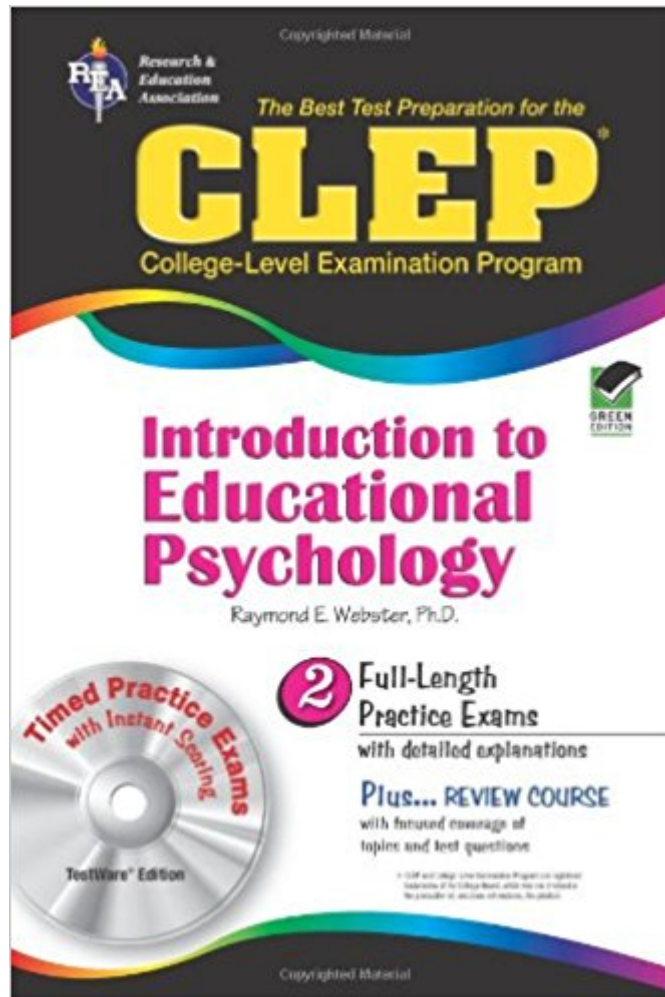


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NOT prepare you for this test.

Just scored 73/80 after studying 5 days total. No prior knowledge of psychology (well, I took it in HS 16 yrs ago). I purchased this book the night before taking the Intro to Psych CLEP exam. I had been studying InstantCert.com for about 4 days prior. This book was an excellent supplement to the information I had learned on InstantCert. The InstantCert info was like building the knowledge base with facts and concepts. Then this REA book took all those facts and tied them all together in a readable format that solidified the entire subject. It was a fast read - about 2 hours for 100 pages. The practice tests are instrumental in performing well on the CLEP. Do those tests until you get the answers right and have a good understanding of those answers.

Really good book...I didn't know I had to take a CLEP until a week before the exam, so I rushed out and grabbed this book. I studied it for about 2 hours a day for 5 days, as well as did questions in the back and in the official CLEP study guide. I took the exam this morning and passed. It has everything you need to know for the exam =)

I studied this book over the past few days and passed the exam today with a 69/80 (50 is passing). It covers almost everything on the exam and it's a quick and easy read. I would definitely recommend buying the Intro to Psych book and taking that exam first because this exam builds upon many of the same topics.

I studied for a month and took the practice tests about four times before taking the CLEP exam. I felt confident going in, but there was so much on the test that I did not know and was not covered in the book, nor was it covered in the CLEP practice tests. Also, there were some things on the CLEP practice exams that were not in the book either! I was so scared, but I did pass. I would say this book is helpful, but you should supplement with other resources as well. Maybe the tests are different by region or institution, but mine was a close call. Bottom line, this book should not be your be all and end all.

My SOP when it comes to studying for CLEP exams has so far been to use the REA book for the associated exam plus the official guide practice exam and any other practice exams I can get my hands on. So far I have passed every CLEP exam I have taken--Introduction to Educational Psychology being no exception. I have more DSSTs to take, but only one more CLEP exam, and so

far I am thrilled. This book is definitely worth it. Great content that was on the exam, and great practice exams as well. One thing to beware of though, is that the scoring is off on the practice exams on the CDs (which, I believe are the same as those in the book). I called/emailed and confirmed this with REA. The practice exams work just fine, but look up your scoring in the table in the book because it is accurate and the CD scoring is off. Other than that, this is a great product and I have gotten great results with it!

I passed the Intro. to Educational Clep test with room to spare. The REA Clep book doesn't cover EVERYTHING, but it does cover the IMPORTANT concepts. The actual clep exam is only 100 questions, so forget the minute details and focus on the BIG topics! Be able to apply information to those topics, not just recite the definition. I did have previous experience with psychology courses. This book probably won't get you an impressive score of 100%, but with enough rehearsal, it will get you to pass. Best of luck!

If you're looking to pass the CLEP and need to cram in all that information quickly- this is the book for you. I studied for a week with about an hour every night, took the practice tests and passed on my first try.

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