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# **Barron's E-Z Precalculus**





## Synopsis

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### **Book Information**

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This is an excellent book. Just be prepared to supplement the lessons with online material from youtube, etc., lessons from an instructor, or something of the like. The book does make it EZ, however, if it has been a decade or so since going over more difficult concepts, you may need some extra help to fill in the gaps. There are a few pages of practice problems after each section, which helps cement in the concepts of the chapters, however, the answer key does not give you the work to the problems. So, be prepared to figure out on your own where you went wrong. As with most things, you get out what you put in. I was very pleased with my purchase.

This is a great book! I took it out of my local library to help me in my waste-of-time precalc class, and I fell in love with it. It has very clear and concise explanations, is user-friendly, provides good practice problems, and is mathematically sound. Unfortunately, the person I ordered it from on sent me an Accounting book instead, which I plan to return. Very disappointed in the seller.

Clear, concise, and fast! I love it. I'm studying for from it without any extra instruction and it is totally adequate as a standalone curriculum.

After much success with other books in the Barron's EZ series, I was hoping this would be another slam-dunk resource for my personal library. I had two students whom I was tutoring beginning Precalculus/Trigonometry and bought this to supplement their text with additional practice problems. It proved to be less than worthwhile, as the topics they reviewed were generally beyond those covered in this text. This was more geared toward their Algebra 2 curriculum. Hopefully I can use it with future students.

Here's the thing about this book...it teaches you from the ground up to bring you up to speed and is wonderful for doing that!The only problem is that there are an amazing amount of incorrect answers in the back that I found it quite frustrating when I tried to verify I was 'getting' the conceptsI really wish someone would create a edited version of this book as I would buy that!

The text is clear and the illustrations are helpful. A TI graphing calculator is needed. We've found a

couple errors that will hopefully be corrected in future editions. The chapter end problems are fairly difficult and time consuming. Overall, I would rate it a B+.

So I'm going into my precalculus class and i wanted a leg up so i bought this to study over summer break, I haven't finished it and i haven't worked on it much, but it's explanations are clear and the questions at the end of each chapter is good review over what i just looked and are difficult enough to make me think, even if it's Algebra II review.

It sums up precalculus material pretty well, but if you're looking for in depth content this is not your go to book.

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