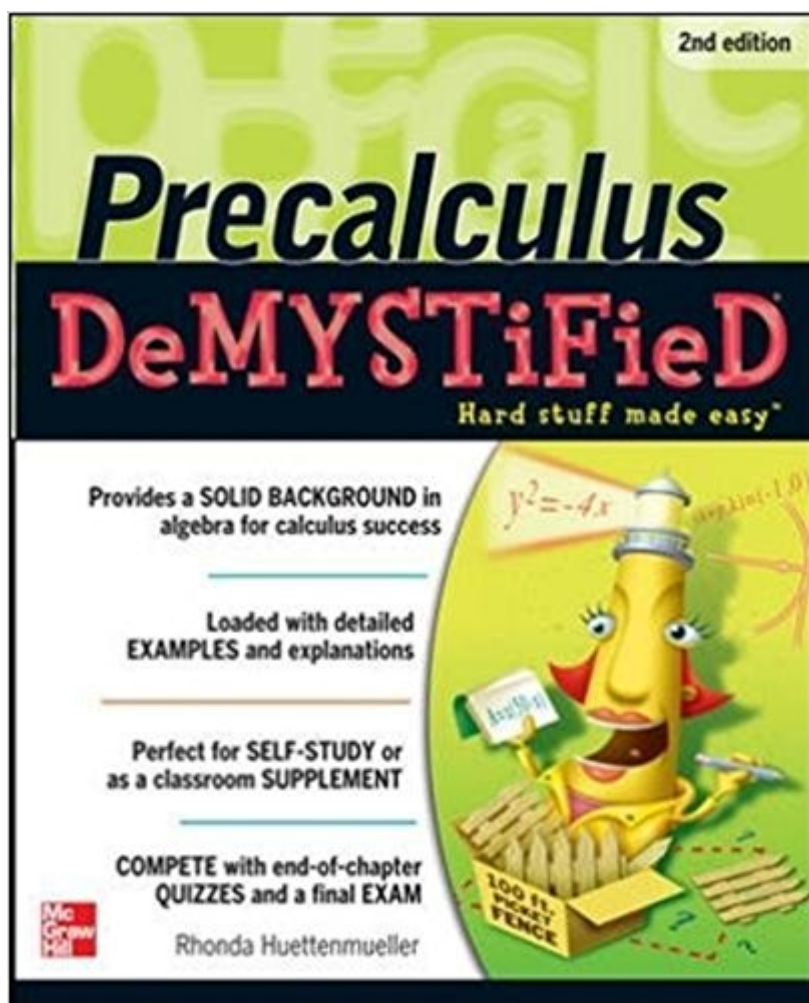




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# Pre-calculus Demystified, Second Edition



## Synopsis

Your step-by-step solution to mastering precalculus Understanding precalculus often opens the door to learning more advanced and practical math subjects, and can also help satisfy college requisites. Precalculus Demystified, Second Edition, is your key to mastering this sometimes tricky subject. This self-teaching guide presents general precalculus concepts first, so you'll ease into the basics. You'll gradually master functions, graphs of functions, logarithms, exponents, and more. As you progress, you'll also conquer topics such as absolute value, nonlinear inequalities, inverses, trigonometric functions, and conic sections. Clear, detailed examples make it easy to understand the material, and end-of-chapter quizzes and a final exam help reinforce key ideas. It's a no-brainer! You'll learn about: Linear questions Functions Polynomial division The rational zero theorem Logarithms Matrix arithmetic Basic trigonometry Simple enough for a beginner but challenging enough for an advanced student, Precalculus Demystified, Second Edition, Second Edition, helps you master this essential subject.

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Rhonda Huettenmueller has been teaching college mathematics for more than 20 years. She regularly teaches algebra, college algebra, and pre-calculus courses, along with more specialized versions of the classes for business students. Rhonda is the author of Algebra Demystified, McGraw-Hill's most successful Demystified book to date, College Algebra Demystified, and

## Business Calculus Demystified.

I wished I would have gotten this book last year during the fall semester 2014 I would have passed and not gotten an F, I could not pass any test during the fall semester no matter how hard I study I could not remember. Even though I order this book 21 days before Spring 2015 finals, and 13 days after the last test before the final (which I had failed with a 52). This book had help me such a great deal. That I did pass the final, and I pass the class with a C. Had I purchased this but during the semester, I would have had pass this class with an "A". The college give ever everyone a study package exam for the final, I used this to study along with my package exam, even those who were high up in the class did not understand the study package for the final, when I start explaining at least 50 question of the finals, pulled out my note book, and showing the step by step how to do each question, some comments were., "You are going to do very well on this final." Word to the wise, if your college give you a study package for the final, study that package, go on youtube, get many idiot, dummy books. 90% of those question from the package is on the final. This is a must have book if you have never had college algebra/algebra in high school.

Quite excellent. I had just obtained a 96 in my college Precalculus class before reading this book, and I still learned a great deal more than my university had covered. The topics are well explained with respect to College Algebra level knowledge. If your foundation is shaky you will find yourself having to do quite minimal additional study from free resources online to fully grasp the material. Once you DO grasp the explanations, on the other hand, this book is absolutely magnificent. It is thorough, well structured, and provides an appropriate amount of review problems for each topic covered. I thoroughly recommend you give this book a try, regardless of whether or not you intend on taking a Precalculus class at your university. You will breeze through to an easy A if you do, and otherwise you will find yourself in a good position to ace a placement test and skip over Precalculus.

What a terrific book, to use as a text-book, as a self-study resource, or as enrichment material for a teacher involved in teaching this course! The writing is clear, examples numerous and interesting, graphs plentiful and carefully done. The Kindle version is a \$10 bargain, which I bought. The print copy is likely a bargain also. The links are active, so you can move from one section to another easily. The table of contents and the index pages take you where you want to go with a single click. I plan to use this to help me teach a course in pre-calculus math at the college level. The examples and tests will greatly help my preparation. I see that there are dozens of "Demystified" offerings, and

with this example, I am likely to buy one on another topic as well. Congratulations to the author and her publisher.

This book is super clear and easy to understand. I had not taken a math course in almost 20 years, but am going back to school and needed to take an entrance exam. I am happy to say that with this book, I got a 91!! I have never enjoyed math, but I thought this book was (gasp!) fun. Highly recommended! It goes through all the algebra I'd forgotten, and even covers Trig (which I didn't get to, but it didn't hurt me on the test). Thanks to this book, I'll probably save a grand in money for elementary math courses I won't have to take!

This is next on my precalculus odyssey. I'm reviewing Geometry and Trig and Euclid before tackling calculus, which I never took in college. Stopped at Algebra and Trig and always regretted it. So now that I'm 80 yr old, I think it is about time I get on with it.

I am in my 30s and recently went back to school to earn a BSc in computer science. The programming is easy, but as someone who has not used math in a classroom setting for over a decade, I needed help before I tackled the required calculus courses. This book has helped me get back up to speed. The author is clear and presents ideas as simply as possible, without being condescending or dumbing it down too much. There are plenty of practice problems. It is quite thorough. I can't really fault it in any way. If you're willing to put in the effort, you can master the material presented in this book.

My son is so happy with this book. He's taking an online course without teacher leadership and the concept of matrices was really perplexing him to the point of a headache. I had gotten this book and the Complete Idiot's Guide to Precalculus as support materials and he said the matrices chapter in this was able to instantly clear up something that had perplexed him for the past hour. Worth it just for that boost.

My son uses this everyday!

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