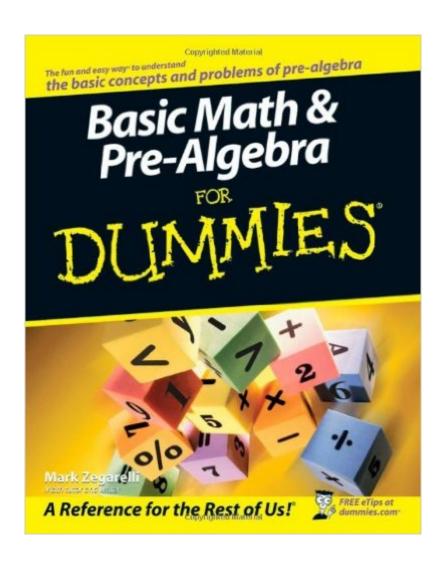
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About me. I graduated in 1981 with a B.S. Degree, mainly liberal arts and have spent my time since then in sales. Back in the day IF had any great love or even a smidgen of natural ability in math then I would today be saying that I have spent the last 30 years in the medical technology field, not sales. But alas, if you are weak in math then forget science. Well finally I have decided to face down the beast and correct this shortcoming and have enrolled in algebra 101 class at my local community college. In order to avoid having to take a basic math or pre-algebra class in a college setting, spending tuition money and a semester of time, I decided to self-study pre-algebra and put maximum effort into doing well on the COMPASS placement test. I selected Basic Math & Pre-Algebra for Dummies as my "main text" for my math skills "review". Actually "review" is not a

good word, in my case I needed to start at the absolute beginning. I began my self-study 5 weeks prior to taking the COMPASS test and set aside a minimum of 1 hour per day for study. So to answer the burning question how did I do on the COMPASS test, I can say that I'm placed in beginning algebra with plenty of breathing room and I truly believe that if I had a little more time, say another 2-4 weeks I would have placed into intermediate algebra. However and remember, I have no great love for math and my purpose now is not to simply collect college credits but rather to truly gain an understanding of math in general and algebra in particular. I used this book along with the companion workbook for the first 4 weeks of my "review" and slowly the fog began to clear. In addition to this book, I used The Humongous Book of Basic Math & Pre-Algebra Problems by Michael Kelly and several internet COMPASS prep sites.

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