter was given greater detail while some seemed to be "glossed over" or omitted completely. I understand that the writers need to be judicious in the selection of the material, as they are writing for the exam, I just found some sections odd.

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