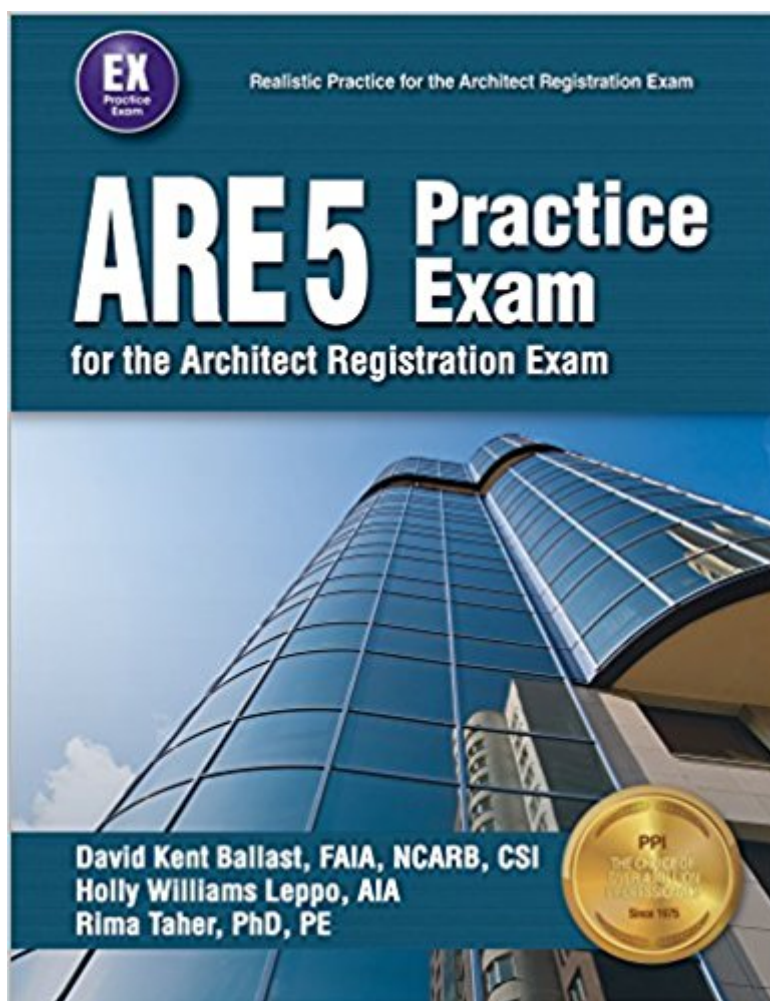




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# ARE 5 Practice Exam For The Architect Registration Exam



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- effectively familiarize yourself with the exam scope and format
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- successfully connect relevant theory to exam-like problems
- efficiently navigate through exam-adopted codes and standards
- confidently solve problems under timed conditions

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- Project Planning & Design
- Project Development & Documentation
- Construction & Evaluation

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DO NOT BUY THIS BOOK. The Ballast ARE 5.0 review manual and associated practice problems and practice exams are absolutely terrible. They're FULL of editing mistakes, spelling errors, missing words, and erroneous information. The Practice Exams and Practice Problems books are full of terribly worded questions, questions that don't apply to the topics covered by the exam division, and questions that rely on obscure and unrelated assumptions which would never be on the actual exams. Many questions say "choose 4 that apply" and when you go to the solutions to review your answers, you find that there are only 3 correct solutions. These materials make it HARDER to study for the exam divisions because they have so many confusing and poorly worded practice questions. One of the Practice problem sections titled "Contracts" started with a question about the selection of an HVAC system for a given project. Unacceptable. These books are not worth the hundreds of dollars they're charging. It's clear the company rushed them to market to be the first study guide available for the new exam format but in doing so they published a horrible resource FULL of errors. This is unacceptable for the amount they charge and the statement that their books are "comprehensive" study materials.

PcM: contradicting information and oddly phrased questions.

Half of the questions are repeats from the 4.0 material. Glad I was able to get a copy cheap or I

would have been very annoyed to have paid for the same material twice.

It's interesting to read the recent reviews and see that, after all these years, these Ballast books still have multiple errors. I bought my set way back in the early 90's when I was studying for the ARE, and passed it successfully in one year. I found the books to be very helpful BUT, was frustrated by the number of errors and typos and incorrect answers to some of the structural questions way back then too. At that time, and easy access to the internet did not exist so there was no avenue to write a review like this. IMO, it's pretty pathetic and sloppy work on the part of the author and editors that, 25 years later, there are still apparently numerous errors in them. In spite of my frustrations with the books, I still found them helpful, thus, 3 stars.

Worst textbook I have ever purchased. This book is full of errors. Filled with poorly phrased questions, typos and mistakes. the editor failed miserably on this publication. The material does not align with the exam. I strongly discourage anyone from purchasing this book. I passed 3 test on ARE 4.0 studying with Ballast, but they have completely dropped the ball on their ARE 5.0 publications.

The Ballast study guides are a good base for preparing for the ARE exams, but just using the three books, this, the practice problems book, and the study guide ARE NOT ENOUGH to help you pass the exams. You will need other information to supplement with these books. I have take three of the exams and I thought that the wording of the questions in this book are pretty close to what you will find on the actual exam. The one exam that I did pass the first try I had other study material to go along with them.

questions are not even close to exam questions.

The exam for practice management is terrible.

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